Our Fall Architectural Tour is this month!

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Fall Architectural Tour
Saturday, October 29

If you have ever attended one of our Fall Architectural Tours, you understand the thrill of exploring some of the most distinctive homes in Dallas. With over 35,000 square feet of historic homes being presented on October 29, this year will be another grand slam and you do not want to miss it. That is a lot of history open for our guests and we hope you will join us again!

If you have not attended a past tour, this would be a great year to begin your love affair with what we annually offer. This year you can see houses ranging from 1918 to 1966 that feature all your favorite elements from LOTS of historic door/window hardware, to teal Geneva metal cabinets, to private wine rooms, to expansive landscaped grounds. Plus, the Patron Party will reveal the longest residential Turtle Creek shoreline in Dallas.

General tour tickets include five houses and are $50, and patron tour tickets are $100, which include an additional tour house as well as the patron party house (pictured below). Preservation Dallas members receive tickets for $40 and $85 with your discount. See more
October is Membership Drive Month!

Preservation Dallas values your support of its efforts to positively influence the future of the city’s historic buildings and neighborhoods. If you are not currently a member we hope that you will turn that support into a membership with Preservation Dallas. Membership gives you the opportunity to support our city’s unique cultural resources and to have a say in the future of your community. Membership also provides complimentary or reduced admission to our many events throughout the year such as: InTown Outings, special tours, lectures, and more. If you are not sure if your membership is current give us a call at 214-821-3290 or email us here.

In the past year Preservation Dallas has:

- Brought back the Most Endangered Historic Places List
- Hosted fall and spring architectural tours highlighting historic places around Dallas
- Held our first Cocktails for Preservation reception at Bellosguardo
- Advocated for the Downtown Demolition Delay Ordinance
- Hosted Urban Armadillo and Young Professional Happy Hours
- Presented the Preservation Achievement Awards to 15 projects and 6 individuals and organizations
- Presented InTown Outings at the Sharrock cabin, Mayrath House, Cannon's Village, Old Dallas High School and more
- Hosted the Historic House Specialist and Advanced Historic House Specialist seminars four times throughout the year

and much more!

Maybe you meant to renew and life kept you away or you were a member a while back and want to become an active supporter again. Or maybe you intended to join but never found the time. Whatever the reason, we would like you back!
Unveiling of the new state historic marker with (l to r) Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Erik Wilson, DISD Trustee Lew Blackburn, and Council Member Carolyn King Arnold.

Support Preservation Dallas with your new or renewed expired membership gift and you will be automatically entered to win two Patron level tickets to our Fall Architectural Tour on October 29 and the exclusive Tour Patron Party on October 26 at the gorgeous Hess House!

The winner will be selected on October 21. Only the first 100 new or renewed expired memberships will be entered in the drawing!

Renew or join now!

Advanced Historic House Specialist seminar
Thursday | October 20, 8:30am - 5pm

Hone the skills learned in the Historic House Specialist seminar by taking our one-day advanced class. Learn about materials and methods of housing in Dallas, preservation economics, home appraisal, landscape and more. This class includes a trip to the public library for advanced historic building research. 6 hours MCE credit earned for licensed realtors. For more information and to register, go to MetroTex or call 214-540-2751.

Historic Marker Dedicated for the Tenth Street District

On Saturday, September 17, a new state historic marker was dedicated for the Tenth Street Historic District Freedman’s Town celebrating the history and importance of this unique historically African American Dallas neighborhood. The new marker is located at the corner of Eighth and Anthony Streets on the N.W. Harlee School campus. There were about 150 people in attendance for the unveiling of the marker and ribbon cutting for the historic Harlee School, which has recently reopened. After the marker unveiling and ribbon cutting a celebration was held inside the school with a musical tribute, history of N.W. Harlee, the history of two of the churches in the Tenth Street neighborhood, and more.

Preservation Issues

Meadows Building - Great news for the Meadows Building on Central Expressway! The owners have announced they are going to save the original wing of the building and incorporate it into the new plaza design. Read more about it here. At the end of last year they announced that the wing
would be demolished as part of their redevelopment efforts at the site which resulted in advocacy for initiating the Landmark Designation process in order to prevent that from happening. The building was initiated for that process which it is still going through.

**Lakewood Theater** - The Lakewood Theater officially became a City of Dallas Landmark last month. The designation will protect the facade of the building and the interior lobby murals from changes without the permission of the Landmark Commission. However, they will be able to make changes to the blank wall to the left of the entrance marquee in order to cut in new openings to access the interior if it is to be divided up into smaller spaces. Read more about it [here](#).

**DART D2** - The City Council passed a resolution on Tuesday endorsing several immediate priorities for DART, including going underground with the proposed new rail line, known as D2, through the central business district. The Council Chamber was full of supporters in favor of burying the line instead of going along the surface which would impact numerous historic buildings downtown from the West End to Deep Ellum. Read more about the council resolution [here](#).

**Penson House (3756 Armstrong)** - The Penson House, newly listed on our Endangered Places List, sold at auction at the end of September. We have heard that the new owners are not planning to demolish the house and are trying to verify that.

