



The Preservation Magazine of Greensboro

Sixth Annual Tour of Historic Homes & Gardens

Thank You for a Great Tour in Irving Park!

Over the course of the 2016 tour weekend in Irving Park, more than 600 preservation-oriented visitors walked the shaded streets of the neighborhood, some from as far away as Charlotte, Raleigh, and even Arizona! More than 150 enthusiastic volunteers donated time to celebrate historic preservation in our city.



The Irving Park tour has provided a great face for historic preservation and has promoted our mission. We enjoyed positive coverage in WFMY News2, *O. Henry Magazine*, *1808 Magazine*, and took a prominent spread in the *News and Record*.

Next, our 2017 tour on the weekend of May 20-21 will celebrate the Fisher Park Historic District, and bring historic preservation to a classic community of preservationists, and visitors! Please watch for more information about the tour on our Facebook page.

Again, thank you so much for your support of Preservation Greensboro and the Tour of Historic Homes & Gardens.

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Greensboro's Only Vintage Rosarium



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Please consider joining Preservation Greensboro by making a contribution. As a non-profit, we depend on support from citizens like you to accomplish our mission of saving our community's historic and architectural treasures.

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Save-the-Date

June 1 Walking Wednesdays
Westerwood Walking Tour

June 5 MUSEP at Blandwood

Blandwood's rose garden, or rosarium, is open to the public and used to present and grow antebellum rose species. The formal garden was established by the mid-nineteenth century. Hedging and low masonry walls frame beds filled with period bush and shrub roses that were popular when Letitia Morehead Walker referenced the garden in the 1840s.



In spring and late summer, they provide eye-catching color and fragrance, from the pink *Champney's Cluster* (1811) to the apricot blend of *Safrano* (1839). The rosarium is a popular location for weddings...just steps away from the Blandwood Carriage House. Come visit...and learn about roses from our past.

Carriage House 2016 Bridal Show

Located on the grounds of the landmark Blandwood Mansion, once the home of North Carolina's Governor John Motley Morehead, the Carriage House is hosting our 2016 Bridal Show on Thursday, July 28th, 2016 from 5 to 8 PM.

The [Carriage House](#) and its beautiful lawn and historical flower gardens have been an elegant location for weddings and special events in the Triad since 1970.

Admission to the event at 400 West McGee Street is FREE and open to the public.

Explore the grounds and charming gardens of Blandwood, conveniently located in downtown Greensboro. The gardens will be arranged to provide ideas for set up and placement. The Show will include representatives from the Triad's most trusted food and service vendors, and prospective couples will have the opportunity to sample delectables and take home free giveaways from some selected vendors. Within this historic setting, you will have the opportunity to meet with some of the top vendors in this market for consultations to make your occasion unique.

If you are planning any type of special event, we cordially invite you to come out and enjoy! Please share with others who might wish to be a part of this event!

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June 8 Walking Wednesdays
Downtown Landmarks Walking Tour

June 15 Walking Wednesdays
College Hill Walking Tour

June 22 Walking Wednesdays
Summit Avenue Walking Tour

June 29 Walking Wednesdays
The Twentieth Century City Walking Tour

July 6 Walking Wednesdays
Fisher Park Walking Tour

July 13 Walking Wednesdays
Westerwood

July 14 Secrets of Irving Park,
Part 2

July 20 Walking Wednesdays
Creative Quarter

July 27 Walking Wednesdays
Lindley Park

July 28 Carriage House 2016
Bridal Show

Aug 3 Walking Wednesdays
Sunset Hills

Aug 10 Walking Wednesdays
Downtown Landmarks

Aug 17 Walking Wednesdays
College Hill

Aug 24 Walking Wednesdays
Summit Avenue

Aug 31 Walking Wednesdays
Twentieth Century City

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The Secrets of Irving Park

Thurs, July 14, 7pm, Blandwood Carriage House

A follow-up to our popular May session, architect Jim Collins will continue his review of the architecture of Old Irving Park by linking the architectural influences of the English Arts and Crafts Movement to European Modernism and the progressive work of Edward Loewenstein.

Several prominent architects enjoyed commissions in Irving Park, included but not limited to Charles Barton Keen of Philadelphia, A. Raymond Ellis of Hartford, Greensboro's own Charles Hartmann, and Mott Schmidt of New York. Today, architectural historians marvel at the quality of design in this single Greensboro district that rivals contemporary neighborhoods in much larger cities.

This presentation is made by architect James S. Collins. With offices in Greensboro and New York City, Collins has enjoyed several commissions for restorations and new construction in Old Irving Park, and has an eye for detail, materials, and proportion.

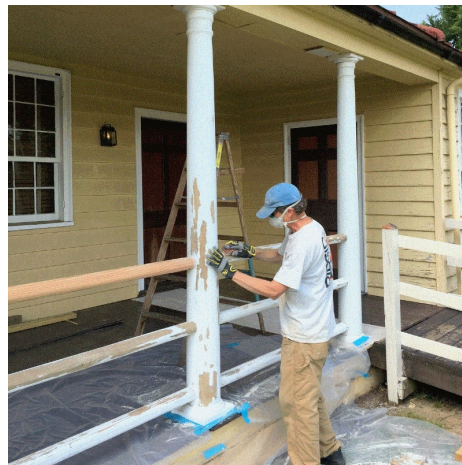
This FREE event will be held as part of Preservation Greensboro's year-long celebration marking 50 years of service to the community, as as a post-tour presentation associated with the Tour of Historic Homes & Gardens in May.

Learn more in our blog: [Secrets Of Irving Park](#)
Details on this event: [Secrets of Irving Park, Part 2](#)

Blandwood Porch Repairs

Thanks to Dan Curry, Blandwood is receiving some careful repairs to the South Porch.

The portion of the structure that is seeing work is the oldest, dating to 1795. When replacing some deteriorated porch floorboards, visitors could peek beneath the porch to see the dry-laid stone foundations of the earliest section of Blandwood, perhaps laid by namesake Charles Bland.



Curry is no stranger to Preservation Greensboro, having served the organization as early as the 1980s as a liaison

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with the College Hill Historic District. The scope of his work at Blandwood includes replacing railings and a column that have shown water damage. Special appreciation to the Marion Stedman Covington Foundation for this work.

FREE Architectural Walking Tours

Be a part of our 2016 season of Walking Wednesday tours that will highlight Gate City neighborhoods through the lens of their architecture and history. Classic tours including Fisher Park, College Hill, and Old Greensborough will be joined this year by new tours including Westerwood, Sunset Hills, and Lindley Park. Walking tours are free of charge, and help us meet our mission of understanding the importance of history and place.

[Visit our website](#) for updated scheduling on our tour season.

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