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TOUR INFORMATION

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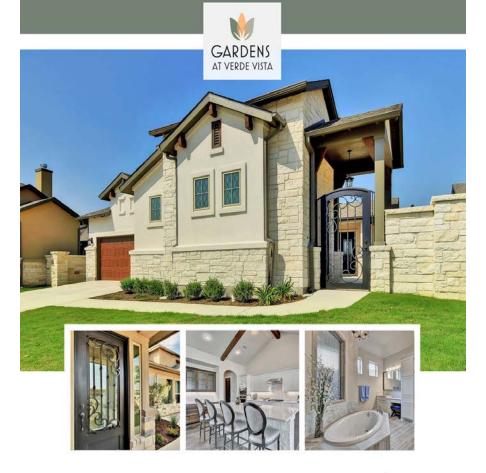
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THE ORIGINS AND IMPACT OF THE ARTS AND CRAFTS MOVEMENT

In the first half of the 20th century, the Arts and Crafts movement inspired new approaches to architecture, interior design, and decorative arts in the United States. It began in Victorian England, where a loosely affiliated group of architects, designers, and theorists sought to counter the degrading effects of the Industrial Revolution. Modern machine production and the division of labor, they argued, had alienated the craftsman. While stylistically eclectic, its leaders were unified in a commitment to reunite the fine arts and the decorative arts through the creation of beautiful, simple, affordable, and handcrafted everyday objects.

BRITISH ORIGINS

The writer and art critic John Ruskin (1819-1900) and the artist-craftsman and businessman William Morris (1834-1896) shaped the Arts and Crafts philosophy.

Ruskin believed industrialization had fundamentally corrupted modern production and looked artistic to the past for a remedy. In two highly influencial books, The Seven Lamps of Architecture (1849) and The Stones of Venice (1851-1853), he rejected the machine-made and championed medieval architecture for its "moral" craftsmanship and "honest" use of materials. William Morris, trained as an architect and painter, took up Ruskin's ideas and became the movement's figurehead. Beginning in the 1860s, he produced decorative arts objects through the firm of Morris, Marshall, Faulkner & Co. (restructured as Morris & Co. in 1875). Morris and his collaborators, including the painters Edward Burne-Jones and Dante Gabriel Rossetti, found success designing stained glass, textiles, wallpaper,



Morris & Co. textile, 1890s (Art Gallery of South Australia)

furniture, and metalwork for an affluent clientele – designs that are still popular today. Yet Morris, as an ardent socialist, remained frustrated in his goal that beautiful, handcrafted everyday objects should be within the financial reach of the working class.

Morris's ideals — unity of art and craft, joy in labor, nature and the past as inspiration, simplicity and honesty in materials — inspired a second generation of designers. They developed and spread the Arts and Crafts message through craft workshops and societies, such as the Century Guild and the Art Worker's Guild, lectures, and publications. The Arts and Crafts Exhibition Society, which held its first public exhibition in London in 1888, gave the movement its name. Artists and architects like Walter Crane, T. J. Cobden-Sanderson, and C. R. Ashbee, among others, helped popularize the movement among the British upper and middle classes by the turn of the twentieth century. A few British retailers, beginning with Liberty & Co. and Heal & Son in London, worked with various designers and producers to translate the Arts and Crafts mode into middle class consumer goods like furniture and silver; yet many of the movement's leaders continued to reject this reliance on the machine-made. It was not until the Arts and Crafts made its way to America that it became a truly popular, democratized artistic movement.

POPULARIZATION IN AMERICA

In the late-1890s, Arts and Crafts Societies formed in several American cities, notably Boston and Chicago. Some found inspiration in the movement's social



Newcomb Pottery vase, 1902-1904 (Brooklyn Museum)

goals, setting up utopian artist communities like Rose Valley in Moylan, Pennsylvania, or philanthropic centers like Jane Addams's Hull House in Chicago. By the 1910s, what set the American Arts and Crafts movement apart was its embrace of mass manufacturing; leaving behind the necessity for handcraft yet still emphasizing high-quality, simple design. It was also a diverse movement, with regional influences and a range of aesthetics, including mission style furniture, the Prairie style houses of Frank Lloyd Wright, and Sears, Roebuck & Co.'s Craftsman style catalog homes.

