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Corporate Partners



History of the Interstate Theatres

Program

WEDNESDAY | March 12
 Fair Park - Hall of State
 3939 Grand Ave, Dallas

6:00 PM Doors Open
 (Cash Bar Available)
 6:30 PM Program



Theatre Row in Dallas in the 1940s. Image courtesy of Lovita Irby.

Make sure to make your reservations for this special event on Wednesday! Come hear all about the Interstate Theatre company and their theatres in Dallas from film documentarian Jeffrey Mills who is working on a documentary on the company.

This program is in partnership with the Dallas Historical Society and reservations are required. To make a reservation [click here](#), call 214-421-4500 ext 101, or [email](#). Registrations from the earlier program do not carry over, so please register for the program again to make sure you have a reservation for the March 12 program.

**Book signing:
 Historic Dallas Theatres**

**by D. Troy Sherrod
 POSTPONED**



TUESDAY | March 18
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Linda Darter
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6:00 PM

Due to unexpected circumstances, the book signing has been postponed to an undetermined date. We will send out a notice once a new date for the signing has been set.

March Intown Outing

Statler Hilton & Dallas Public Library Tour



SATURDAY | March 29
10 AM & 11:30 AM
1914 Commerce Street
Dallas, TX 75201

Join us for a tour of the historic Statler Hilton Hotel and adjoining Dallas Public Library in downtown Dallas.

The Statler Hilton was designed by noted architect William B. Tabler of New York, and opened to the public in 1956. Originally containing 1,001 rooms, the Y-shaped 18-story tower featured a number of architectural elements that were highly innovative for its time, including a cantilevered flat-slab design and an elegant curtain wall of aluminum, glass, and porcelain panels.

We will also visit the adjacent 1953 Dallas Public Library, designed by noted Dallas architect George Dahl (also

Bill McKnight

Urban Armadillos

Luisa Benton
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master architect of the 1936 Texas Centennial Exposition at Fair Park).

Both properties have been empty since 2001, but are in the process of changing ownership. Merriman Associates Architects is currently in the planning stages and will have information available regarding the renovation.

Space will go quickly and is expected to fill up. Don't delay to sign up!

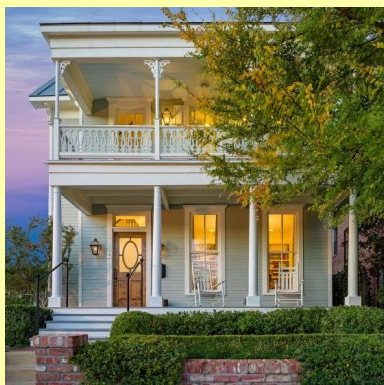
PARKING:

Plenty of street parking is available, but the metered spaces around Main Street Gardens will be unavailable due to a festival later in the day.

REGISTRATION:

Two tour times will be available. Admission is free for members, \$20 for non-members and reservations are strictly required as space is limited. Space will be reserved exclusively to current Preservation Dallas members until March 17th on a first come, first serve basis. After that, space will be offered to member guests and the general public. Please contact Preservation Dallas by [e-mail](#) or at 214.821.3290 to RSVP.

2014 Spring Architectural Tour State-Thomas Historic District



The State-Thomas Historic District is one of Dallas' oldest surviving neighborhoods and largest cluster of Victorian era houses. Be sure to join Preservation Dallas on Sunday, April 13, from Noon to 4 p.m., as we feature several of them on a tour. Learn about the history of the neighborhood from Virginia McAlester, Judy

Smith Hearst and Patricia Meadows, as they timeline the transition from a neighborhood to an historic district. You will be intrigued by the preservation efforts involved with this urban oasis in the hub of the city. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit the tour page [here](#).

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Zip Code Change for Preservation Dallas

If you are mailing anything to Preservation Dallas don't forget about our zip code change! Our new zip code is 75204-5962.