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**Director's Letter**

*David Preziosi*

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who gave to Preservation Dallas during North Texas Giving Day! In total over $37 million was raised for 2,518 nonprofits in North Texas. That was $4 million more than last year.

We surpassed our goal again this year though the wonderful support of the following who gave to Preservation Dallas: Kerry Adams, Buddy Apple, Vanessa Baker, Tom and Tiffany Bakewell, Alice Baltierra, Beth Bentley, Mil Bodron, Greg Brown, John Brown, Debor and Jay Cassen, Victoria and Charles Clow, Shannon and Margaret Collins, Linda K Darter, Richard and Jan Doherty, Myron Dornic, Michelle Stanard Duhon, Jeff and Lea Dunn, Harryette Ehrhardt, Nicky DeFreece Emery, Susan Ernst, Chas Fitzgerald, Vicki Ford, Veletta Forsythe-Lill, Cheryl Freyberg, Jacque Gavin, Teresa Gibson, RuLan Hebler, Jerry and Philip Henderson, Sydney Herndon, Kathy Hewitt, Cris Jordan and Scott Potter, Ginan Kalenik and Joe Sauber, W. Brian Keith, Robert Kucharski, Stephanie Lathouras and Scott Zender, Yolanda Lawson, Jeff Maddux, Bermbaum Magadini Architects, Judy McMillen, Craig and Becky Melde, Bala and Jen Menon, Diane R. Miles, Kristi Miller, Kelly Mitchell, Linda Mitchell, Brady Moore, John and Lisa Moreno, Kelly Murphy, Douglas Nichols, Greg Nieberding, Jane Pak, Paula Peters, Phoenix I Restoration and Construction, Ltd., Mr. and Mrs. Al Preisser, Marcel Quimby, Alicia and Joel Quintans, Ralph Randall, Leigh and Paul Richter, Carol Roark, Lisa Ricci, Jon Rollins, Alicia Schroeder, Frank Seay, Leah and Greg Glaser, Mr. and Mrs. Shamsa, Nancy Shelton, Joanna Singleton, SparkFarm, J Stringer, Daron Tapscott, Doug Taylor, Janet Tharp, Julie Travis, Joan Walne, and Patricia Williams - American Care Foundation. Thanks so much to all those above for supporting Preservation Dallas with a special gift on North Texas Giving Day!

Now that fall is in full swing we are preparing for our signature fall event, the Fall Architectural Tour later this month. Our tour this year will be honoring the legacy of Ebby Halliday, a real estate icon in north Texas and the tour symposium will reflect on her life and amazing career. After the symposium there will be an outstanding collection of homes on the tour this year ranging from 1918 to 1966 and spanning a range of styles and sizes. You won't want to miss it!
After the Fall Architectural Tour there will be two wonderful preservation related conferences coming to Texas. From October 30 to November 2 the Association for Preservation Technology (APT) will be holding their national conference in San Antonio. You can find more about it by going here. After that from November 15 to 18, the National Trust for Historic Preservation (NTHP) will be holding their national conference in Houston, find out more here. Both are excellent conferences with APT leaning more to the technical side of preservation and NTHP more general in nature. It will be good to have both groups in Texas to spread the word about the importance of preservation from a national perspective!

Events

**Dallas Porchfest at Peak’s**
Saturday | October 15 | 12-8pm | 4700 block of Swiss Avenue

Dallas Porchfest is all about honoring MUSIC and the ARTs in open-air porches in the Peak’s Addition Neighborhood. Join the neighborhood as neighbors and musicians gather on historic porches with a variety of musicians and artisans throughout the day. Entertainment includes live jazz, songwriters, Aztec dancers, classical rock, local brews and wines and so much more. This is a free event. More info here.

**OOCL Fall Home Tour**
Saturday & Sunday | October 15 & 16 | 12pm - 6pm | Oak Cliff

The Old Oak Cliff Conservation League is featuring nine outstanding homes on its annual Fall Home Tour. Tickets can be purchased online, at Kessler Baking Co., Lucky Dog Books or at participating Tom Thumb’s: 315 S Hampton, 6333 Mockingbird, 522 Preston Royal Center and 633 W. Wheatland (Duncanville). Click here for more information on the tour, to preview the houses on tour, and to purchase tickets.

**The Kessler Theater 45th Anniversary Open House**
Saturday | October 22 | Doors open at 6pm | 1230 West Davis Street

This year marks the 75th anniversary of the construction of The Kessler Theater as noted in the National Historic Registry. Originally, one of the last Art Deco movie houses to be constructed, it served as a movie theater through the early 1950s and at one time was owned by Gene Autry. Surviving through tornado, fire, and a period of virtual abandon, it was resurrected as a live music venue, dance studio, and arts center in 2009. Decadent Dub Team will perform their experimental/electronic show around 9pm. Buffalo Black will perform around 8pm. This is a free event. For more information, click here.

Please Welcome Our New September Members!

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