Modesto has several interesting residential areas with houses in a wide variety of architectural styles. This 2.5 mile tour, which can be done by biking or walking, will take you through parts of downtown and the early 20th century Wisecarver and Coldwell developments. Most of the houses are from the 1920s. The tour includes several of Modesto’s famous storybook houses probably designed by Oakland architect William Raymond Yelland in the 1920s. The tour also includes the homes of two famous 20th century artists who spent their early years in Modesto; James Broughton, award winning movie maker and poet; and Richard L. Bare, director of TV and movies.

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