The 2014 Society of Architectural Historians (SAH) Annual Conference takes place April 9-13 in Austin, Texas. This international architecture conference will draw together preservationists, landscape and architectural historians, architects, planners, students and others to discuss the latest research on the history of the built environment. The conference offers 35 paper sessions, Graduate Student Lightning Talks, tours of Austin and the region, and the SAH Austin Seminar, "Austin and the Place of Historic Architecture in Rapidly Growing Cities." Led by Michael Holleran, director of the Graduate Program in Historic Preservation at University of Texas at Austin, this public seminar includes a keynote and two panel discussions on the challenges and opportunities Austin and other cities within the Texas Triangle face due to exponential growth. What is the role of historic architecture in booming cities such as Austin? How do we preserve and interpret individual structures and districts within a historically low-rise city that is undergoing economic, demographic, and physical transformation? These questions will be investigated by regional experts representing diverse perspectives, including Preservation Dallas Executive Director David Preziosi. Stephen Fox of the Anchorage Foundation of Texas will give the keynote, "Architectural History, Public Discourse, and Political Action in Texas: Looking Backward and Forward." For more information, visit sah.org/2014.

Volunteer to Help Rebuilding Together in the Tenth Street Neighborhood April 26

On April 26, volunteers will converge on the historic Tenth Street Historic District to help improve the homes and lives of those living in this important historic area of the city. This



event is part of National Rebuilding Day, the annual signature event of Rebuilding Together during which affiliates nationwide carryout projects to celebrate the organization's mission to revitalize the community and make sure that each homeowner has a safe and healthy home.

During the day volunteers join with a leadership team and skilled trade's people to help rehab a home. Typical projects include safety and accessibility modifications, general repair and maintenance, weatherization and energy/environmental-efficiency, along with painting and yard cleanup.

Preservation Dallas is putting together a team of volunteers to participate in the day. Don't worry, no prior renovation experience is needed! There will be a cost of \$20 to cover food and drinks throughout the day. If you can help out with this worthy project please call the office or [email](#). Other donations and sponsorships for the day will be accepted as well. Be prepared to work a full day and for more information about being a volunteer and what to expect please click [here](#).

The Tenth Street Historic District is one of Dallas' oldest Freedmen's Towns. Although settled shortly after Emancipation, most of the remaining historic houses in the neighborhood were built between 1890 and the early 1940's in various folk designs. They are modest but indicative of the skill and artistry of African American crafts people who built them.

Advanced Historic House Specialist seminar coming up soon!



Calling all realtors: Are you looking for continuing education credits and would like to learn more about preservation?

Hone the skills learned at the Historic House Specialist seminar and join us for the

Advanced Historic House Specialist seminar April 17. Topics include materials and methods used in housing, the economics of preservation, appraising historic properties, landscaping for historic properties, and advanced research at the Dallas Public Library.

For more information and to sign up, please contact the MetroTex Association of Realtors at 214-540-2751 or click [here](#). Class size is limited and is expected to fill up! Don't delay!

2014 Preservation Achievement Awards



AND THE WINNERS ARE...

Preservation Dallas presents our 15th Annual Preservation Achievement Awards recognizing the outstanding development of Dallas' historic buildings and places, as well as the people that contribute to the city's history. With an impressive 19 nominations to review, the jury took a full day to determine the recipients of the 2014 project awards.

Congratulations are in order for:

- Aldredge House
- Continental Building
- Dallas Municipal Building
- Dealey Plaza
- Joule Hotel
- Marcus House
- Merritt House
- Pilot Grove Church
- Reverchon Park
- 1715/1717 Gould Street
- 5816 Swiss Avenue

The Awards Committee invites you to attend the 2014 Awards ceremony and reception at the historic Texas Theatre on Wednesday, May 14. This year's awards will include a special tribute to the Bishop Arts District.

For more information or to purchase tickets click [here](#) or call the Preservation Dallas office at 214-821-3290.

Preservation Issues

Conservation District Ordinance

The proposed revisions to the Conservation District enabling ordinance from City of Dallas staff was recommended to the City Plan Commission by the Zoning Ordinance Committee last week. The proposed changes are an effort to reduce the amount of time it takes a neighborhood to get approval for a Conservation District.

Still an issue is the support required to move forward during the process. The city staff recommended that 75% of the property owners in a potential district would need to be in favor of the proposed district to move forward after the second pre-application public meeting. However, Preservation Dallas and the Old Oak Cliff Conservation League both recommended that the percentage be closer to 50% to give neighborhoods more of a chance to move through the approval process. The Zoning Ordinance Committee decided to recommend 66% to move forward in the process.

