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We Need You! Help us stop future demolitions like this!



THURSDAY | October 16 - 6:00 p.m.
J. Erik Jonsson Central Library
1515 Young Street
O'Hara Exhibit Hall - 7th Floor

We need your help! Please come to the **Public Forum on the Future of Historic Buildings in Dallas** to show your support for preservation in Dallas and for the City initiating better preservation protections for our historic buildings in Dallas!

At the meeting, the background on the Dallas Downtown National Register of Historic Places district and legal protections for historic buildings in Dallas will be presented. Following that will be a panel discussion on what can be done to better protect historic structures in Dallas. The panel will be moderated by Bob

Meckfessel of DSGN Associates with panel participants to include:

- Beth Wiedower - National Trust for Historic Preservation
- Katherine Seale - Chair of the Dallas Landmark Commission
- Mark Doty - Historic Preservation Officer for the City of Dallas
- Marcel Quimby - Quimby McCoy Preservation Architecture and author of the Dallas Downtown National Register district nomination
- Greg Brown - Program Director with the Dallas Center for Architecture

Audience members will be able to ask the panel questions and present their thoughts on what historic buildings or areas of the city they would like to see more protections put in place to prevent future unnecessary demolitions. Special guest will include Dallas City Council Member Philip Kingston.

Please invite anyone you think might be interested in attending. Let us know you are coming on [Facebook!](#)

The forum is sponsored by Preservation Dallas and the Texas/Dallas History & Archives Division of the Dallas Public Library.

Parking - Free in the Library parking garage which may be accessed from Wood Street. Please bring your parking ticket with you to the meeting to be validated.

Fall Architectural Tour - Grounds for Preservation



SATURDAY | October 25 | 8:30 a.m. | Angelika Theater

The fall tour is quickly approaching and we have some exceptional estate homes and grounds on tour this year that you won't want to miss! Included in the general tour will be the Hayes House (Harold Prinz, 1959), Bromberg House (O'Neil Ford, 1939), Ray House (1963) and Rife House (Fooshee and Cheek, 1937). The patron level tour will showcase the Beck House (Philip Johnson, 1963) with the patron party at the Jackson House (Hal Yoakum, 1937).

For more information and to purchase tickets click [here](#). Please do not wait to purchase your tickets as they selling very quickly! The 2014 Fall Architectural Tour is presented by Ralph Randall, Madeline Jobst, JL Forke and Dave Perry-Miller & Associates.



New Corporate Partner Spotlight: Davis-Hawn Lumber & Architectural Millworks

Rich in tradition and history, Davis-Hawn Lumber & Architectural Millworks still has the look and feel of the old style lumberyard you used to tag along with your dad to on Saturday mornings. It has a history that dates back to the early logging years of East Texas timber and the early building years in Dallas.

In 1923, Wirt Davis selected some farmland off Beckley Avenue in rapidly growing Oak Cliff to establish a central Dallas lumberyard to distribute lumber harvested from the Davis family's timberlands and milled at their East Texas sawmill. At that time, Beckley was the main highway heading south out of downtown Dallas (decades before Interstate 35 was envisioned). The lumberyard required an extra wide turning area for the horse-drawn delivery wagons of that day. Joe Verne Hawn, of the well-known C.F. Hawn family from Athens, Texas, was a co-owner in the early 50's.

Native Dallasite Dave Reichert bought the company in 1999 and is continuing its tradition of old fashioned service and quality for today's custom builders, remodelers and preservationists. The company has now been continuously operating its lumberyard, millwork shop and hardware store at the same location for over 91 years, longer than any other Dallas lumberyard.

In addition to its full service lumberyard, Davis-Hawn Architectural Millworks is a custom shop that manufactures radius millwork, custom hardwood mouldings, historical wood sidings, entablatures, timbers and rafter tails, garden gates, stile and rail doors and sashes, and other fine architectural millwork. It's like having your own private millwork shop for your period home or new "old" house. With a unique combination of old-world craftsmanship and sophisticated CAD and CNC capabilities, Davis-Hawn can manufacture any architectural wood detail that your project requires.

