Membership



2026 Annual Meeting And Preservation Awards Ceremony

Duluth Preservation Alliance

Annual Meeting

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

Duluth
Preservation
Alliance

Vision: Protect the past and inspire the future.

Mission: Being stewards of our historic places
by advocating for the past. Offering education and sustainable solutions to the Duluth area community.

Values: Education • Stewardship • Vision • Community

2025 Board of Directors

Lori Melton, *President*

Blake Romenesko, *Vice President*

Patrice Bradley, *Secretary*

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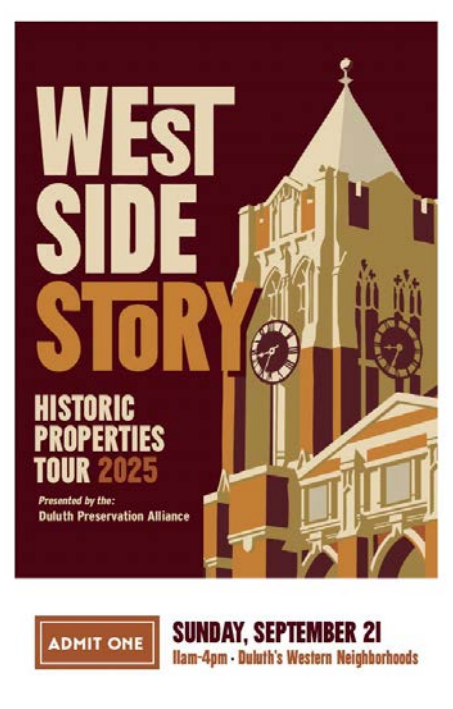
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Annual Meeting Agenda

- **President’s Report**
- **2025 Minutes**
- **Treasurer’s Report**
- **Donor Recognition**
- **DPA Rebrand**
- **Election of 2026 Officers**
- **Adjourn**

President's Report

Events + Programs







Historic Paint Colors
with Ann Gumpper



Heck of a New Deal
with Brian and Sue Matuszak



Walking Tours



Tour of St. George’s
Serbian Orthodox Church



Incline Stairs Signage



Rummage Sale Fundraiser

2025 Annual Meeting Minutes

PO Box 161438
Duluth MN 55816

Duluth Preservation Alliance
2025 Annual Meeting Minutes

Location: West Theatre, Duluth
Date: Monday, May 19, 2025, 5:15 PM

A crowd of approximately 100 people attended the Duluth Preservation Alliance Annual Meeting and Awards Ceremony on May 16. The following items were presented and approved.

1. **Approval of the** 2024 Annual Meeting Minutes - Presented by Blake Romenesko
    a. Motioned
    b. Seconded
    c. The Motion is Carried

2. **Annual** Treasurer's Report - Presented by Peter Lee
    a. Motioned
    b. Seconded
    c. The Motion is Carried

3. **Election of Officers** - Presented by Blake Romenesko
    President - Lori Melton
    Vice President - Blake Romenesko
    Secretary - Patrice Bradley
    Treasurer - Peter Lee
    a. Motioned
    b. Seconded
    c. The Motion is Carried

4. **Motion to Adjourn the Annual Meeting** - Presented by Blake Romenesko
    a. Motioned
    b. Seconded
    c. The Motion is Carried

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Treasurer’s Report

DULUTH PRESERVATION ALLIANCE
Treasurer's Report
Source and Use of Funds
For Period May 1, 2025, through April 30, 2026

Beginning balance as of May 1, 2025		**$ 36,187.24**
Source of funds:		
Tickets and sponsorships for historic property tour	$6,527.48	
Tickets to holiday party	$2,000.00	
Tickets to sponsored programs	$1,468.24	
DPA donations	$3,882.38	
Sale of East End Walking Tour booklets	$75.00	
DPA Rummage Sale	$747.00	
Bank interest	$1.56	
Total source of funds		14,701.66
Use of funds:		
Cost of historic property tour	($2,864.02)	
Cost of holiday party	($2,170.07)	
Annual Award program	(2,909.12)	
Incline Path Signs	(3,485.00)	
Other programs	(847.40)	
Donations to others	(1,500.00)	
Administrative expenses	(13,736.50)	
Total use of funds		(27,512.11)
Ending balance as of April 30, 2026		**$ 23,376.79**
Future commitments:		
Website Redesign	($2,500.00)	
Incline Path Fund	($2,689.00)	
DPA Grant Program	($4,500.00)	
Uncommitted funds		**$ 13,687.79**

Net Activity	
Net revenue of historic property tour	$3,663.46
Net cost of holiday party	($170.07)
Net revenue of Rummage Sale	$747.00
Net donations	$2,382.38
Net program costs	($2,288.28)
Net sales of East End Walking tour booklets	75.00
Net administrative expenses	(17,219.94)
Total change in balance	**($12,810.45)**

DULUTH PRESERVATION ALLIANCE
Treasurer's Report
Balance Sheet
As of April 30, 2026

Assets

Cash on Hand	$23,376.79
Book Inventory	$444.36
Donated Goods	$85.00
Total Assets	**$ 23,821.15**

Liabilities

Incline Path Fund	($2,689.00)
DPA Grant Fund	($4,500.00)
Accounts Payable	($2,500.00)
Total Liabilities	**($9,689.00)**

