

Wallace Neff, Architect Airform Construction, 1946



1097 S. Los Robles Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91106

The Andrew Neff House, 1946, is the only remaining example in the United States of architect Wallace Neff's futurist Airform-constructed residences. While the structure was wildly controversial in conservative Pasadena when it was built, it has stood the test of time, and continues to provide a warm, comfortable and contemporary living environment.

Shortly after his purchase in the late 1990's, artist Steve Roden hired architect William Merzbach to expand the existing garage into a thousand square-foot studio which incorporates an office, bath, and the laundry.

Additionally, during the "Duck & Cover" atomic bomb scare days, an Airform bomb shelter was built 15 feet underground. It is said that the shelter "was designed to accommodate a family of four to five based on the standards established by the Office of Civil Defense." Today, this space offers the potential to become a world-class wine cellar.

The buildings are carefully sited at the northwest corner of Los Robles Avenue and Wallis Street on a generous parcel providing space for ample gated parking, mature gardens, two outdoor patios, and a view of the San Gabriel Mountains.

Includes open-plan living area, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, office, laundry and studio.

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