



The Preservation Magazine of Greensboro

Fisher Park Tour Wrap-Up!

As we close the books on the Tour of Historic Homes & Gardens in Fisher Park, we are grateful for everyone's help in making this a record-setting event in nearly every respect. More than 3,000 attendees, more than 30 sponsors, and over 200 volunteers made this event the most successful tour in our organization's history.

To our friends in the Fisher Park neighborhood, thank you for your patience over Tour weekend with crowds of curious onlookers. We hope you know just how much we all treasure your neighborhood, your homes, and your fascinating history!

To our tour-goers, thank you for your perseverance on such a summery Saturday, and your patience as you waited in lines to see these amazing houses. We certainly have some gracious supporters among us who have given us helpful suggestions for next year. We hope you have a greater appreciation of Greensboro as a city of history and architecture!

Thanks to our sponsors who made this event possible. We certainly consider you all as part of Greensboro's preservation team!

To our volunteers and Preservation Greensboro staff, thank you for a year of planning and for your commitment to this weekend of service as docents and coordinators. This event would be impossible without you and your hard work.

Special thanks to our generous homeowners, who graciously opened their doors to the community. We are so appreciative of your amazing homes and your sense of stewardship.

Planning has already begun on the Lindley Park Tour of Historic Homes & Gardens in Lindley Park, scheduled for



We Need You!

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 7 Lindley Park Walking Tour

June 17 UNCG Walking Tour

June 20 Lecture: African

May 19-20, 2018 We look forward to learning more about the history and architecture of their historic neighborhood.

Thanks so much, everyone!

Connect!

Love-A-Loewenstein Party

Wednesday, June 28 at 5:30 p.m.

James and Anne Willis House
707 Blair Street in Greensboro

Do you love Mid-Century Modernism? Do you love mod parties?

Why not enjoy both at our mod party at the Willis House?

The 1964-65 Willis House is significant due to its character-defining architectural features specified by Greensboro architects Loewenstein-Atkinson. Edward



Loewenstein and Robert A. Atkinson Jr. led a firm notable for its promotion of Modernist architecture in North Carolina during the mid-twentieth century. The Willis residence manifests Modernist principles in its long, low form and floor plan dictated by function rather than exterior appearance. Generous use of glass and high-quality natural materials such as cypress vertical board siding, walnut and birch paneling, variegated brick veneer, and slate create continuity between the interior and exterior.

The Willis House is an exceptional example of Modernism, and in recognition of its status it was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2014.

Save the date to see this incredible house decked out with 1964 culinary and material memorabilia for a Preservation Greensboro fundraiser! [Contact us for tickets.](#)

[Learn More](#)

Historic Walking Tours

June Walking Tours

Lindley Park Walking Tour, Wednesday, June 7, 7pm

Join us for our twelfth season of historic neighborhood walking tours as our History Sherpa Matthew Hintz guides us on an historical and architectural walking tour through the curving streets of Lindley Park - scene of our May 19-20, 2018 Tour

American Genealogy

June 28 Love-A-Loewenstein Party

June 28 Southside Greensboro Walking Tour

July 4 Independence Day - Blandwood Museum and PGI Offices Closed

September 4 Labor Day - Blandwood Museum and PGI Offices Closed

September 23 Museum Day Live

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of Historic Homes & Gardens!

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Tour cancelled in case of rain. Wear comfortable shoes! This tour is FREE. Meet under the Lindley Park stone entry gates at 2700 Spring Garden Street.

UNCG Architectural Walking Tour, Saturday, June 17, 11am

The University of North Carolina at Greensboro was established in 1891, and the city of Greensboro was selected for its campus in a competitive bidding process with other cities including Durham, Graham, Thomasville and Marion. The Woman's Normal School opened in 1892 with 198 students, 15 faculty, and three departments: commercial, domestic science, and pedagogy (teaching).

[Learn More.](#)

UNCG student and tour guide Nils Skudra will lead participants in a walking tour that will review key historical themes and architectural styles found on the campus, including early twentieth century dormitories, mid-twentieth century expansion, and even the Weatherspoon Art Museum. The tour will be cancelled in case of rain. Wear comfortable shoes! This tour is FREE. Meet at the 47-foot brick Vacc Bell Tower at Spring Garden Street and College Avenue, street address of 1100 Spring Garden Street.

