

October 2023

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District of Columbia Awards for Excellence in Historic Preservation

Tuesday, November 14 | 7:00 - 9:30 pm In-Person, DAR Constitution Hall



The DC Preservation League invites you to attend its 20th Anniversary Celebration of the District of Columbia Awards for Excellence in Historic Preservation. This widely-anticipated community event will be hosted by the Daughters of the American Revolution at DAR Constitution Hall.

The 2023 awards will be presented in the following categories: Design and Construction; Volunteerism; the State Historic Preservation Officer's Award; and the Historic Preservation Review Board Chair's Award. The program will include a special commemoration of past award winners—a celebration of projects and individuals that have been critical to historic preservation in the District of Columbia through the past two decades.

NOTE: This is an in-person event and will not be live-streamed. Please register only if you plan to attend. A recording of the program will be made available following the event. This event is free and open to the public. Attire is Business Casual.

Register Here

Exploring Eternity: DC's Historic Cemeteries (Bus Tour)

Saturday, October 28 | 10:30 AM - 4:00 PM In-Person, 1924 Vermont Avenue NW



Have you explored any of DC's historic burial grounds? Join the DC Preservation League this October for an engaging bus tour that will highlight three historic cemeteries in the District: Woodlawn Cemetery, Mount Olivet Cemetery, and Rock Creek Cemetery. Hop on board for a day of adventure with a catered lunch and personalized tours offered by a variety of guides. Book your spot today and discover the hidden gems and timeless tales of Washington, D.C.'s historic cemeteries. Whether you're a history enthusiast, nature lover, or simply seeking a unique adventure, our tour promises to be a captivating and educational experience for all.

This program has a flat ticket cost of \$65 for DCPL members and \$80 for non-members. Ticket price includes a catered lunch. Register online as space is limited!

Register Here

New Date: Crab Feast 9

Saturday, October 21 | 12:00 - 3:00 pm



You can still attend the annual Crab Feast, co-hosted by the DC Preservation League and the <u>Capital Pride Alliance</u> at the historic <u>Washington Canoe Club</u>, which is now scheduled for <u>Saturday</u>, <u>October 21st</u>.

This event takes place entirely outdoors, with canoes and paddle boards available for adventures on the water. Space is limited, so sign up today!

Reserve Your Spot

Landmarks Update: Swedish Ambassador's Residence

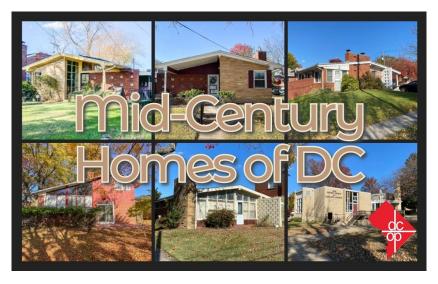


The Spanish Colonial Revival style former Swedish Ambassador's Residence at 3900 Nebraska Avenue NW. Photo by Zachary Burt.

Earlier this month, the DC Preservation League and Square 1596 Partners LLC submitted a historic landmark nomination for the former Swedish Ambassador's Residence at 3900 Nebraska Avenue NW. The Spanish Colonial Revival style building was designed by Arthur B. Heaton and completed in 1924 for David Lawrence, who founded U.S. News and World Report. The home was purchased by the Swedish government in 1950 and would be the site of many important diplomatic receptions and galas over the decades, attended by many famous Washingtonians. Although the Swedish government owned the property until early 2023, the nomination's period of significance ends in 1972, when diplomatic relations between the US and Sweden were briefly interrupted over disagreements related to the Vietnam War. The nomination argues for significance under National Register Criteria A (events/history) and C (architecture).

Read the Pending Landmark Nomination Here

DC Historic Sites: Mid-Century Neighborhoods Tour



Calling all architecture and DC history lovers! OP's <u>Historic Preservation Office</u> has launched a NEW self-guided tour of mid-century houses that is on the DC Historic Sites website and app. Organized by neighborhood clusters, you can select one area or hop around the city. The tour includes stops at the following neighborhoods: Chain Bridge Road and University Terrace, Forest Hills, Eastland Gardens, Crestwood, Chevy Chase, Michigan Park, Hillcrest, and Timberwood.

Click Here for the Tour

UNITED IN PRESERVATION: LGBTQ+ FRIENDS & ALLIES Join Members of the DC Preservation League, Capital Pride Alliance, and other Past Forward attendees, to meet and mingle with like-minded preservationists interested in the preservation and protection of queer history and LGBTQ+ resources. **November 9th** 6:00-8:00 PM **Annie's Paramount** Steakhouse

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