Total Net Assets	**$ 14,132.15**

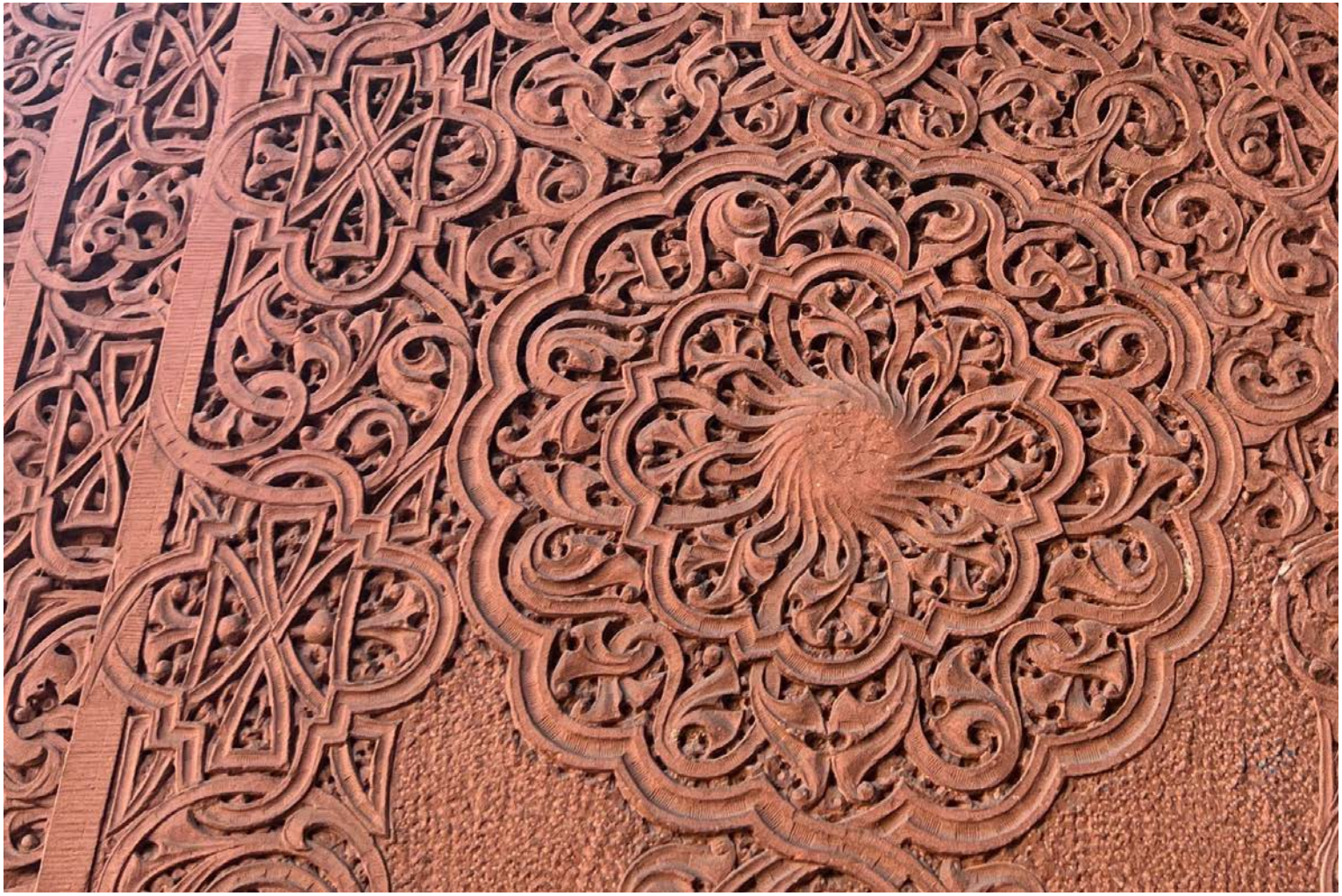
Recognition of Donors

DPA New Look

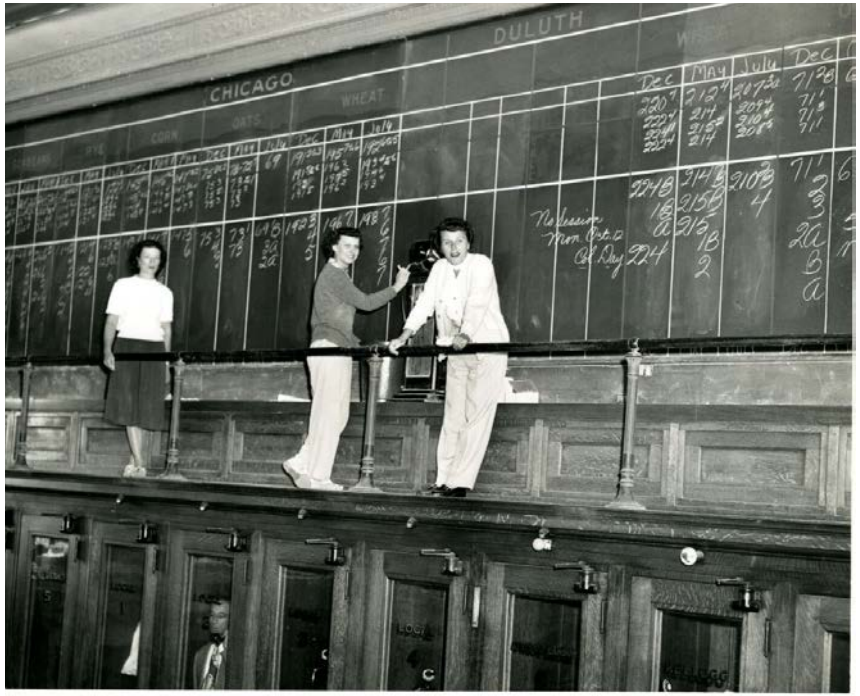
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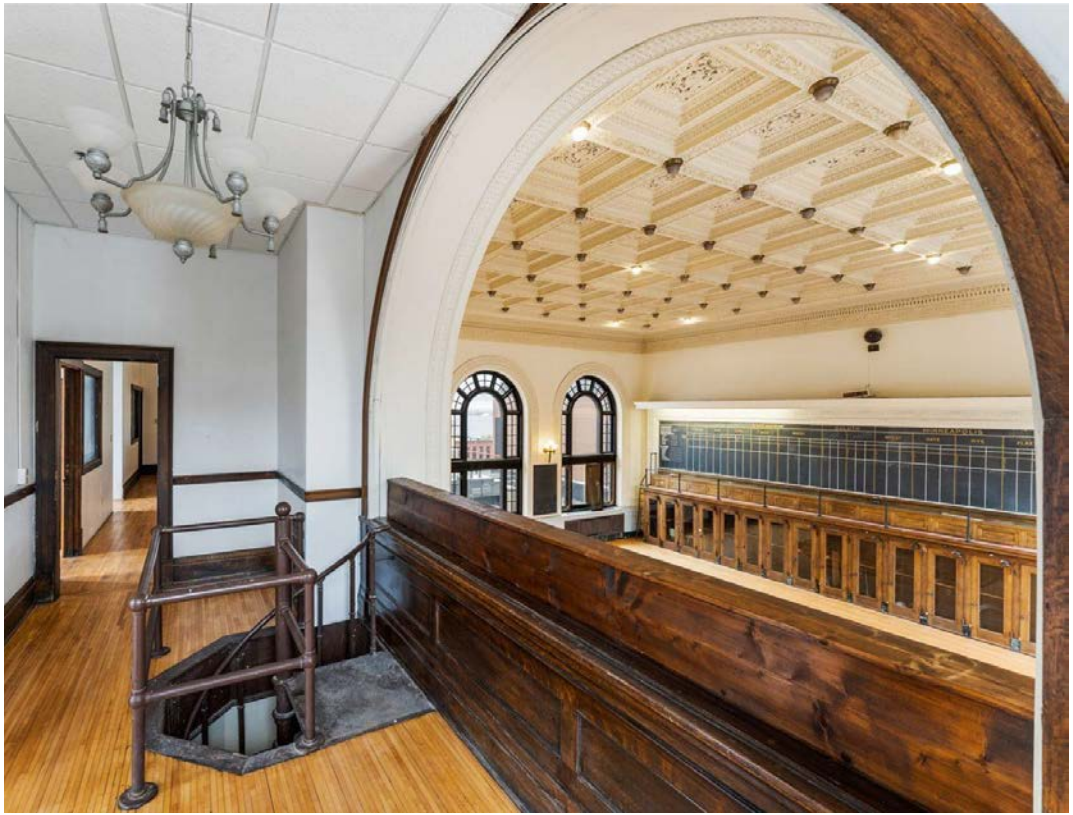



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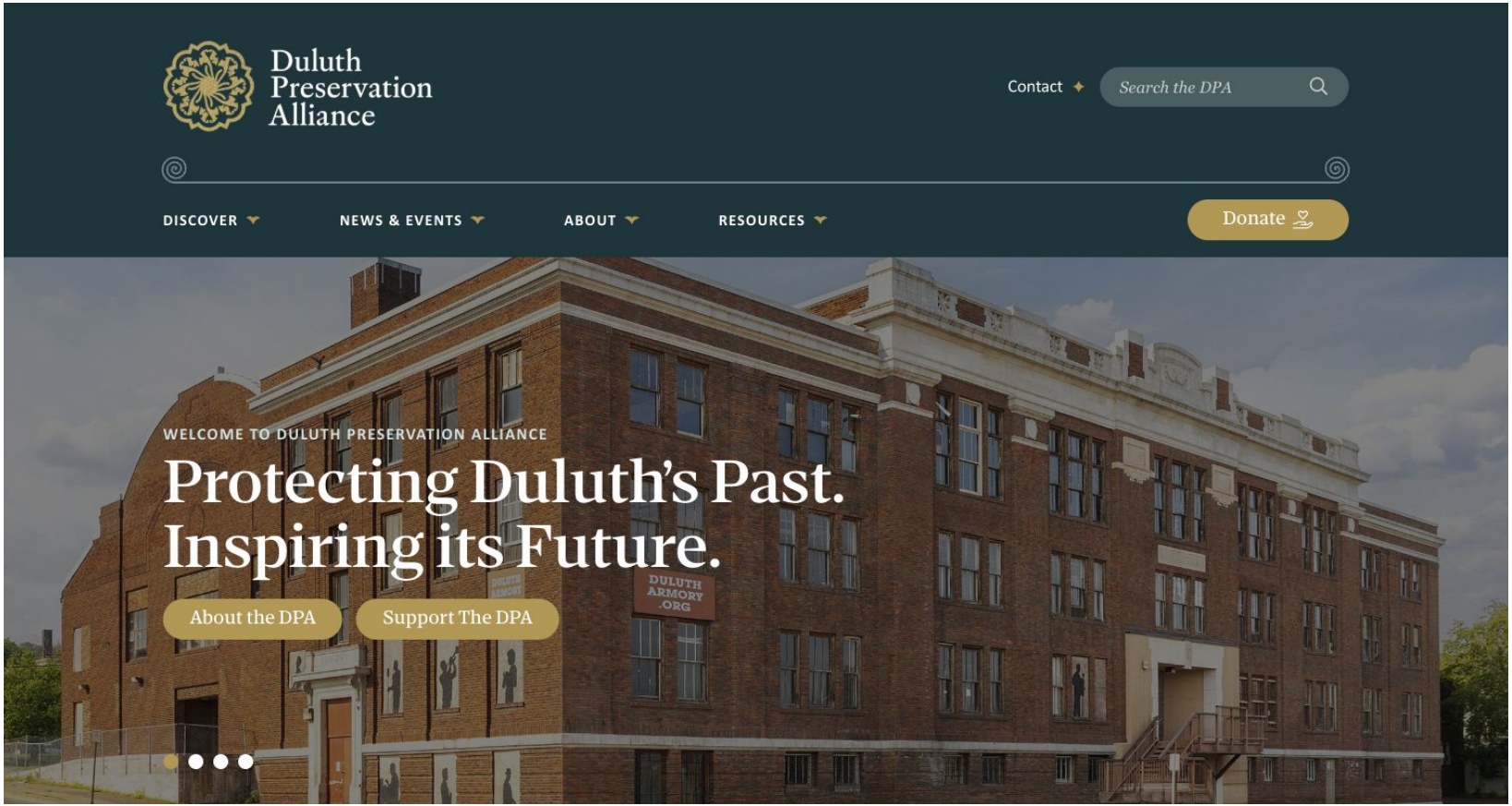

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RESOURCES CRAFTSPEOPLE

Explore Local Craftspeople

Exploring local craftspeople through the Duluth Preservation Alliance connects homeowners with skilled artisans who specialize in repairing historic homes. From masonry to woodwork, these experts help preserve original character while ensuring lasting repairs rooted in traditional craftsmanship.

Get Involved

ABOUT ✦ GET INVOLVED

Make a Difference in Duluth's Story

There are many ways to support the Duluth Preservation Alliance's mission—from joining a committee to volunteering at events or helping share our mission itself. Whether you're interested in hands-on involvement, advocacy, or behind-the-scenes support, there's a place for you to contribute and make an impact.

Join a Committee

Our committees are the heart of the Duluth Preservation Alliance, driving our programs, advocacy, and outreach. Each offers a unique way to contribute your time and expertise.

