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Author of "Not So Big" book series speaks on Wright's inspiration

CHICAGO - Join Sarah Susanka, author of *The Not So Big House*, in a lecture about how architects are inspired and how their designs affect the world around them.

Susanka, who is known for her "build better, not bigger" philosophy, has drawn inspiration from the spatial genius of the work of Frank Lloyd Wright, and has become known for giving language to the experiencing of architecture. This new vocabulary helps describe how the third dimension (i.e. height) affects people, and docents of Mr. Wright's work will often use her terminology to explain why his designs affects us so deeply. Mr. Wright is often described as a master. In her presentation, Susanka will help us to understand an aspect of that mastery that is rarely recognized but is at the core of his work's power to move us.

A bestselling author, architect and cultural visionary, Susanka is leading a movement that is redefining the American home. Her "build better, not bigger" approach to residential design has been embraced across the country and her "Not So Big" philosophy has sparked international dialogue.

As a leading advocate for the re-popularization of residential architecture, Susanka has improved the quality of home design while countering the elitist image of architects so commonly held by the public.

Presented by the Frank Lloyd Wright Preservation Trust, the Susanka lecture will be held at 7 pm, on September 17, in the ballroom of the School of the Art Institute, 112 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago. Admission is $25 and tickets may be purchased at GoWright.org or at the door.

The Frank Lloyd Wright Preservation Trust engages the public in educational and aesthetic experiences to foster an appreciation of architecture, design and the legacy of Frank Lloyd Wright. The Preservation Trust presents two Wright structures as public historic architecture museums, his remarkable Home and Studio in Oak Park, Illinois and his Prairie style masterpiece, the Robie House in Chicago. The Preservation Trust is responsible for restoring and preserving the two Wright sites they manage, including the current multimillion dollar restoration of Wright's Robie House. More information on the many restoration, preservation and education programs of the Frank Lloyd Wright Preservation Trust can be found at GoWright.org.