

Living It Up Downtown: Preservation's New Frontier

Heritage Society of Austin



Heritage Homes Tour

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They are the hidden treasures of Texas' Capital City, downtown places that an increasing number of Austinites are calling home. In what were once office buildings.

A hardware store. A boarding house. An early-day doctor's office

May 12 and 13, 2000

Downtown Living

It is Austin's latest trend.
And preservation's latest frontier.
A place where the future is preserving the past.

Come see these treasures that are fueling up a downtown renaissance, most open to the public for the first time. And probably the only time.

Join Honorary Tour Co-Chairs
Luci Baines Johnson and
Ian Turpin to see the places that
Austinites past and present call home,
a one-of-a-kind Heritage Homes Tour
in a neighborhood like no other,
the Central Business District.

The Sites

One used to be a notorious flophouse and billiards parlor. Another was an Art Moderne building where Lyndon Baines Johnson once officed. Another was a Civil War-era hardware store. Or an 80-year-old car repair shop. Or an Art Deco state office building.

Today, Austinites call each one home. In toney lofts.

In one-of-a-kind townhomes. All on the cutting edge of historic preservation.









Driskill Hotel 604 Brazos Street Stephen F. Austin Hotel 701 Congress Avenue Wooten Building 107 East 10th Street Anson Jones Building 410 East 5th Street











St. Charles House 316 East 6th Street The Brown Building 708 Colorado Street Steiner Building 807 Congress Avenue Edward Tips Building 708 Congress Avenue Capitol Chevrolet Complex 411 Brazos Street

Tour

Heritage Homes Tour

Saturday, May 13, 2000 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Visit 10 historic and restored homes at seven locations. Lofts, storefront walkups, a Brownstone gem, even two Congress Avenue buildings being converted into homes. In a first for the tour, see preservation in the before, during and after stages. Plus quick look-sees at the historic Driskill Hotel and Stephen F. Austin Hotel. Walking tours start at the Driskill, Brown Building and Avenue Lofts.

Party

Twilight Preview Party

Friday, May 12, 2000 7-10 p.m.

Start out at the newly and magnificently restored Stephen F. Austin Hotel, once the home-away-from-home for storied Texas lawmakers and dignitaries, where a sumptuous hors d'oevres buffet, entertainment and libations will be available. Tour the posh Governor's Suite penthouse, then stroll nearby for an exclusive peek at a preservation work-in-progress. Special group discount for six or more tickets.

Tickets

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Discount tickets are available by mail in advance from the Heritage Society of Austin or at www.heritagesocietyaustin.org. Tickets on tour day will be available for \$15 each only on the South Portico of the Driskill Hotel (6th Street and Brazos), at the Brown Building Lofts (708 Colorado Street) and at the Avenue Lofts (410 E. 5th Street).

Shuttle Service & Parking

Complimentary shuttle service will be available Saturday to buildings along the tour route. Parking available on the street.

Ticket Order Form

Heritage Homes Tour Saturday, May 13, 2000 10 a.m6 p.m.	I am unable to attend, but please accept my donation of \$
Tickets at HSA member price \$10 each Tickets at non-member price \$12 each	Total enclosed \$
Twilight Preview Party	Name
Friday, May 12, 2000 7-10 p.m.	Address
Reservations at \$85 each	City/State/Zip
(\$75 each for six tickets or more)	□ Visa □ Mastercard
Heritage Society of Austin Annual Membership Fee	Card #
Contributor \$35	Expiration Date
Sponsor \$50	Signature

Please make checks payable to the Heritage Society of Austin. Ticket purchases may also be made through the Heritage Society Web site: **www.heritagesocietyaustin.org**. Orders must be received by Friday, May 5, to be processed by return mail. All sales are final. No refunds will be made.

Mail to HSA, PO Box 2113, Austin, TX 78768. Telephone 512.474.5198. Fax 512.474.2125.

Proceeds from this tour are used by the Heritage Society of Austin for preservation projects and issues targeted at saving Austin's colorful and diverse history.

This year's Heritage Homes Tour is brought to you by the Heritage Society of Austin in partnership with the Downtown Austin Alliance.

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