Endangered Places Committee

Our advocacy arm, the Endangered Places Committee identifies and researches historic sites at risk each year, producing the Duluth Preservation Alliance's *10 Endangered Places* list. This work raises public

👉 Be Featured on the Annual Tour

Interested in having your home or property featured on the DPA Annual Properties Tour? Held each year on the third Sunday of September, the tour highlights some of Duluth's most unique and historically significant homes. If your property has distinctive architecture, craftsmanship, or a compelling story—and you're open to sharing it—we'd love to hear from you.

Email the Chairs

Local History Blog

ABOUT ✦ FROM THE ARCHIVES

From Lost Landmarks to Local Legends

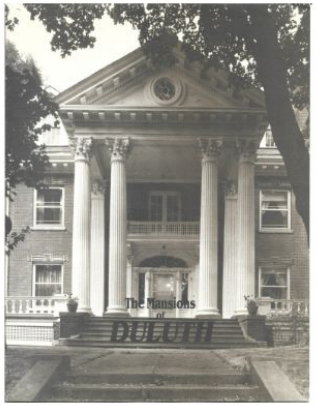
The Local History Blog explores the people, places, and stories that shaped Duluth — from historic landmarks to forgotten spaces and community memories. Through local insight, photographs, and preservation stories, we celebrate the Northland's rich heritage and the importance of keeping it alive for future generations.

Contribute A Story!

The Local History Blog is a space for community members, historians, preservation advocates, and local storytellers to share interesting and historic content that keeps Duluth's history fresh. **Interested in contributing a story? We'd love to hear from you.**

Contact Us

LATEST POSTS



Mansions of Duluth

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In Memoriam

Election of Officers

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Vice President: *Patrice Bradley*
Secretary: *Blake Romenesko*
Treasurer: *Peter Lee*

Adjourn

Raffle Prizes!

Awards Ceremony

2026 Centennial Awards

Julius & Harriet Barnes House

Centennial Award

Address: 25 South 26th Avenue East
Built: 1904
Architect: William Hunt
Owners: Peter & Kelly Lee









George, Jr. & Hildegarde Barnum House

Centennial Award

Address: 2220 East 4th Street
Built: 1916
Architect: William Bray
Owners: Bruce Blehart & Irene McCurdy



C. Francis, Jr. & Beatrice Haley House

Centennial Award

Address: 3431 E 1st Street
Built: 1925
Architect: Francis H. Fitzgerald
Owners: Beverly & Victor Morcos



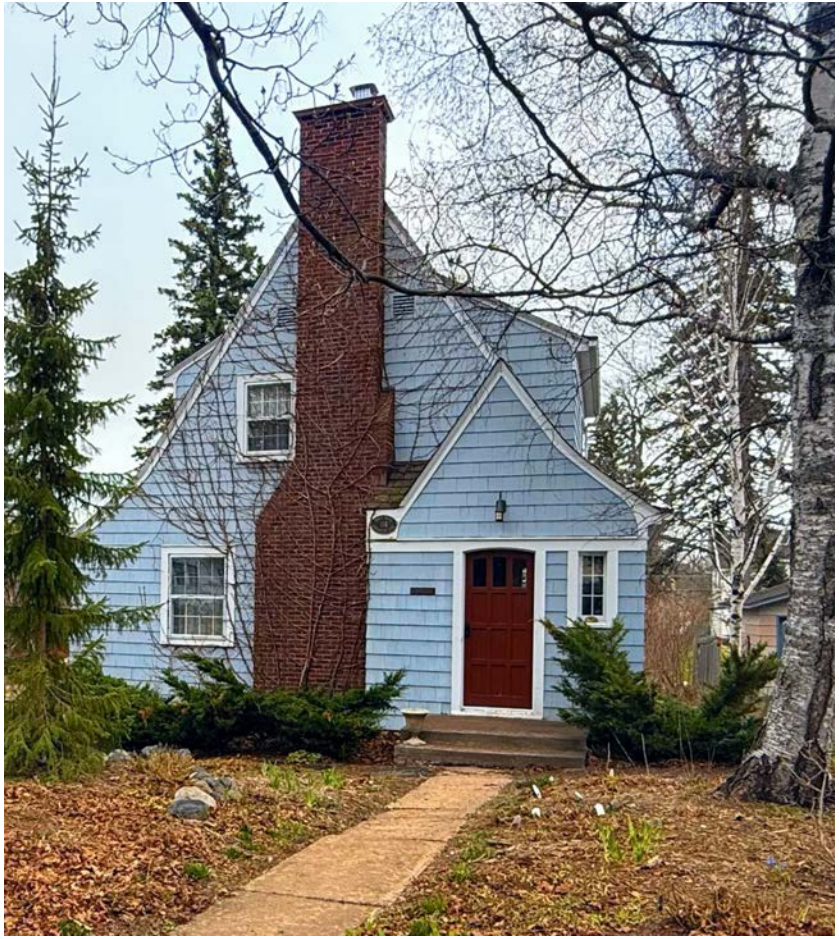


Miss Corah Colbrath House

Centennial Award

Address: 114 Greenwood Lane
Built: 1926
Architect: Starin & Melander
Owner: Bonnie Krohn





2025 Letters of Recognition

I. Vernon & Cora Hill House

Letter of Recognition

Address: 2220 East Superior Street
Built: 1902
Architect: I. Vernon Hill
Owners: Jake Mueller & Barb Montee