The designer and manufacturer Gustav Stickley promoted Arts and Crafts values along side

his furniture goods in The Craftsman (1901-1916). Magazine He also published model house designs, helping to popularize the bungalow type now ingrained in our urban landscape. In Michigan, the Come-Packt Furniture Company merged craft aesthetic with mass-produced, partially assembled furniture sold directly to consumers (a forerunner to today's flat pack IKEA furniture). Popular magazines, such as the Ladies Home Journal and House Beautiful further endorsed the



Gustav Stickley chest, 1903 (Metropolitan Museum of Art)

Arts and Crafts improvement of domestic interiors. American consumers enthusiastically embraced the Arts and Crafts Movement's search for a modern, contemporary aesthetic in the early twentieth century, including right here in Austin.

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THE AMERICAN BUNGALOW: A NEW KIND OF ARCHITECTURE

So what is a bungalow, and how did it come to be so strongly identified with the Craftsman style?

Bungalows, as a housing type, originated in India. The word itself is adapted from the Hindi *bangla*, meaning a house in the Bengal style. These one-story homes had pyramidal roofs and wide porches providing relief from the hot climate. The British army adapted this native architecture for their officers during the colonial era, and bungalows, more a form than a style, made their way to England and the United States during the late 19th century.

At the time the American Arts and Crafts Movement was focused on interior design rather than exterior style. Gustav Stickley's *The Craftsman* launched its "Home Builders Club" in 1904, offering subscribers new home designs on a monthly basis. The magazine's writers were proponents of regionalist architecture for varied climates. Bungalows were considered particularly suitable for summer homes, but during these early years, "Craftsman Houses" included everything from the Tudor Revival to Mission Revival styles depending on the location.

CRAFTSMAN INTERIORS

Inside, though, The Craftsman consistently promoted a new kind of home for the American middle class – one "convenient, harmonious, and related to all its parts." Craftsman style interiors rejected the Victorian era's rigid lifestyle and cheap, mass-produced home goods.

Gone were formal parlors and pretentious entrance halls, now replaced by large,



An ideal Craftsman dining room (The Craftsman, 1905)

welcoming living rooms with prominent fireplaces for families and friends to gather. Wood paneling and roof beams harkened back to medieval times, complimented by serene shades of paint. Spare decoration could include pottery or wall-hangings, while homeowners were cautioned against gaudy Victorian clutter. Even framed pictures were derided as "superfluous and discordant."

Built-in bookcases, benches, and sideboards not only economized limited space, but insured that homeowners would have no need for "the usual collection of badly-designed and inadequate furniture" that would intrude upon this aesthetic composition. No matter that these features were machine made, in direct contradiction to the Arts and Crafts Movement's mission; their simple forms gave the sense of permanence and honest craftsmanship, all affordable to the average family.

CALIFORNIA BUNGALOWS



Gamble House by Greene and Greene, 1908

Meanwhile, a new kind of bungalow was emerging in California which embraced the Craftsman aesthetic inside and out. Inspired by the region's dramatic mountains and rugged landscape, and enabled by ample lots and a temperate climate, these "rustic" houses featured broad rooflines with overhanging eaves, sprawling porches, and designs that

expressed their construction through exposed structural beams and rafter tails. Lush gardens with terraces and pergolas further integrated these homes into their surroundings.

Charles and Henry Greene were this style's most influential designers. The brothers had studied woodworking and metalworking at Saint Louis' Manual Training School, the first American high school with an Arts and Crafts-based curriculum, then architecture at MIT. They moved to Pasadena, California and formed their own firm in 1894. Greene and Greene soon developed a thoroughly unique architecture blending the Arts and Crafts Movement's emphasis on handcraft and structural expression with Japanese design. The firm's Blacker House (1907) and Gamble House (1908) were total works of art, from carefully detailed exteriors to custom, handmade furnishings.

