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**September 2014**

## Registration for the Braniff History and Architectural Conference Closes Sunday!



Last chance to register for the special conference presented by the Braniff Preservation Group and Preservation Dallas on the incredible history of Braniff International Airways! Over 250 people have registered for the conference so far and the optional tour of the former Braniff Place World Headquarters (now Dex Media) has sold out due to space limitations.

You won't want to miss the fascinating presentations on the colorful history of the airline and the iconic designers who helped to make it a pioneer in the industry including Alexander Girard, Emilio Pucci, Halston, Alexander Calder, Pereira & Luckman, Pierce Lacey and Associates, Welton Becket, and more.

Braniff was truly a legend in the airline business and with such a storied and colorful past you won't want to miss this exciting conference!

**REGISTRATION:**

Cost is \$25. Fee includes lunch. For more information on the program and to register go [online](#).



A little goes a long way when North Texans give on September 18th for North Texas Giving Day! The impact of your special donation on this day will positively influence Preservation Dallas' role in protecting the future of the city's historic buildings and neighborhoods. For over forty years, Preservation Dallas has been an advocate for preservation and an educational resource for Dallas, but only with your continued support can we make these efforts possible!

We hope to count on your support on September 18th!

## Events

### Young Professionals Fall Kick Off

**Thursday | September 18 | 5:30 pm | Dallas Scottish Rite | 500 S. Harwood**  
Preservation Dallas Young Professionals (PDYP) will kick off their fall season with a tour of the historic Dallas Scottish Rite Cathedral followed by a happy hour next door at Green Door Public House in the recently relocated Liberty Bank! Doors to the Cathedral will open at 5:30 pm, and the tour will begin at approximately 6:00 pm. New members may join at the event and "pay your age" - receive the full benefits of Preservation Dallas membership (normally \$50) for one year at a discounted rate. Please RSVP on [Facebook](#), by phone 214-821-3290, or [email](#).

### Lake Cliff Park Centennial Celebration

**Saturday | September 20 | 5 - 9 pm | Lake Cliff Park, 300 E. Colorado Blvd.**  
Lake Cliff Park in Oak Cliff turns 100 this year and we hope you'll turn up to help celebrate. Free and open to all, this landmark event will feature live music, an

outdoor showing of "Meet Me in St. Louis," a period dress contest, food trucks, a beer garden, and more! Learn more at [www.ooccl.org](http://www.ooccl.org) or [babs2540@gmail.com](mailto:babs2540@gmail.com).

## InTown Outing - Thanks-Giving Square

Tuesday | September 23 | 6 p.m. | 1627 Pacific Avenue

Join us on a tour of the Philip Johnson-designed Thanks-Giving Square (1976) and the underground Bullington Truck Terminal. The Square was designed to promote the concept of giving thanks as a universal, human value. Situated fifty feet below ground, the truck terminal was built to address the need for loading zones for the surrounding office towers without clogging up the surface streets. Join us as we explore the chapel and grounds and then discover the underground delivery system that is still in use today. Admission is free for members, \$20 for the general public and reservations are required. Please RSVP by [email](#) or 214-821-3290.

## Send-Off Reception for Pat Dilbeck

Wednesday | September 24 | 5-7 pm | Wilson House

Special send-off reception honoring Pat Dilbeck, who is leaving Dallas for Arkansas. Mrs. Dilbeck has been a long-time supporter of Preservation Dallas and of the local architectural community. Preservation Dallas would like to take this opportunity to thank her for her dedication and work to preserve the architectural legacy of her husband, Charles Dilbeck, who was undoubtedly one of Dallas' most beloved architects. Please RSVP by [email](#) or 214-821-3290.

## Fall Architectural Tour

Saturday | October 25 | 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

On the heels of our sold out 2013 Tour, Preservation Dallas is finalizing details for our 2014 Fall Architectural Tour - Grounds For Preservation, featuring historic estates and their landscapes. Keep an eye out for more information on touring a distinctive and unique collection of estate houses and their grounds. As always, the tour will be prefaced with an architectural symposium educating our guests on the significance of iconic homesteads in Dallas. The 2014 Fall Architectural Tour is presented by Ralph Randall, Madeline Jobst, JL Forke and Dave Perry-Miller & Associates.