Old Greensborough Walking Tour, Wednesday, June 28, 7pm

South of the railroad tracks are a variety of shops, galleries, and restaurants that were constructed beginning in the 1870s by Joseph Shields. Named Shieldstown, the street around South Elm Street were lined with brick storefronts sporting ornate iron- and stone-trimmed facades, and elaborate cornices. Today, the neighborhood and adjacent areas are a vibrant mixed-use neighborhood that feature landmark Victorian-Era homes and Neo-Traditional urban design.

[Learn More.](#)

This tour meets in front of the Green Bean. The tour will be cancelled in case of rain. Wear comfortable shoes! This event is FREE.

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Challenges in Genealogy

Tuesday, June 20 from 7pm till 8:30pm

Preservation Greensboro continues an exciting Lecture Series this summer that focuses on Architecture, the Decorative Arts, and History in the Gate City and Guilford County. The series takes place week nights, and is presented by scholars and experts who have studied the unique facets of our history that makes our community a remarkable place to live.

One of the most difficult problems in African American Genealogy is convincing newcomers that records of their ancestors do exist and that they can make the connection between freedmen and their enslaved forebears. In other words, we can break on through to the other side (before 1865). Surnames were mostly absent during the era of slavery and were sometimes chosen at will by former slaves. Some individuals can be difficult to locate during this period and some are easy, if you know where to look and how to research. Lamar DeLoatch, President of the Afro-American Historical & Genealogical Society/Piedmont Triad Chapter will present research tools and strategies that are useful to African American genealogy, and inspirational to genealogists of all interests. This event is FREE.

[Learn More!](#)

Explore!

Our Cape Town Adventure!

October 15 - 21, 2017

Cape Town's most distinctive location is on the dramatic coastline facing the icy waters of the antartic sea and overlooked by the iconic Table Mountain. Your imagination runs free in the multi-cultural "Mother City"



of South Africa. With our tour partners at Studio Travelers and the Weatherspoon Art Museum, our tour will explore the legendary city of Cape Town over the course of six nights.

Our tour is timed in order to arrive after the opening of Cape Town's acclaimed Zeitz Museum of Contemporary Art. We will visit Table Mountain, the Bo-Kaap Historic District, the new Zeitz Museum, the Groot Constanzia Winery, and so much more.

Join us, and make memories that you will cherish for life!

Learn More about [Cape Town](#) and [Our Itinerary](#)

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Membership Is Important!

As a non-governmental organization, our operating revenue comes from supporters like you who contribute annual membership support and attend our events. Anyone can be a member! Why not join us today with a contribution? Visit our website for online membership donations, or call our office at 336-272-5003, or simply mail a check to Box 13136, Greensboro NC 27415. We certainly appreciate your support of Greensboro's architecture and history!

Explore!

2017 Treasured Places Watch List Released

The Treasured Places Watch List is an advocacy and education program of Preservation Greensboro that promotes the importance of historic places and works with



community partners to find solutions to challenges in proactive and cooperative ways. Recognition to the Watch List is not legally binding in any way, nor is the program considered to be a shame campaign. Instead, the list is composed of properties that have a high degree of community interest, and are threatened with destruction by redevelopment, facility expansion, inappropriate new development, or even neglect.

Preservation Greensboro's mission is to build thriving communities by protecting and renewing our historic and architectural treasures. The Watch List was initiated in 2004 to help serve our mission. It has provided a spotlight for public forums, including newspaper, radio and television.

[Read More Here](#) about the 2017 Watch List.

It's As Easy As ABC...

Preservation Greensboro offers many ways to build preservation efforts in our community!

Architectural Salvage: Recycling vintage building materials from old homes for new uses,

Blandwood: The 200 year old Morehead homeplace is operated as a museum of history and design,

Carriage House: Two story garden pavillion available for special events and weddings,

Development Fund: A preservation think-tank that holds, moves, and restores key properties,

Events: Special events include the Tour of Historic Homes & Gardens, walking tours, and seminars,
Forum: The Morehead Forum for Economic Development convenes leading thinkers from across the state.

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