A NEW AMERICAN ARCHITECTURE

Greene and Greene's works, along with California's distinct regionalist style, represented a new kind of American architecture inspired by a uniquely American landscape. As The Craftsman declared in 1908, "Taken all in all, the domestic architecture of the Pacific coast. in its different phases, has grown close to the ideal, since it has succeeded in eliminating nearly all qualities that do not make for health, happiness, and beauty, and in doing so has come to be a living art." The California bungalow became distilled into countless pattern book designs that could be replicated from coast to coast, and the Craftsman style as we know it today was born.

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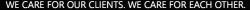


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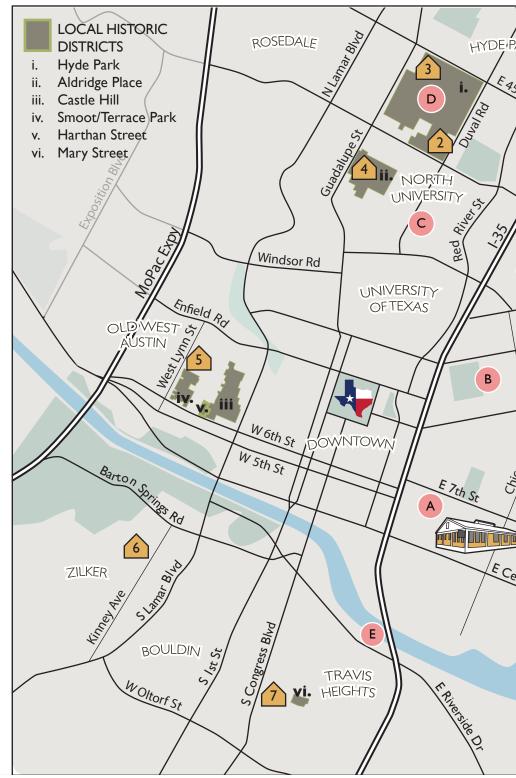


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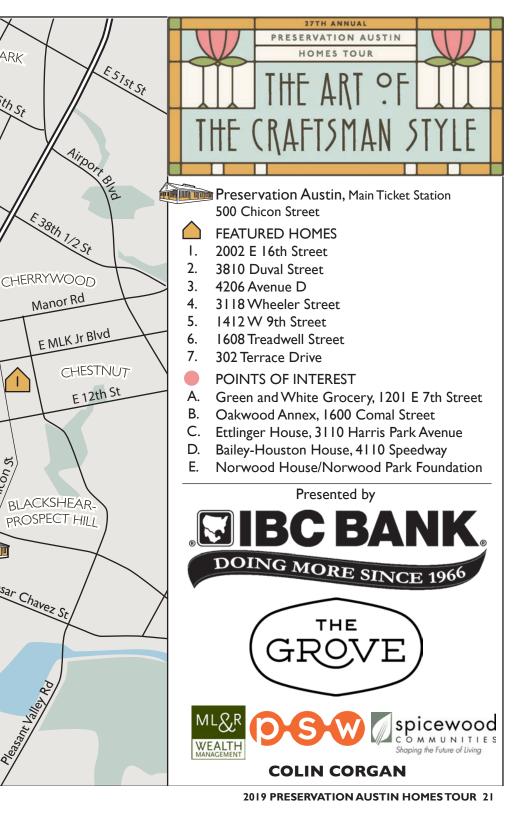
This 2017 Preservation Merit Award winner features its original built-in bookcases and sideboard, exposed shiplap walls and ceilings, and formal pocket doors. Architect Erica Keast Heroy and her husband David purchased the home for their family of four in 2015. She designed its stunning rear addition and master suite taking the house from a 2/1 to a 3/2. Modern fixtures and textures compliment beautifully-preserved historic fabric, making the home shine after six decades as a rental property.

