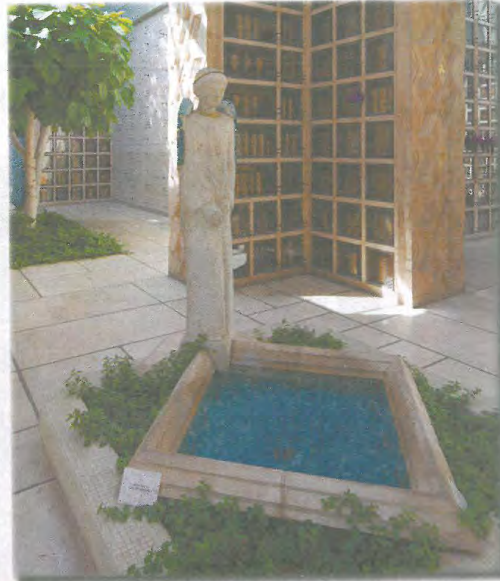


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Chapel of the Chimes Commemorates 85th Anniversary of Julia Morgan Mausoleum



Julia Morgan Mausoleum Fountain

OAKLAND, CA— Did you know renowned architect **Julia Morgan** designed a mausoleum? From obscure architectural feats such as El Campanil, the first bell tower on a U.S. college campus, to the famed

Hearst Castle, the bay area resident designed more than 700 buildings including **Chapel of the Chimes** in Oakland. This year, Chapel of the Chimes is adding 160 new cremation niches in honor of the 85th an-



The Julia Morgan Mausoleum

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niversary of Julia Morgan's re-design. An intricate labyrinth of cloisters and indoor gardens featuring natural stonework, fountains, delicate sculptures and mosaic tiled floors, Julia's unique touch elevated the Chapel to one of California's most beautiful buildings.

Originally a streetcar station, Chapel of the Chimes Oakland was transformed into the **California Memorial Crematorium and Columbarium** in 1909. Decades later, the property underwent another renaissance when it was expanded and revitalized by Julia Morgan from 1926 until 1928. After the dedication, Morgan continued on as an advisor, influencing both structural additions and decor.

"A designated historical landmark, the 85,000 square foot mausoleum houses more than 39,000 cremation niches. Due to its popularity, the Julia Morgan section has been practically sold out for years, which is why we've decided to introduce additional niches" said **Harley Forrey**, General Manager at Chapel of the Chimes Oakland. "The mausoleum is a sanctuary suspended in time where guests can take in a bit of history and celebrate Julia Morgan's incredible contribution to her hometown, the city of Oakland."

On January 20, 2013, Julia Morgan would have turned 142. Fifty-six years after her death, the famed architect is still remembered

not only known for her professional accomplishments but as a trailblazer for women's rights. Morgan was one of the first women to graduate with a degree in civil engineering from the *University of California*, the first woman to earn a *Certificat d'Architecture* from the *École des Beaux-Arts* in Paris and the first woman architect to be licensed in California. Morgan's work can be seen throughout the state, including the Berkeley Playhouse, the Berkeley Women's City Club, Oakland's Mills College, Julia Morgan School for Girls and Kings Daughters Home as well as YWCAs throughout California.

The Julia Morgan Mausoleum is open to the public 7 days a week. For more information about Julia Morgan, or to reserve a free tour visit http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Julia_Morgan.

Chapel of the Chimes Oakland provides end-of-life services to families with diverse religious, ethnic and cultural traditions. Established in 1909 as a crematory and columbarium, Chapel of the Chimes Oakland is one of the top cremation service providers in Northern California and one of the most desired crematory locations. Chapel of the Chimes is part of a family of cemeteries, funeral homes and crematories with locations throughout the United States, including four in Northern California. For more information, visit www.oakland.chapelofthechimes.com.