

Home of the Week: Bel-Air home by Richard Neutra is polished to perfection

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Outside, lush landscaping. Inside: contemporary finishes that mesh with the architect's vision.
(Jim Bartsch)

Known as the Hammerman Residence, this Richard Neutra-designed home expands on its modernist roots with a mix of sleek and contemporary notes that start at the floating staircase beyond the front door. Eye-catching elements include chrome countertops in the kitchen and a stainless-steel-finished fireplace that runs from floor to ceiling in the living room. Adjacent to the fireplace is a sliding wood wall that conceals a wet bar.

The details

Location: 201 Bentley Circle, Bel-Air, 90049

Asking price: \$13.5 million

Year built: 1954

House size: 4,315 square feet, four bedrooms, four bathrooms

The Hammerman Residence, set at the end of a steep driveway in Bel-Air, was designed by Modernist architect Richard Neutra and built in 1954. Listed for \$13.5 million, the two-story home features walls of windows centered on westward views extending as far as the ocean. A

sliding wall partition hides a wet bar in the living room, which has doors leading outside to the swimming pool. (Jim Bartsch)

Features: Clean lines; walls of floor-to-ceiling windows; custom built-ins; Crestron home automation; steel floating staircase; hidden wet bar; living room with chrome wall fireplace; updated kitchen with chrome-topped island; formal dining room; family room; updated master suite bathroom; swimming pool; lush landscaping; jetliner views

About the area: In the 90049 ZIP Code, based on 30 sales, the median sales price for single-family homes in November was \$3.084 million, according to CoreLogic. That was a 5.7% increase in median price year over year.

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