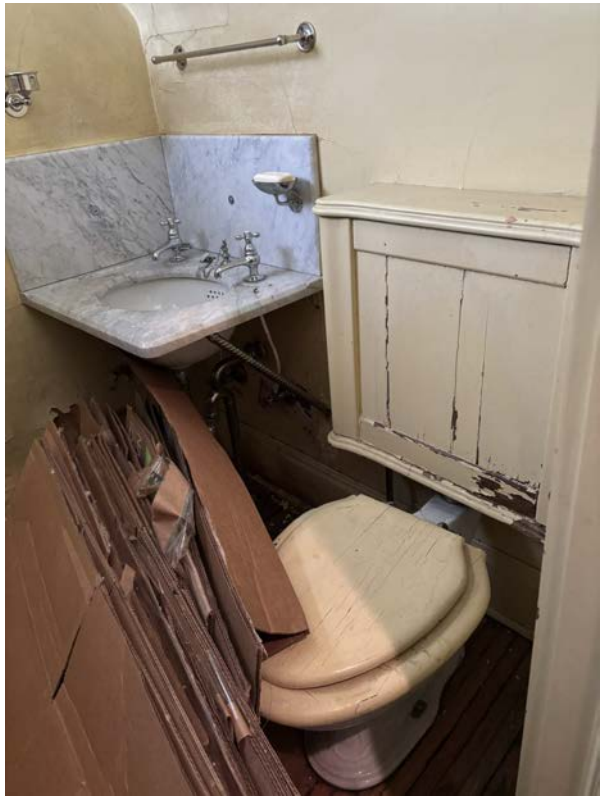









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GRIFFIN HOUSE

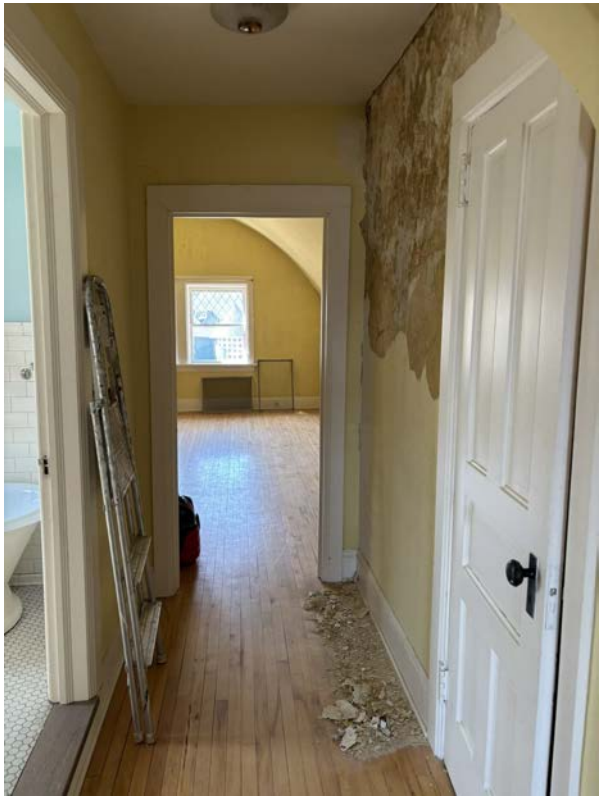









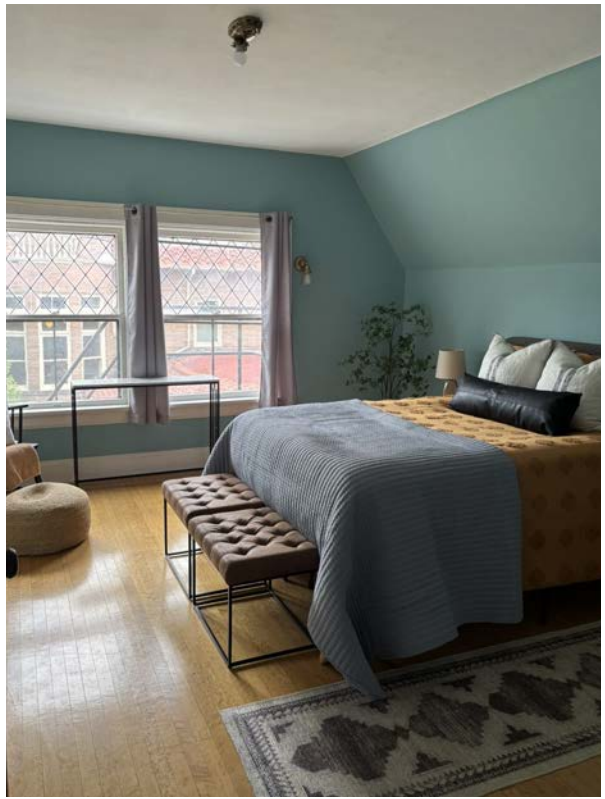






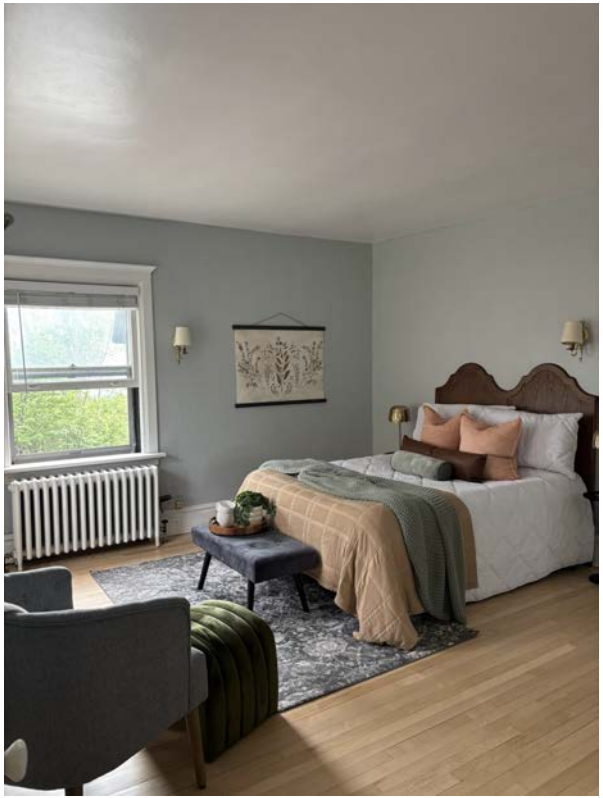










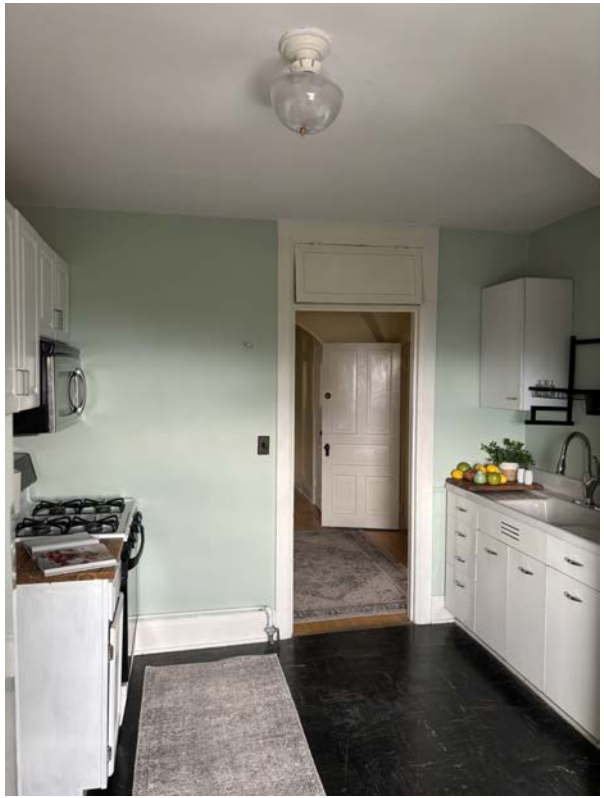


















Carl & Hilda Ahl House

Letter of Recognition & Centennial Award

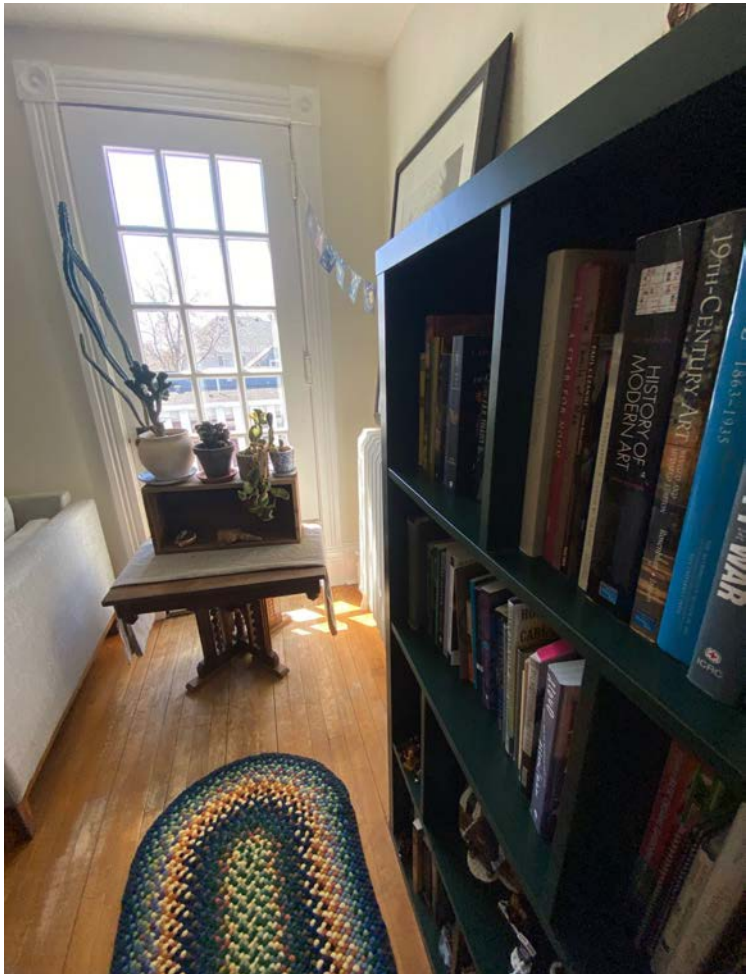
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Built: 1903
Builder: Carl Ahl
Owners: Owen & Liz Fifield

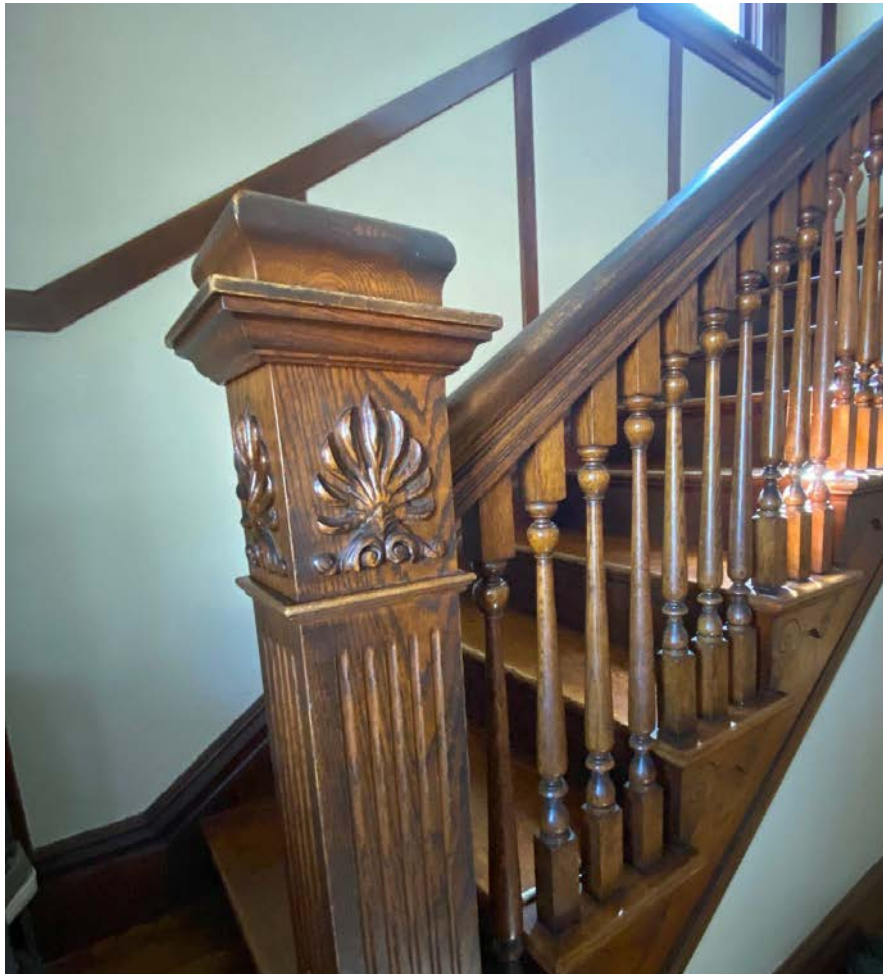

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HISTORY OF MODERN ART




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Sigurd & Agnes Rhode House

Letter of Recognition & Centennial Award

Address: 1225 West 1st Street
Built: 1914
Owners: Andy Matson & Chelsy Whittington

























