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Crest motel recognized as one of top ‘must-see’ buildings in state

WILDWOOD CREST – The Caribbean Motel in Wildwood Crest has been recognized as one of the Top 25 Must-See Buildings in New Jersey, as per USA Today Travel and the American Institute of Architects (AIA).

The designation was announced via a story published Wednesday, Jan. 31, on USAToday.com.

The Caribbean Motel, which is located at the corner of Buttercup Road and Ocean Avenue (5600 Ocean Avenue), was cited for its spectacular Doo Wop architecture. The Caribbean was built in 1957 and was recently renovated without losing its original popular appeal, which included angular elements, tropical themes and colors and bright neon signage. The Caribbean Motel has long been considered one of the iconic structures of the Wildwoods Doo Wop District, which is home to the largest concentration of preserved mid-20th century Doo Wop buildings in the country, according to a 2014 article published by nj.com.

According to the article published by USA Today, AIA chapters across the country were asked to name 25 structures visitors in their state should see. Also included on the list for New Jersey are the Statue of Liberty near Jersey City, Lucy the Elephant in Margate, the Emlen Physick House in Cape May and the Thomas A. Edison House in West Orange.

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