With renewed enthusiasm, the company is committed to upholding the values on which it was founded and carrying on its tradition of quality, value, service and integrity. The experience of this old-style lumberyard is worth the visit even if you

don't have a current project in the works.

Preservation Dallas greatly appreciates Davis-Hawn becoming a new Preservation Dallas Corporate Partner and if you would like more information about Corporate Partner levels and benefits please contact [Donovan Westover](#).

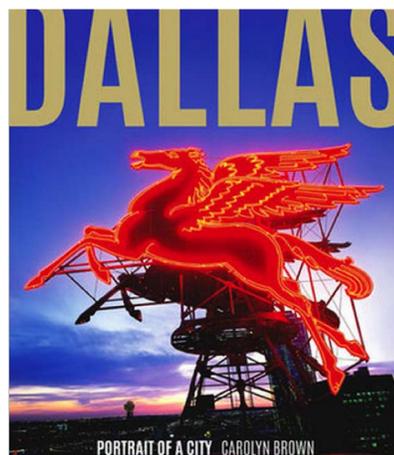
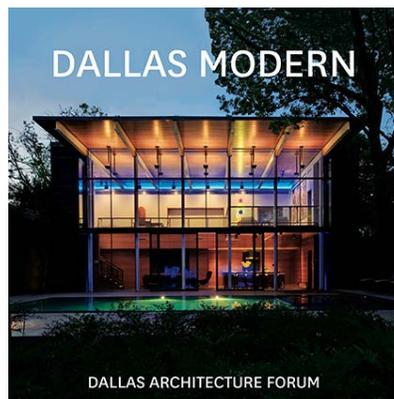
New books in Preservation Dallas bookstore

The fall edition of **Legacies** magazine is in! If you don't receive a copy with your membership, please stop by to purchase one. They are \$4.50 for members.

We just received **Dallas Modern**, by the Dallas Architecture Forum, a monograph featuring twenty architecturally outstanding modern homes in Dallas, including the Beck House, featured on our Fall Architectural tour this year. \$55 for members, \$60 for the general public.

Also in is Carolyn Brown's **Dallas, Portrait of a City**, a vivid illustration of what makes Dallas great. These rich full color images are supplemented by lively essays from leading citizens including many Preservation Dallas members such as Willis Winters, Marcel Quimby, Greg Brown, Mike Hazel, Sam Childers, and Nancy McCoy. \$39 for members, \$43 for the general public.

These make excellent gifts! Stop in to purchase these and other selections in our book store!



Events

Old Oak Cliff Conservation League Fall Home Tour

Saturday and Sunday | October 18 and 19 | Noon - 6pm

Take a tour of Oak Cliff and check out the diverse architectural styles found in the neighborhoods of Oak Cliff. Tickets sold before October 18th are \$20 and \$12 for seniors. They are available online via Paypal at www.ooccl.com or at participating Tom Thumb's at 315 S. Hampton, 6333 E. Mockingbird at Abrams, and 633 W. Wheatland at Cedar Ridge in Duncanville. During the weekend of the tour tickets may be purchased at Ticket Central at Simply Austin at 8th and Bishop or at any of the homes for full price at \$25 and \$15 for seniors.

PDYP Trolley Tour of Uptown

Wednesday | October 29 | 6pm | MATA Turntable at Cityplace/Uptown Station
Join the Young Professionals and Uptown Dallas, Inc for a ride on the McKinney Avenue Streetcar and a discussion along the way of the history and redevelopment of Uptown. Free for PDYP members, \$15 for general public. Complimentary beverages on the tour. Space is limited and reservations are required. Please RSVP by [email](#) or 214-821-3290.

Kelly-Moore Tribute Luncheon to honor Virginia McAlester

Wednesday | November 5 | 11:45am | Hall of State
Join us to honor Virginia McAlester! To register go [online](#), or call us at 214-821-3290. Please RSVP by October 17th.