Lincoln Carnegie Library

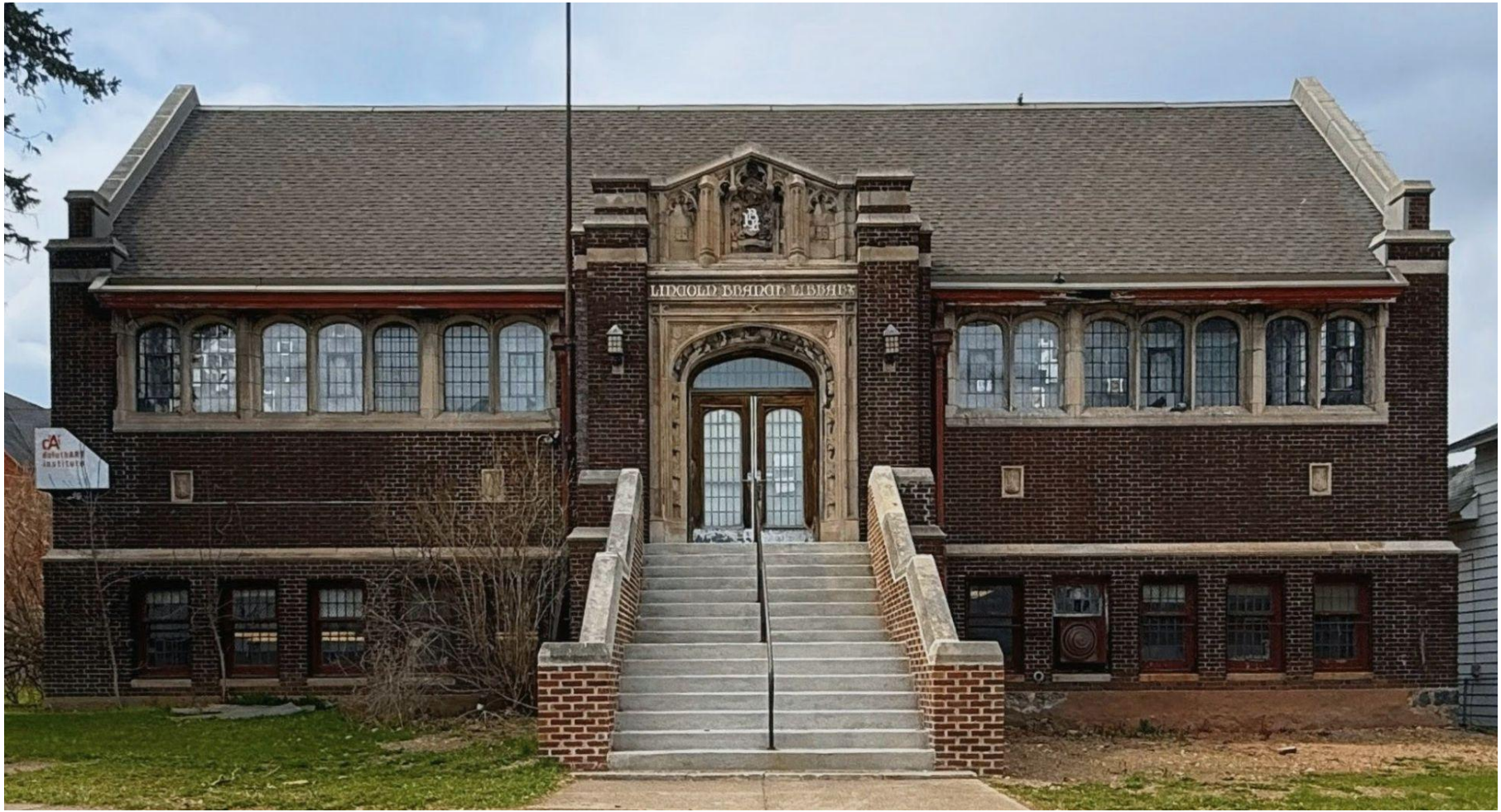
Letter of Recognition

Address: 2229 West 2nd Street
Built: 1917
Architects: Holstead & Sullivan
Owner: Duluth Art Institute
Restoration Contractor: Alliance Masonry








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2025 Preservation Awards (Plaques)

Brook Terrace (Brewery Creek Apartments)

Restoration Award

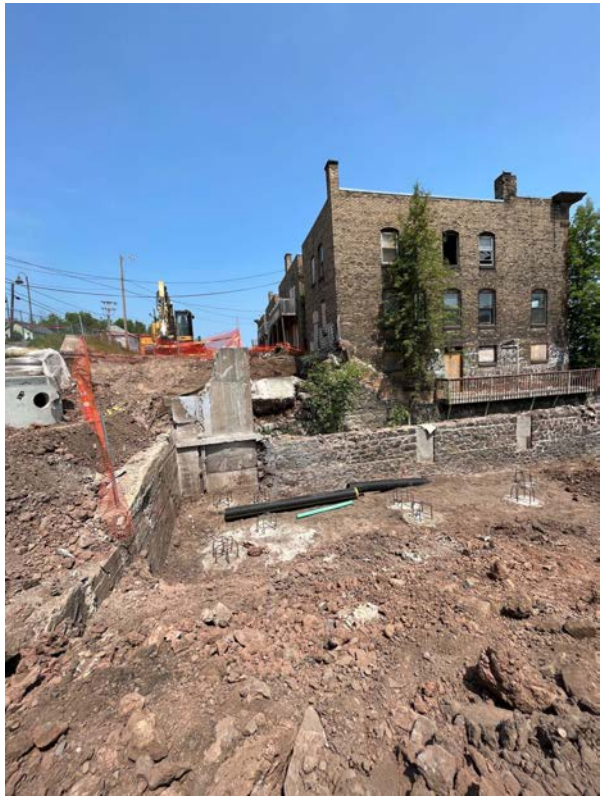
Address: 627 East 4th Street
Built: 1902
Architects: Young & Nystrom
Owner: Mike Schraepfer - Heirloom Property Management





