## MONUMENTS OF ART DECO

TOURING THE MODERN ARGENTINIAN DESIGNS OF FRANCISCO SALAMONE BY KATHLEEN MURPHY SKOLNIK







Francisco Salamone was one of Argentina's most prolific and acclaimed architects of his country's turbulent Infamous Decade period of the 1930s. The pampas of rural east central Argentina may seem an unlikely location for the monumental Art Deco designs, but between 1936 and 1940, Salamone designed futuristic town halls, cemetery portals, and even slaughterhouses. His cosmopolitan design work blends stylistic influences ranging from Italian town halls of the late Medieval period to the visionary designs of the Italian Futurists of the early twentieth century. With his oeuvre and story little known outside of his home country, his works stand as awe-inspiring monuments to South American Art Deco waiting to be explored. Join art and architectural historian Kathleen Murphy Skolnik for this virtual tour of a sampling of Salamone's unique architectural masterpieces.





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