Veola Young purchased the house from a University of Texas auction in 1954 and moved it to this Chestnut neighborhood location. Young and her husband owned East Austin's Hillside Drugstore (now Hillside Farmacy). Ulysses S. "Doc" Young was a leading African American pharmacist for much of the 20th century, while Veola worked in real estate and owned a beauty shop. Over the years their tenants on E. 16th Street included contractor Oris Winn, Sr., a former pitcher for the Negro League's Austin Palominos, and his wife Ruth. Their son Oris Jr. studied education at Huston-Tillotson University down the road.

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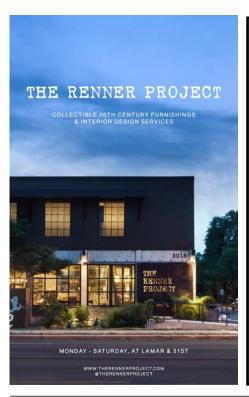
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Roy L. Thomas designed this picturesque bungalow with Tudor Revival style flare in 1927. It was one of the first completed in the Shadow Lawn Addition, now listed in the National Register of Historic Places and part of the Hyde Park Local Historic District. Thomas had just finished overseeing construction of Congress Avenue's Stephen F. Austin Hotel. His later works included the Streamline Moderne Bohn House (1938) and East Austin's Ebenezer Baptist Church (1954).

Original owners J.E. and Sena Proctor moved to Austin in 1918 upon J.E.'s appointment to the newly-established state Industrial Accident Board, charged with reviewing and settling workers compensation claims. He ran an insurance claims service for two decades and made a short-lived investment in highend Moon Motor Cars around the time they commissioned this house. The Proctors' daughter lived here until 1958.

Paul Carapetyan, owner of remodeling firm Expert Service Inc., purchased this labor of love in 1988. He and wife Julia Spann have preserved extensive historic fabric ranging from push-button light switches to original Belgian roof tiles. Echoes of a midcentury remodel include a pink bathroom and yellow countertops. The breakfast room features original peacock wallpaper, and the beautiful organic garden has played host to over fifty species of birds.

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4206 AVENUE D

This distinctive home stands in the Hyde Park Local Historic District. Of all the homes on this year's tour, its broad verandah and pyramidal roof bear most resemblance to the original bungalows of Colonial India. Mrs. May Brownlee commissioned the home in 1912 after moving from Burnet to Austin to be with her four children attending The University of Texas. Its American Foursquare interior shows Colonial Revival and Craftsman style influences, including diamond-sashed windows, towering Doric columns, and original light fixtures.

Christine and Ted Huston purchased the house in 1991 with a meticulous eye towards restoration, period-appropriate updates, and a gorgeous collection of art and furnishings. Early improvements peeled away carpet and linoleum, and a 1994 den expansion features salvaged architectural remnants from demolished homes in Dallas and Houston. Clayton & Little designed an elegant 2017 addition with a breakfast booth framed by custom stained-glass windows. The lush Arts and Crafts-inspired garden features Asian and native Texas plantings along with a massive entrance gate, also by Clayton & Little. The Renner Project designed the gorgeous, recently-completed interiors, with eclectic period pieces spanning the late 19th to mid-20th centuries.

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3118 WHEELER STREET

This stately home earned high praise as an "Artistic Bungalow-Craftsman House" from *The Austin Statesman* in 1914. Architect Leslie Iredell designed this, along with its near twin next door at 3120 Wheeler, before leaving Austin for a long career in Tampa, Florida. His clients were W. M. Harris and W.A. Keeling, two young lawyers both appointed state assistant attorneys general in 1912.

Longtime residents included Judge Ossa Shivers Lattimore, a highly-respected prosecutor and state senator who served on the Texas Court of Appeals; and E. R. Sims, a Spanish and philosophy professor at The University of Texas at Austin who came here after teaching in Cuba.