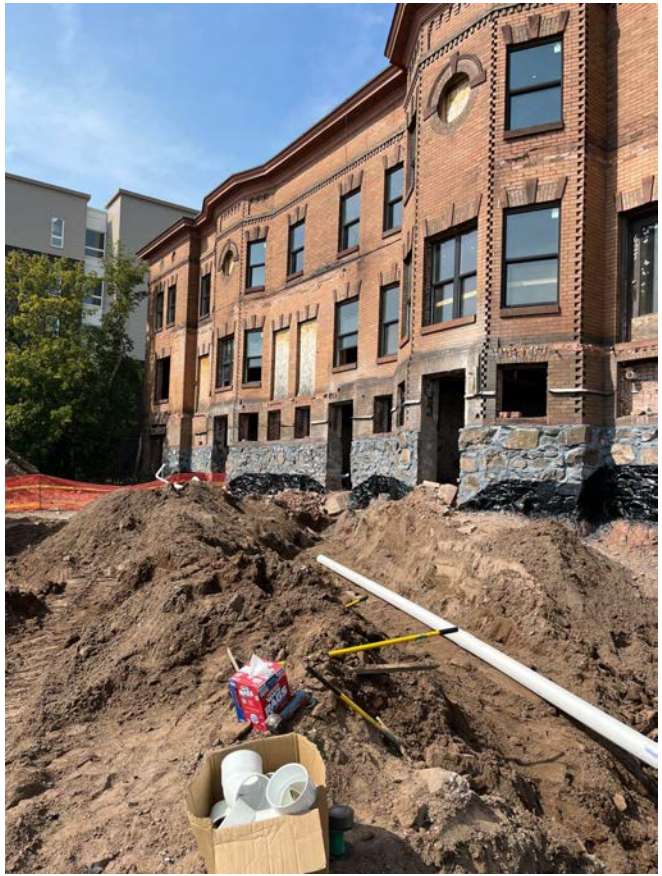




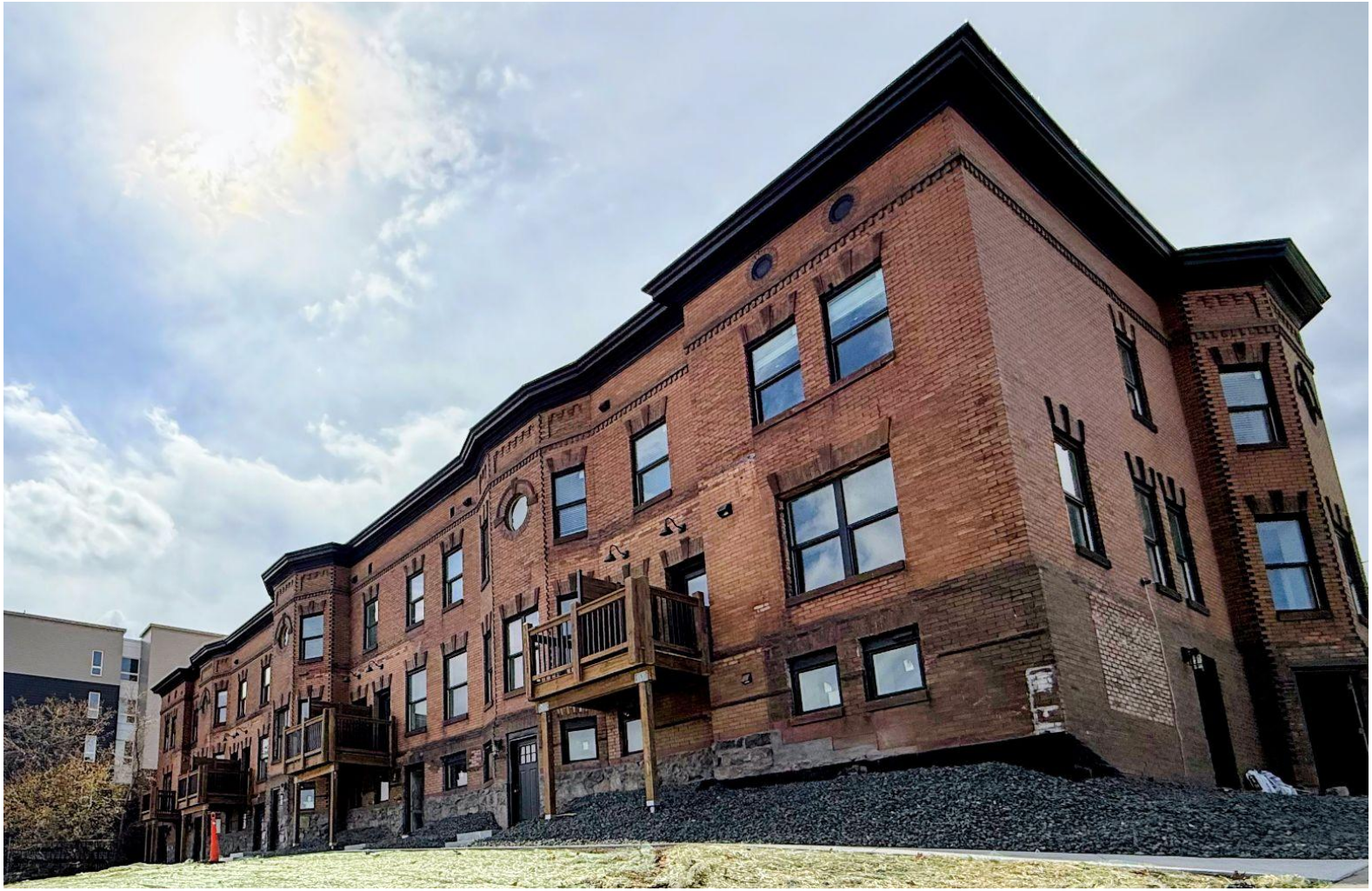




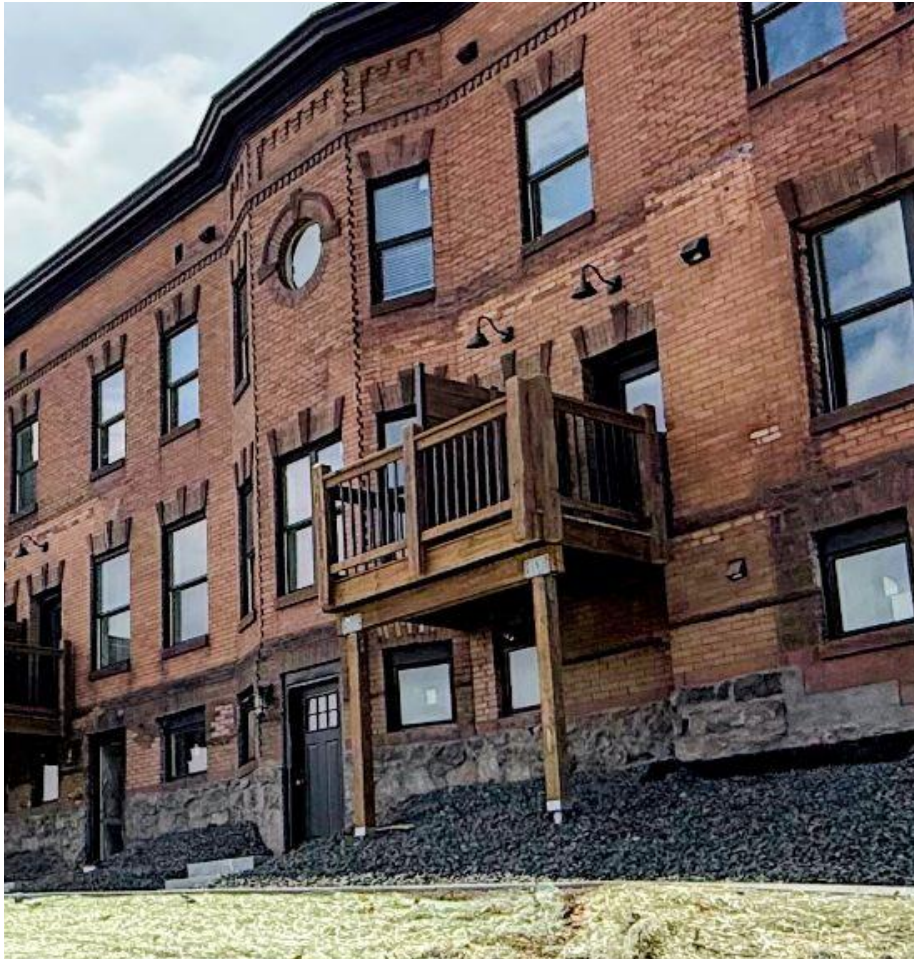










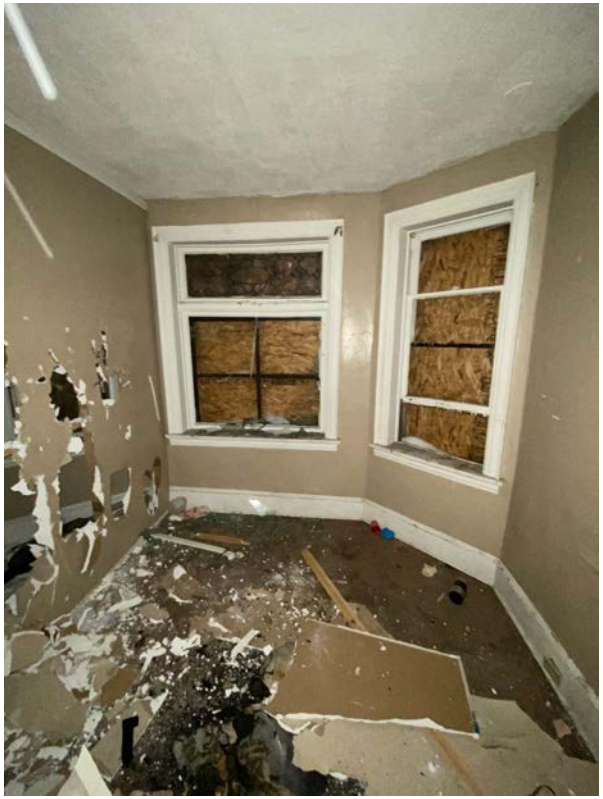


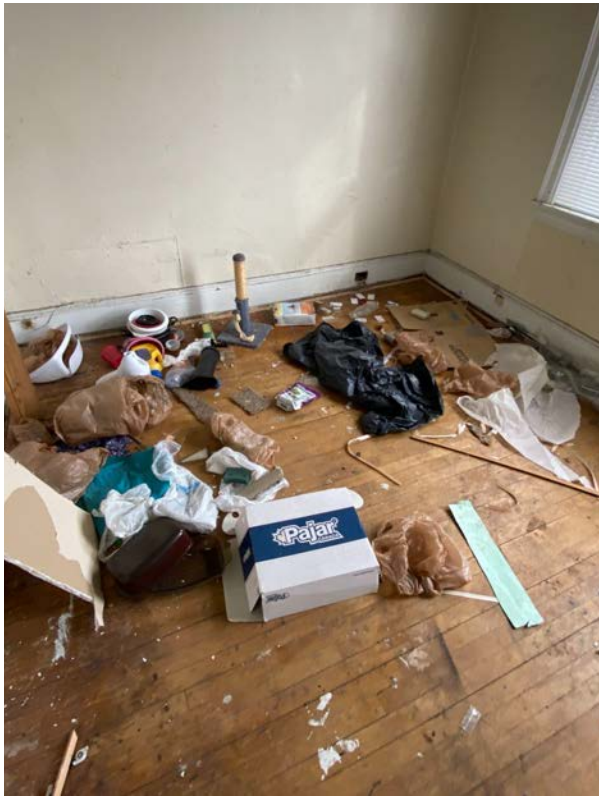


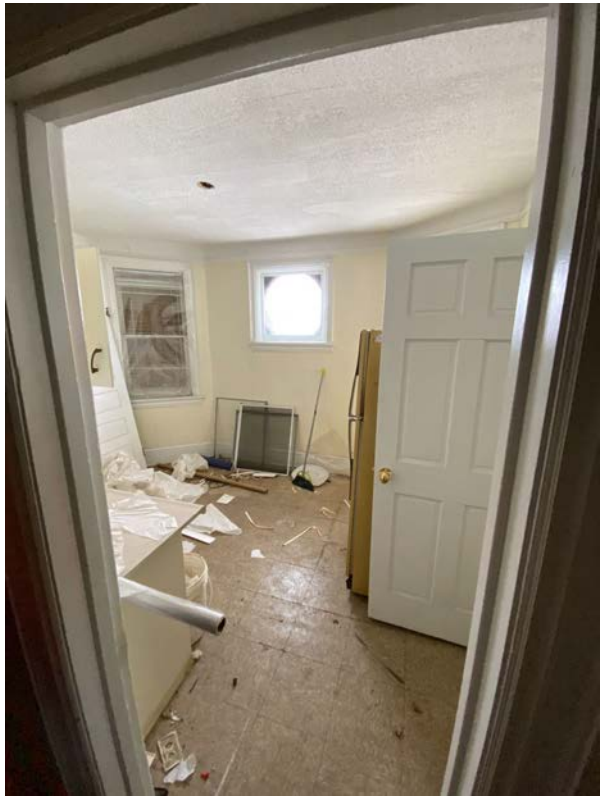


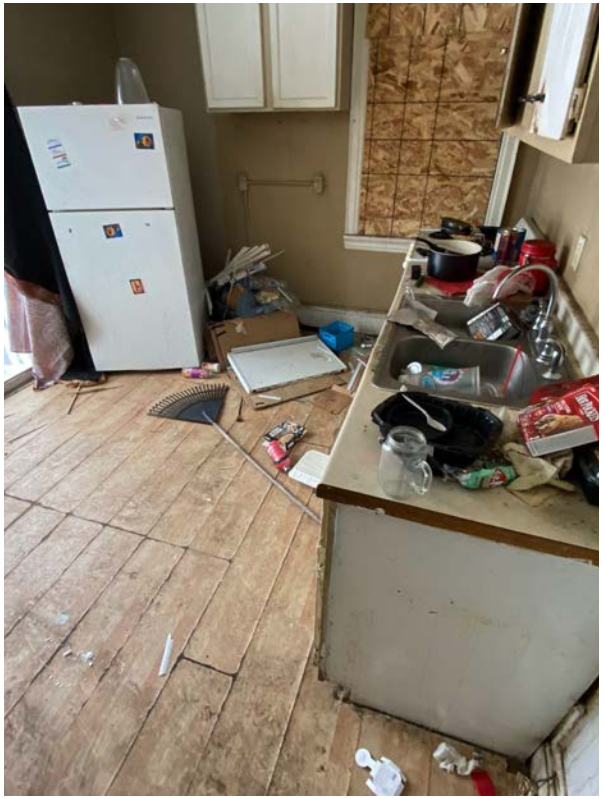






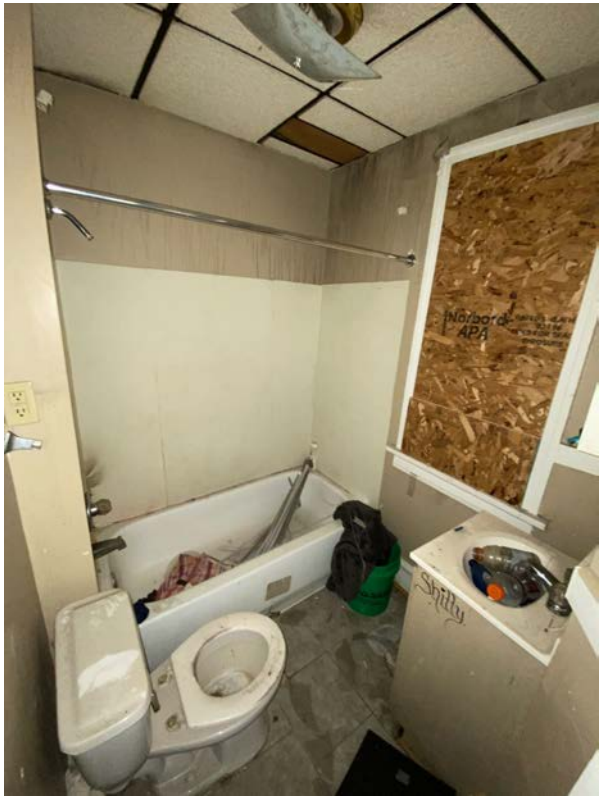

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Joseph & Louise Cotton House

Restoration Award & Centennial Award

Address: 2309 East 1st Street
Built: 1906
Architects: Kees & Colburn, Minneapolis
