

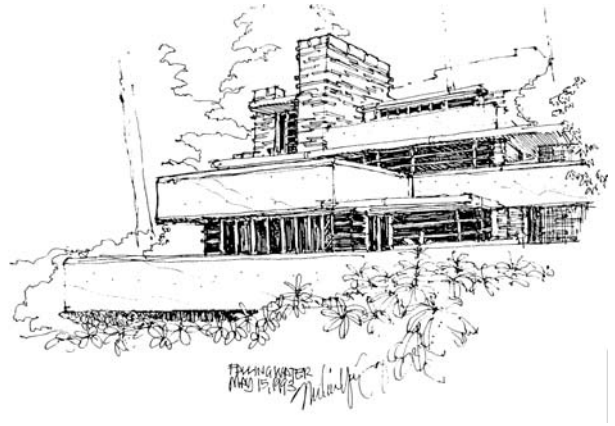
FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT'S FALLINGWATER AN AMERICAN TREASURE



TEACHER'S GUIDE

**FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT'S FALLINGWATER:
AN AMERICAN TREASURE**

TEACHER'S GUIDE



Introduction

Fallingwater was created by Frank Lloyd Wright as a declaration that in nature man finds his spiritual as well as his physical energies, that a harmonious response to nature yields the poetry and joy that nourish human living. ---- Edgar Kaufmann, jr.

We hope this guide will provide you with information and inspiration for creating classroom activities about Fallingwater. Inside, you'll find plenty of information on Fallingwater and some suggested classroom activities as inspiration for developing your own.

Like our late patron, Wright scholar Edgar Kaufmann, jr., we feel that personal contact with this masterpiece as irreplaceable. Mr. Kaufmann once said that "Fallingwater is not an institution, it is a humane experience...." This guide presents activities that encourage you and your students to awaken your own senses to the architecture around you in order to heighten your own experience when you visit Fallingwater.

We also feel that it is important to connect you and your students with primary objects and resources. There is no better way to understand Fallingwater and Wright's ideals than to visit the house (which is a primary object). Similarly, there are few more memorable writings about Fallingwater than the comments from the architect who designed it and the family who live in it. So, we have also provided some tips in locating and using primary sources as a way to build understanding and appreciation of Fallingwater.

This guide continues to be a work in progress. I welcome your comments and suggestions. Please feel free to contact me at carmstrong@paconserve.org or at 724-329-1441 x 1100

Cara Armstrong
Curator of Education
Fallingwater