A Message from Your Friends at Preservation Greensboro

We hope this email finds you safe and sound as we navigate our lives through the covid-19 pandemic. We are working hard to keep a steady presence by providing educational social media posts, fundraising to maintain staff, and laying foundations for the organization as we rebuild normalcy.

Our offices, ASG, and Blandwood will remain closed until further notice. Please follow our posts related to Greensboro architecture and history on our Preservation Greensboro and Blandwood Facebook pages, as well as our Instagram account. If you are active on social media, please follow us and “like” and “share” our posts! If you enjoy exploring other digital platforms, be sure to check out our Care Package below.

Thank you for your support and enthusiasm for historic preservation. Please stay safe and healthy.

PGI Funding Update

The closure of our Architectural Salvage showroom, Blandwood Museum, our museum shop, as well as postponement of fundraising events has dramatically restricted our income. A membership or contribution to Preservation Greensboro is tax deductible and ensures a continued voice for history and architecture in our community.
Preservation Care Package II

Looking for preservation inspiration? Need some reading or browsing material to pass the time? Look no further than our special care package with interesting links, blog posts, and podcasts. Why not take some time to learn more about today's preservation movement?

Visit our website

New Landmark in Old Greensborough

One of Old Greensborough’s pivotal historic properties has been approved for local landmark designation. The corner building, located at 603 South Elm Street, exemplifies themes of history and architecture that make South Elm Street one of the best-preserved big city downtowns in North Carolina. Read more about the amazing history of these neighborhoods by clicking the button below.

Landmark History

Blandwood Collections Update

Sarah Towers, a Second Year Fellow in the Winterthur/University of Delaware Program in Art Conservation, has completed a through study of the Morehead Mixing Table that was gifted to Blandwood by the estate of the White family. Sarah’s research discovered tropical veneers (possibly mahogany), construction techniques (pictured), as well as the table’s original appearance! Through Winterthur constituents, an identical table marked IV matched with our table marked III, to indicate the pieces were possibly made by the same hand. The table will be thoroughly restored at Winterthur and returned to Blandwood upon completion.
ASG Videographer Wanted

Architectural Salvage wants to make our media presence more efficient and profitable. Presently, we post photographs of our items on Instagram and Facebook, however we would like to also include video footage. We need a series of short videos in two areas: information about items in our shop and how-to videos.

We are seeking someone with video experience, skills, or interest. All three qualities would be helpful but learning as you go is always a blast! This volunteer job description includes helping plan the video subject, taking the video, editing it, uploading and posting on ASG’s socials. Volunteers earn $5 an hour in credit towards purchasing things in our showroom. If you are interested in this project, please contact Jon Enos.

Our Rosy Outlook

Blandwood's rose garden, or rosarium, was first established in the mid-nineteenth century by Letitia Morehead Walker, who referenced the garden in her diary. Today's presentation of Old Garden Roses includes a variety of color and fragrance, from the pink Old Blush (1752) to the apricot blend of Safrano (1839). The garden is open to the public and used to present and grow pre-1867 rose species. Garden volunteers are always welcome!

Summer Internship

Brooke BiaLowas will begin a summer internship with Preservation Greensboro in May. She is a senior at UNCG majoring in Interior Architecture with a minor in Art History. She recently studied abroad in England where she found her passion for history. She will pursue a career in historic preservation following her graduation in December 2020. Her internship project will focus on architectural history, reviewing the preservation of Blandwood in the 1960s and 1970s.
Sedgefield Stables Project

Greensboro-based Affordable Housing Management (AHM) is working with the Preservation Greensboro Development Fund to save the historic Sedgefield Stables on Groometown Road as part of a larger affordable housing development. AHM Executive Director David Levy has assured Preservation Greensboro that an early cemetery between the stables and Celia Phelps United Methodist Church will be preserved. The showgrounds have been a landmark recreation space for the Sedgefield community for almost one hundred years, and the site is on the National Register of Historic Places Study List for possible future designation. The Fund continues to work on details of accepting the donation of the historic building and one acre of land around it for adaptive commercial re-use. City Council approved the project rezoning on April 21st.

Preservation Events & Activities

Join Walking Wednesdays in June
Locations Across The City
A Wednesday in your Future
7:00pm-8:30pm

Our evening walking tour 2020 season could begin in June. Several longstanding tours are scheduled, alongside some new tours that will focus on White Oak New Town and Human Rights history in Greensboro. Plan to join us on your Wednesday evenings!

Events Page

Vintage Advantage at ASG
Coming this Fall!
9am-3pm

Buy or sell eclectic treasures at the Semi-
Annual Vintage Market at Architectural Salvage! This outdoor pop-up market includes rustic treasures, creatively reused collectibles, vintage finds, locally-made goods, salvaged wood furniture, and upscale handmade items. Architectural Salvage of Greensboro is a 25-year old non-profit initiative of Preservation Greensboro.

More Info Please!

Rescheduled
Save-the-Date for Our 2020 Tour of Historic Homes

Tour will highlight the South Elm Street and Southside neighborhoods

We are busy planning details of our 10th Annual Tour of Historic Homes and Gardens scheduled for August 29th-30th, 2020. This tour will explore vintage live-work living spaces in downtown, as well as historic mixed-use projects.

Our tour is the largest fundraising event for our organization, and we need community supporters like you to help make us successful. We offer business sponsorships as well as personal sponsorships. Take a look at the packet link below, feel free to call the office or click the question link below to email.

Sponsorship Packet
Have a Question?

Check out our Tour Sponsors!

**Classic Level**
- CT Wilson Construction
- DLM Builders

**Italianate Level**
- Carmina Wood Morris Architects
- Heritage Greens Senior Living
- Kogi Capital
- Melissa Greer Homes

**Victorian Level**
- Ashley Meredith Homes
- Bobbie Maynard Homes
- Classic Construction
- Downtown Greensboro Inc.
- Greensboro Kitchen and Bath
- New South Associates
- Studio Traveler
- Taylor & Associates Appraisers
- Teague Freyaldenhoven
Upcoming Events

All Posted Events Remain Tentative

June 3 Walking Wednesday in Westerwood
June 8 Blandwood In-Depth Tour: Architecture
June 10 Walking Wednesday at Bennett College
June 15 Blandwood In-Depth Tour: Portraiture
June 17 Walking Wednesday in Sunset Hills
June 22 Blandwood In-Depth Tour: Decorative Arts
June 24 Walking Wednesday at Grimsley High School
Aug 29-30 Tour of Historic Homes & Gardens

Visit our website for events

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Planned Giving for Preservation

Please consider a legacy gift to support preservation work here in Greensboro. A gift from your estate may include a specific dollar amount or a percentage of value. Your donation will provide critical support to future preservation efforts here in Greensboro. Invest in your city through historic preservation!

We Need Your Membership, Especially Now!

Please consider making a contribution to Preservation Greensboro. 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. With loss of city support, we could really use a special gift to help us maintain staff and operations. We certainly appreciate your help!

Donations and Memberships
Contacting Us

Due to emergency "stay home" orders, staff will not be monitoring office telephones. We ask that you rely on email instead.

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