



Earl Smith, flanked by brothers Rae and Henry, looks over a scale model of one of his company's flat-tops, 1954. Courtesy of the Smith Archive

The El Cerrito Historical Society presents:

Modernism for the Masses: Master Builder Earl 'Flat Top' Smith.

Right after World War II Earl Smith began building modern flat topped houses in El Cerrito and was soon building these low cost homes statewide, though he remained based in our city. He won national fame for his houses and as a proponent of housing for all – including African-Americans. He built Parchester Village for the black community in unincorporated Richmond. Learn Smith's story from author **Dave Weinstein** and his children, **Duncan Smith, Geoff Smith, and Noel Schuurman**. Co-sponsored by the Richmond Museum of History.

2 p.m. Sunday, July 12, 2020 at the El Cerrito Community Center,
7007 Moeser Lane, El Cerrito. Free

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