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Join Us for the Screening of Unfinished Spaces
Wednesday, January 9 at 6:00 pm
Latino Cultural Center

The Dallas Center for Architecture Film Series will begin 2013 with a screening of Unfinished Spaces, a film about the rediscovery of Cuba's ambitious National Art Schools project, begun in the 1960s, when three young, visionary architects were commissioned by Fidel Castro and Che Guevara to create Cuba's National Art Schools on the grounds of a former golf course in Havana, Cuba. Construction of their radical designs began immediately and the school's first classes soon followed. Dancers, musicians and artists from all over the country reveled in the beauty of the schools, but as the dream of the Revolution quickly became a reality, construction was abruptly halted and the architects and their designs were deemed irrelevant in the prevailing political climate. Forty years later, the schools are in use, but remain unfinished and decaying.

This special screening is a collaborative effort between the Dallas Architecture Forum, Dallas Center for Architecture, DOCOMOMO US - North Texas Chapter and Preservation Dallas, along with our host, the Latino Cultural Center.

Free and open to the public, but reservations are requested.
Welcome and thank you!

2013 Preservation Achievement Awards

It is time to once again help us recognize the most worthy preservation projects in Dallas. The jury for the 14th annual Preservation Achievement Awards will be selecting award recipients at the beginning of March, and we are now accepting project nominations for them to review.

Nominations are due by 4 p.m. on Friday, March 1. E-mail Donovan Westover or call 214-821-3290 for more information on nominating a project, or to alert us to a deserving preservation project. Nomination forms are available by clicking here.

Director's Letter

By David Preziosi, Executive Director

A New Year always brings new opportunities and here at Preservation Dallas we are working on many exciting events and changes for 2013, along with building upon our 2012 work. There are already two events this January we are helping to sponsor with partner organizations, including a screening of the documentary film Unfinished Spaces on January 9th, and the 14th Annual Legacies Conference on January 26th. In February the Historic House Specialist seminar will be held with the Advanced version in March. In May, we will hold our Preservation Achievement Awards to once again recognize outstanding efforts to preserve the historic places of Dallas. There are also several Intown Outings on the drawing board for the year in addition to the popular Summer Sizzlers program.

2013 will also bring changes to the organization with the addition of a new person to fill our vacant position, upgrades to our membership database, and new event registration software. The membership database upgrade will allow us to better handle the membership data and make the membership renewal process more efficient. We will also be rolling out a new registration process for events this spring to make it easier for attendees to sign up and pay for our ticketed events. These changes will help reduce staff time involved with handling membership and events and allow us
to work more on other aspects of preserving Dallas' historic places.

Here's to a wonderful and successful 2013 and we hope to see you soon at one of our upcoming events!

2012 Holiday Party

Last month, members of Preservation Dallas festively ushered in the holiday season at our annual Holiday Party. The halls of the Wilson House were decked, and there was plenty of refreshments and laughter throughout the night. Mark Doty was on hand signing and personalizing his Lost Dallas book, making for a great gift! Thank you to members of the Preservation Dallas Board of Trustees for donations and contributions which ensured there was plenty of food and refreshments. Also, thank you to our hard working volunteers Lisa Ricci Rofsky, Joanna Hampton, Claudia Worme, Liv Schad, Jaime Bennett, Elaine Copeland, Matthew and Nena Graham, and the Preservation Dallas Young Professionals. We want to especially thank Eric Dorton at Barefoot Wine for donating the wine. Eric and Barefoot have always been a reliable source for donations for both our minor and major events.

Upcoming Programs and Events for Preservation Dallas and Partners

Unfinished Spaces Film Screening
Wednesday, January 9
6:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Latino Cultural Center, 2600 Live Oak Street
RSVP by email by clicking here.

14th Annual Legacies Dallas History Conference: Transforming Dallas
Saturday, January 26
8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Hall of State - Fair Park

This year the conference will focus on events that have transformed Dallas with speakers discussing the coming of the railroads to Dallas, the founding of Highland Park, the work of architect Howard Meyer, how Sam Bloom shaped
the public response to integration, and a panel discussion with eyewitnesses of the assassination of President Kennedy. For more information or to register click here.

**Historic House Specialist**
February 14-15
Preservation Dallas Office

Realtors may be certified as Historic House Specialists through an intensive two-day training course provided in partnership with the MetroTex Association of Realtors. This seminar is also open to owners or prospective owners of historic homes or anyone interested in learning about Dallas architects and developers, architectural styles, historic building research, making historic homes "green" or historic designations. For more information or to register click here.

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