## New Members

### Individual

Beth Fitzgerald

John Klein

Cheri Mullins

Matt Slay

### Urban Armadillos

Chase Stone

### Young Professionals

Michael Wong

### Sustainer

Albert & Frances

Gonzalez

Mark Lamster

Welcome and thank you to our new members!

## Preservation Issues

The Tenth Street Historic District neighborhood has long been on the radar of Preservation Dallas and we have worked, along with many other groups, to support the preservation of this very important neighborhood in Dallas. For those that may not be familiar with this neighborhood, it is one of the few remaining African American neighborhoods established as a freedman's town and the only one of its kind in Dallas on the National Register of Historic Places. Today the neighborhood is largely made up of small wood frame houses including Craftsman Bungalows, a few Victorian houses, and many shotgun style residences. The neighborhood also has some commercial and religious structures along with a historic cemetery.

Over the years the neighborhood has struggled with crime, dilapidated housing, vacant lots, and the loss of historic fabric. Recently more and more houses in Tenth Street have been coming up as court ordered demolitions. The neighborhood is a City of Dallas Landmark District so demolitions must be approved by the Landmark Commission; however, since these demolitions are court ordered, the commission can only delay demolition and not prevent it. Three demolition requests came up at the Landmark Commission this week in Tenth Street. Two were delayed as interested parties came forward to say they are working on trying to acquire the properties for rehabilitation. The third was approved as the owner demolished the structure, without approval of the commission, once the court order was issued for the property.

Preservation Dallas and other organizations such as 2000 Roses, bcWorkshop, Rebuilding Together, HKS, and more are continuing to work in helping property owners revitalize the neighborhood. bcWorkshop is finishing up its Activating Vacancy art project in the neighborhood and will be working on a neighborhood survey at the end of the month with help from students at UTA and Preservation Dallas. All of this has helped to galvanize the neighborhood residents, but vacant and blighted homes still present a problem.

Unfortunately, there are no quick solutions for the neighborhood and it is going to take persistence and the help of many different organizations coming together to bring their expertise to help preserve the special character of this important historic Dallas neighborhood.

## Director's Letter *David Preziosi*

As we head into fall there is much happening at Preservation Dallas! Coming up in a couple of weeks will be North Texas Giving Day. This event is important to hundreds of nonprofits in North Texas including us! If you have given in the past during this day thank you! If you haven't, don't worry you have another chance this year! The process for giving this year has been simplified to make it easier to give special gifts. As in the past, gifts will be partially matched by the Communities Foundation of Texas and we will have chances to win additional monetary prizes during the day as people give. This is an incredible opportunity for Preservation Dallas to be a part of this effort and we hope you will help us in our goal to raise \$6,000 to aid us with our work! We'll be sure to send out reminders for the big day!

You won't want to miss out on the Braniff Conference coming up on the 13th of this month. The Braniff Preservation Group has done an outstanding job of bringing together excellent speakers for the conference and has coordinated a fashion show of the colorful hostess uniforms from the 1960s and 1970s. In addition they will be sharing some of the wonderful Braniff commercials during the conference, which are sure to please!

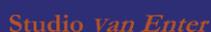
Also this month you have an exciting opportunity to get a tour of Thanks-Giving Square to learn about its history, design, and unique features. We'll even let you lie down on the chapel floor to get an exquisite look at the stained glass ceiling windows!

Fall also means our annual architectural tour and we will again have knock-out homes and this year stunning grounds to match! So make sure to save October 25 for the tour!

On November 5th, there will be a very special tribute event to Virginia McAlester from Kelly Moore Paints benefiting Preservation Dallas at the Hall of State. Virginia is so deserving of this recognition for her incredible work! I hope you saw that she is one of D Magazine's Dallas 40 - if not click [here](#) to check it out. Formal invitations for the event will be going out the end of the month.

So, with everything going on around Dallas in the fall make sure to get us on the calendar so you won't miss our fantastic events!

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