Owner: Mike Schraepfer - Heirloom Property Management

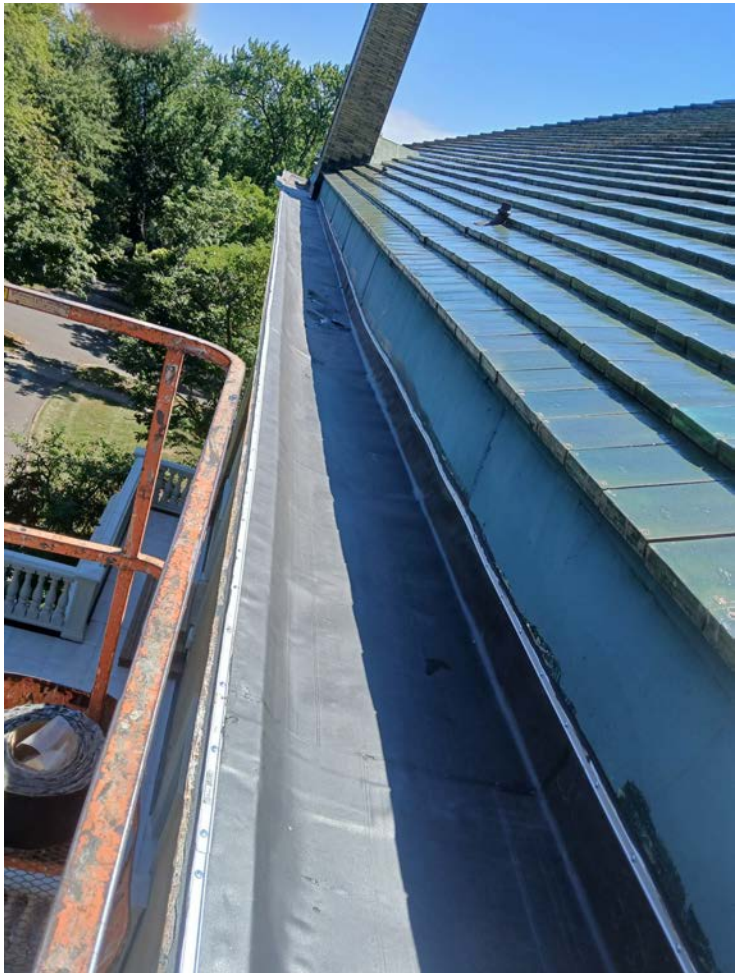












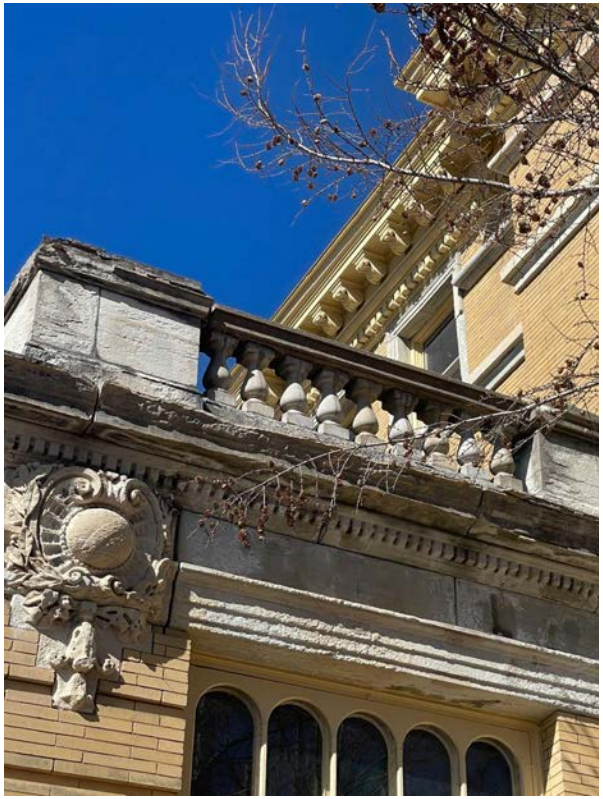

























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John Davis House

Restoration Award & Centennial Award

Address: 4623 Gladstone Street
Built: 1908
Owners: Lori & Ryan Melton



























































William & Jane McCabe House

Restoration Award & Centennial Award

Address: 2125 Abbottsford Avenue
Built: 1914
Architect: Arthur Hanford
Owners: Christopher & Maria Davies