By 1984, though, the vacant house was suffering from extensive rain damage and structural issues. Investor John Barkley saved it from likely demolition with a 1987 Preservation Merit Award-winning rehabilitation. In 2002 Paul Lamb Architects designed the gorgeous, historically-sensitive remodel you see today. John and Medora Barkley have since made this their family home and it now contributes to the Aldridge Place Local Historic District. The house features both old and new, from an incredible 54 historic windows to a modern swimming pool.

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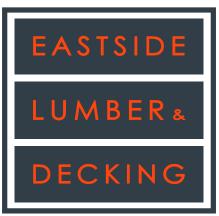
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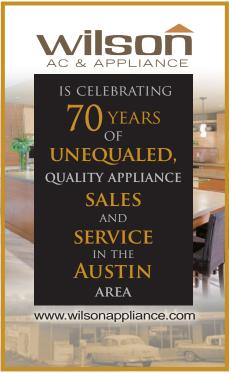
Ernest and Irma Wilde built this classic Old West Austin bungalow soon after their marriage in 1916. Both were first-generation Germans from prominent families, and Wilde enjoyed a distinguished career as the city's premier piano tuner. Their home's unique features include its shaped rafter tails and Tudor Revival style false half-timbering. Its longleaf pine came from the Becker Lumber Company, run by Ernest Wilde's brother. Wilde's father, a prosperous cabinetmaker, likely built the casework still preserved in the home's kitchen.

The Wildes lived here for 55 years, raising three children along the way. The Three Geese Antique Store occupied the house next before it returned to a private residence in the 1990s.

Erin and Matt Thompson purchased this City of Austin Landmark exactly one-hundred years after it was built. Beautiful Craftsman style features include windows, doors, and hardware; the butler's pantry and hearth; built-in bookcases with leaded glass doors; and exposed roof beams. The Thompsons removed drywall to reveal gorgeous shiplap walls and renovated second floor bedrooms and children's play space for their family of six. Their home stands in the West Line National Register Historic District as well as the newly-created Smoot/Terrace Park Local Historic District.

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1608 TREADWELL STREET

Harmony Grogan, principal of Pluck Architecture, and her husband Jacob Scheick purchased this working-class bungalow in South Austin's Zilker neighborhood in 2009. Constructed at the height of the Great Depression in 1936, its late Craftsman-era design distills the style into a gabled entrance awning with oversized brackets and 3/I wooden window screens. This was a good starter home for a young family; its first tenants were electrician Howard L. Duff, his wife Mildred, and their six-year-old little boy. The 1940 United States Census shows their rent at \$18 per month.

Room-by-room projects have maximized the home's tiny footprint. Custom built-in bookcases and wood features add storage and texture in keeping with the Craftsman ethic. The owners removed drywall to expose shiplap walls and ceilings; built out a modern kitchen and attic office; and have preserved beautiful longleaf pine trim and the original brick hearth. A new paint scheme and landscaping brightened the exterior. All updates have embraced the honest simplicity of this increasingly rare housing type.

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302 TERRACE DRIVE

This 1928 bungalow was one of the earliest in Travis Heights' historic Blue Bonnet Hills subdivision. Real estate broker William E. Richey lived here with his family until 1935, when they moved to the 1890 Moore-Williams House up the road. Wife Florence Donahoe Richey was a prominent Austin educator whose 40-year career included a nationally-recognized home economics curriculum. She led the city's nutrition program during World War II and organized a massive Victory Garden along Lady Bird Lake.

Later residents included Fidencio Soria, the first Mexican Consul to Austin, who lived here in 1940. A series of solidly middle-class families followed.

Carolyn and Bob Gee purchased the home in 2009. Its light-filled interiors feature original hardwood floors and a working fireplace flanked by built-in bookcases. Their 2016 addition with Duckworth Custom Homes expanded the house by 600 square feet while preserving its scale. The project created a seamless transition between old and new by incorporating extensive reclaimed materials. A new screened porch and two new bathrooms feature vibrant encaustic tile imported from Nablus, West Bank. Murray Legge Architecture designed the home's new landscaping.

