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## Architecture Tours of Greensboro

Preservation Greensboro will be holding a series of architectural tours of the city this fall. Established in 1808, Greensboro has the good fortune to have examples of nearly every American architectural movement, ranging from First Period Log Houses, through elaborate Italianate, Queen Anne, Prairie, and Period Revival styles. Join your friends at PGI for a series of three minicoach tours that will examine three very special periods of Greensboro's history, and the architectural styles that represent them. Greensboro's classic antebellum buildings will be explored, as well as the city's Victorian and Gilded Age past. Who knew Greensboro had so much style? Attendees will gain insights on the gate City's history, architecture, and the people who made the city what it is today.

### TOUR A

Ante-bellum Greensboro

Sunday, October 14, 2007, 2pm

### DESCRIPTION

Greensboro has a great collection of architecture built before the Civil War. This period was one of the most exciting in American architecture, encompassing Federal, Greek Revival, Italianate, and vernacular styles. Preservation Greensboro Executive Director Benjamin Briggs presents a look at the buildings and architecture of ante-bellum



"Greensborough," including several of the city's oldest and most regarded landmarks. Learn about

themes and styles of Greensboro's oldest buildings, ranging from modest houses to generous residences designed by a New York architect.

#### Tour B

##### Victorian Greensboro

Sunday, October 28, 2007, 2pm

##### DESCRIPTION

Greensboro grew from a courthouse-market town to a transportation center during the Victorian period, and the city has one of the finest collections of Victorian architecture to show for it! Tour guide Benjamin Briggs will demonstrate examples of Gothic Revival, Queen Anne, and Romanesque-style buildings in hidden neighborhoods and forgotten neighborhoods in every quadrant of the city. Examples in the "Gate City" range from college buildings to row houses, and churches to mansion as we explore Victorian-era Greensboro.

#### Tour C

##### Gilded Age Greensboro

Sunday, November 11, 2007, 2pm

##### DESCRIPTION

New York has their Rockefellers, Biltmore had its Vanderbilts, but Greensboro had its own set of Gilded Age millionaires who set the tone for gracious living in the Gate City during the 1910s and 1920s. This period of economic prosperity saw splendid profits from textiles, insurance, and real estate turned into grand housing on a scale never seen before in the city. The tour examines Fisher Park, Greensboro's first Gilded Age address, and Irving Park, which catered solely to high income residents.



The cost for each tour is \$25 for Preservation Greensboro members (members may invite a guest at member cost), \$35 for non-members. Join PGI and save \$30 for all three tours!

Due to the intimate nature of the tour, only 31 seats are available and children under the age of 13 may not attend. Reservations must be paid in full 10 days prior to the event. No refunds will be given if cancellation is made five or less days before the event, or for no-shows. Tours begin at the Blandwood Carriage House. Please make checks payable to Preservation Greensboro, and mail to PO Box 13136, Greensboro, NC 27415. Please act immediately, reservations are first come, first served, and interest is high.



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