The proposed ordinance changes will go to the City Plan Commission (CPC) sometime in April where a decision will be made about the petition percentage to move forward. The Commission would then have the opportunity to recommend or deny the Conservation District enabling ordinance. The ordinance would then move to the City Council for approval or denial if recommended by the CPC. To view the proposed ordinance, with changes marked, going to the CPC for approval you can click [here](#).

Braniff Operations and Maintenance Base

Good news about the Braniff building! Developers have submitted a plan to the city for redevelopment of the building and the site. The proposed \$92.4 million dollar project includes the reuse of the building as a terminal for a private jet service, an auto showroom, event spaces, restaurants, grocery store, and office space. The deal is still being finalized and must get approval from the City of Dallas and the FAA. Read more about the project in the Dallas Morning News by clicking [here](#).

Director's Letter

By David Preziosi, Executive Director

As the warm weather approaches and spring begins, activities at Preservation Dallas will be hopping with lots of events!

We are very excited about our Interstate Theatre program tomorrow in partnership with the Dallas Historical Society. There are 180 people registered for the program and no sign of bad weather in sight, unlike February when we had to cancel the program due to weather!

Please make sure to put the Spring Architectural Tour on your calendar as we are lining up some really great houses to see

in the State-Thomas neighborhood. Hopefully the weather will be perfect for a stroll around the neighborhood to see the wonderful historic homes on tour.

If you are a fan of modern architecture make sure to attend the DOCOMOMO symposium in Houston this week. It will feature lots of great sessions on modern architecture in Texas. Also for modern enthusiasts will be the Intown Outing at the Statler Hilton this month, back by popular demand! We sold out the two tours we had last April, so make sure to register early if you would like to attend this year.

We are also hard at work on finishing up the mobile app for the walking trails in downtown Dallas! Final edits to the app are underway so that we can send it to Apple and Google for approval. Once we get approval for the app we will schedule a launch event downtown to kick off the availability of the app for download.

Exciting things are happening at Preservation Dallas this spring so make sure to stay tuned and join us for many fun events and programs!

Upcoming Programs and Events for Preservation Dallas and Partners

Historic Neighborhoods with Dr. Mike Hazel

The Hall of State at Fair Park

March 15, 1:00pm

This tour will take you through many of Dallas's historic and preservation districts where you will learn about how the neighborhoods came into existence, who planned them and when. Some of the neighborhoods are very well known, while others are lesser known residential jewels that make up the city. The neighborhoods visited include Deep Ellum, the Arts District, State-Thomas ("Uptown"), McKinney Avenue, Highland Park, Turtle Creek/Cedar Springs, West Dallas, Kessler Park, Lake Cliff, The Cedars, South Blvd/Park Row, Hollywood Heights. For more information, click [here](#).

Forum Lecture: Larry Scarpa

Magnolia Theater, West Village

March 20, 7pm

The firm of Brooks + Scarpa is known for its dedication to modern architecture's core concern for social and environmental issues as the guiding principles of design. Each project is viewed as an opportunity to rethink the way things normally get done - from initial concept to material selection to construction. The work of Larry Scarpa has reimagined the very process of design and building to produce more innovative buildings. Scarpa's work has been widely exhibited, including at the National Building Museum in Washington, DC. For more information contact the Dallas Architecture Forum at 214-764-2406 or director@dallasarchitectureforum.org.

Forum Panel: The Poetics
Coleman Coker, FAIA "The Poetics of Building"
Dallas Center for Architecture

March 25, 6:30pm

Poiesis and praxis - "making" a poetic and technical sense - serve as a pedagogical foundation for a design education. Coker's work would typically be described as "design/build", but in it he sees a way to engender civic responsibility, self-reliance and poetic design and his body of work shows a distinct level of mastery in this regard.

Coleman Coker is the Ruth Carter Stevenson Regents Chair in the Art of Architecture at the University of Texas at Austin School of Architecture. He has been awarded the Rome Prize from the American Academy in Rome and is a Loeb Fellow in Advanced Environmental Studies at Harvard University Graduate School of Design. For more information contact the Dallas Architecture Forum at 214-764-2406 or director@dallasarchitectureforum.org.

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