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Norverto Lopez opened this beloved East Austin institution in 1936. The building today looks much as it did then, with a massive jerkinhead gable and distinctive signage. Green & White Grocery served the area's thriving Mexican American community and is a significant neighborhood landmark along with Our Lady of Guadalupe



Church and the stunning Casa de Sueños. The Lopez family lived in an apartment behind their store early on, and later opened the Green & White Courts motel nearby. Their daughter Olga married employee John Casares in 1955. The couple inherited the store in 1971 and furthered its reputation for handmade tamales alongside Mexican imports. John Casares, Jr. assumed Green & White's leadership in 1993. His *yerberia* now offers religious herbs, votives, and other spiritual goods.

B. OAKWOOD CEMETERY ANNEX LADIES RESTROOM

This perfect little building shows the Craftsman style's influence expressed in the most unexpected places. The Oakwood Cemetery Annex opened in 1915 and architect Hugo Kuehne designed this ladies restroom several years later. By the early 2000s the building was in desperate shape, with rotting wood and gaping holes making way for a vulture's nest inside. The



City of Austin's Parks and Recreation Department (PARD) completed its gorgeous restoration in 2014 with grant support from Save Austin's Cemeteries and the Texas Historical Commission. The project rebuilt the building's roof and carefully restored

POINTS OF INTEREST

missing brackets, rafters, windows, and doors. This success helped launch PARD's stellar Cemetery Master Plan, and Preservation Austin honored the project with a Preservation Merit Award in 2016.

C. ETTLINGER HOUSE



This gorgeous 1912 home, clad in cypress shingles and surrounded by live oaks, exemplifies the "rustic" California bungalow. Hyman and Rosebud Ettlinger purchased the house in 1919. Dr. Ettlinger was chair of the mathematics department at The University of Texas at Austin and a leader in Austin's Jewish community. Rosebud had degrees in botany and

bacteriology and their son Martin was an organic chemistry prodigy. The Ettlingers lived here for 67 years. They built its stone wall to keep neighborhood cows out of Rosebud's garden, and added its two-story wing in 1927. The house sat vacant for 15 years after the Ettlingers' death and advocates have saved it from demolition more than once. Today it is a City of Austin Landmark and listed in the National Register of Historic Places.



D. BAILEY-HOUSTON HOUSE

Charles H. Page, one of Austin's most important architects of the early 20th century, designed this classic Craftsman style home around 1915. The house's overlapping gables, sprawling footprint, and cobblestone masonry set it apart from the more compact pattern book bungalows of the era, most intended for narrow city lots. Dr. Edward Bailey

and his wife Fannie inherited this stylish Hyde Park site from her parents who lived next door. A quick comparison with the Ettlinger House shows how wide-

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ranging the Craftsman style could be; the two homes would fit comfortably into *The Craftsman*'s "California Bungalow" features yet could not feel more different. Preservation Austin supported this City of Austin Landmark's rehabilitation with a 1994 grant and holds a preservation covenant to further ensure its protection.

E. NORWOOD HOUSE



Illustration by Elizabeth Day (Courtesy of the Norwood Park Foundation)

Ollie and Calie Norwood established this dramatic South Austin estate with views of downtown in 1922. "Norcliff" featured Japanese-inspired flare along with a gazebo, pergola, greenhouse, terraced gardens, and spring-fed swimming pool. The Great Depression diminished the family's finances but their home became a well-loved neighborhood gathering place for family picnics and children's swimming lessons. Its prominent site,

however, made Norwood House a constant target for redevelopment. The house was stripped in 1984 before the City of Austin purchased it for parkland. Decades of passionate community advocacy culminated with the 2012 founding of the nonprofit Norwood Park Foundation. This public-private partnership is working to restore the house and grounds for event space. Preservation Austin supported their incredible efforts with a 2017 grant to fund schematic and civil engineering plans for Norwood's grounds.

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