Continuing Education: Silicate Mineral Finishes

Tuesday | November 11 | Noon | Wilson Carriage House
Join us for an AIA Continuing Education course on the protection, decoration and preservation of historic concrete and masonry finishes. This one hour course is presented by Tom Tipps of Keim Mineral Coatings. AIA credit earned for registered architects. Lunch provided. \$15. To register, [email](#) or call us at 214-821-3290.

Advanced Historic House Specialist seminar

Thursday | November 13 | 8:30am | Wilson Carriage House
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.

New Members

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Justin Croft

Johanna Davis

Suzann Farren

Deborah Fitzpatrick

Shannon Foster

Joan Henderson

Anne Lasko

Tracy Lewis

Kelley Theriot McMahon

Sherry Scott Moore

Alison O'Halloran

Susan Petty

Starr Reimer

Richard Waite

Matthew Wood

Sustainer

Double

Tom Bass

Ryan Behring

The Harder Organization

Residential Design

Young Professionals

Miles Elliott

Jeremy Lott

Virginia McDowell

Beth Valentine

Patty Tipps King

Ansel and Suzanne Aberly

Welcome and thank you to our new members!

Preservation Issues

Demolitions of historic buildings seem to be all the rage right now in Dallas. The unfortunate demolitions on Main and Elm Streets, which began last month, were a shock to many, including Preservation Dallas. Especially after it was announced in August that the buildings would be rehabilitated for the relocation of the Forty Five Ten store to downtown. Just recently announced was the future demolition of the Mason Bar in Uptown along with several surrounding historic houses (many of which were relocated to that area in the 1980s) to make way for a new low-rise housing development. The County of Dallas is also looking to sell the historic Cabana Hotel (formerly the Decker Jail) on Stemmons Freeway, possibly leading to its demolition for a new residential tower. All of the above are not City of Dallas Landmarks or in Landmark Districts, thus there are no legal protections to stop demolition. With the economy picking up developers are out in full force again with projects and many historic properties are targets for demolition. Even though demolitions are taking place, many outstanding preservation projects are also underway in significant historic buildings including the Statler Hilton, LTV building, Lone Star Gas Complex, and 211 North Ervay.

On Wednesday, Preservation Texas will be in Dallas to announce the addition of urban National Register of Historic Places districts to their list of the Most Endangered Places in Texas. Many cities in Texas, including Dallas, are facing this issue. Preservation Texas chose Dallas for the announcement to use the recent demolitions as an example of what can happen if better protections are not put in place for historic buildings on the National Register. The announcement will take place in front of the LTV building in the 1600 block of Elm Street at 1:00. To read the press release click [here](#).

The Conservation District enabling ordinance revisions are still working their way through the various levels of oversight at the city. The final draft of the ordinance is set to go to the Quality of Life committee in December. After that it will go to the City Council for final consideration.

Director's Letter *David Preziosi*

With the cooler weather of fall its time to explore Dallas through home tours! There are two great options this month for people to get a glimpse of some of the most unique homes in Dallas.

This weekend is the fantastic home tour put on by the Old Oak Cliff Conservation League. It's always a great way to see some great houses and a fun way to explore the many interesting neighborhoods in Oak Cliff. It runs both Saturday and Sunday so you can choose which day to go. As an added bonus proceeds from the tour go into a grant fund which support neighborhood projects in Oak Cliff.

Of course we have our signature Fall Architectural Tour coming up on the 25th with some very impressive estate homes, listed above. A unique facet of the tour this year is the opportunity to experience beautifully landscaped grounds in addition to the estate homes. You will not want to miss this exclusive tour! We greatly appreciate all of the home owners who have graciously agreed to open up their fantastic homes to share with those that love the historic architecture of Dallas. I must also thank our wonderful tour chairs Ralph Randall, Madeline Jobst, and JL Forke for their leadership the past six months in putting this tour together. We could not have done it with out them!

So put on your walking shoes and get out there to see Dallas this month!

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