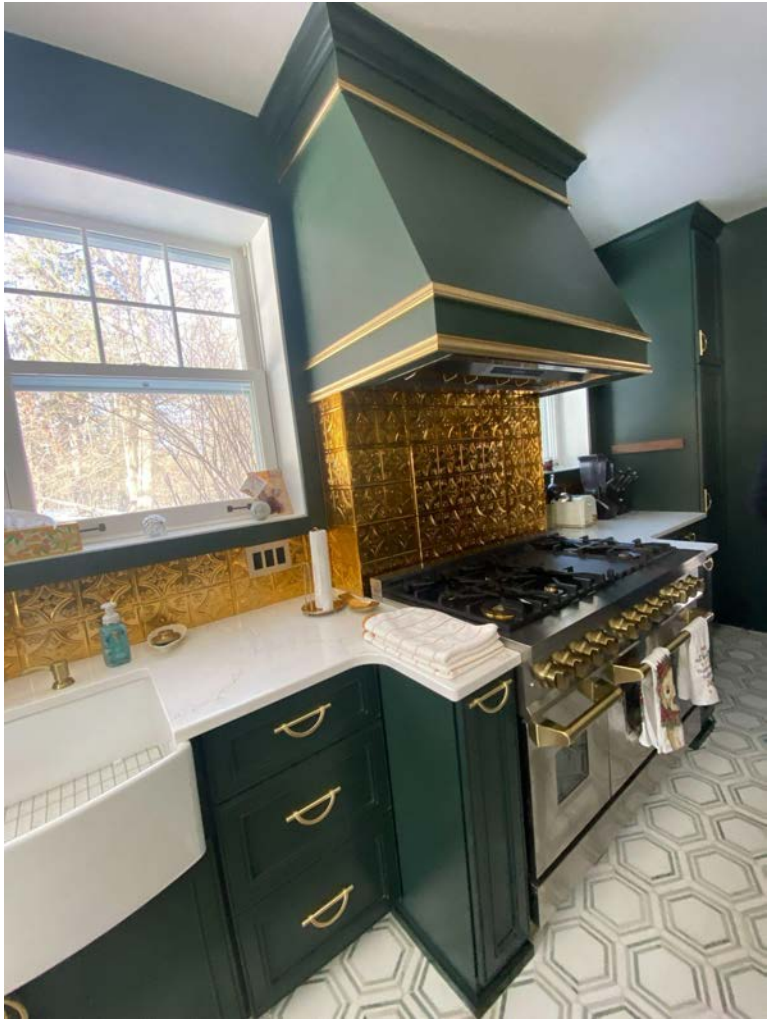



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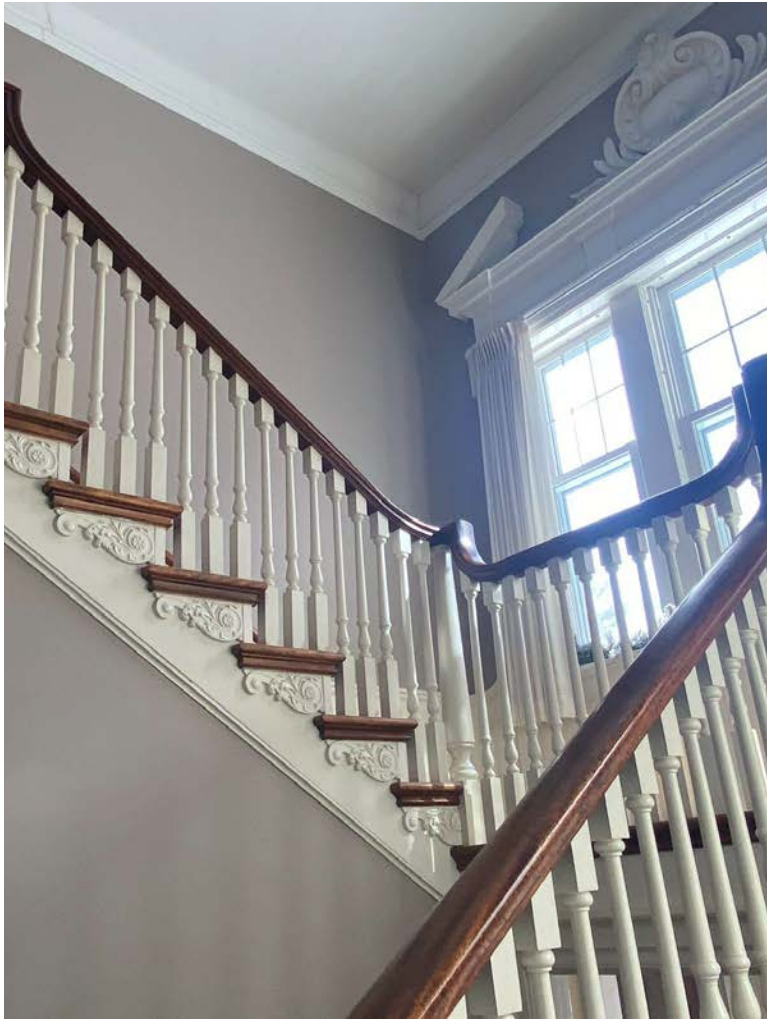


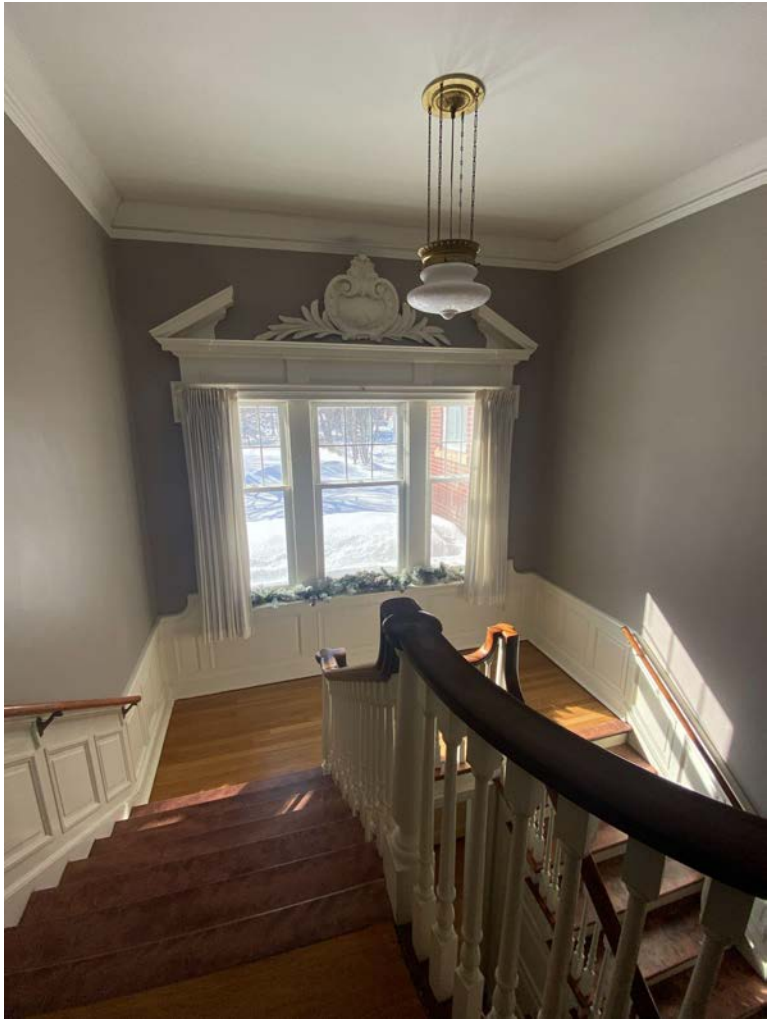






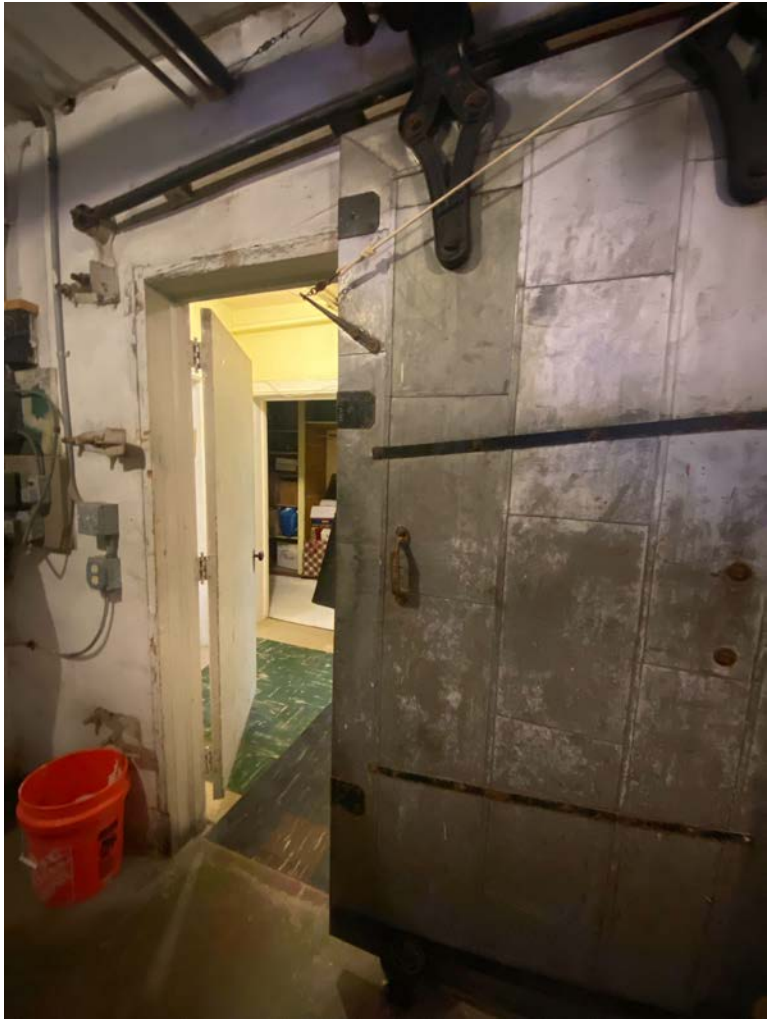


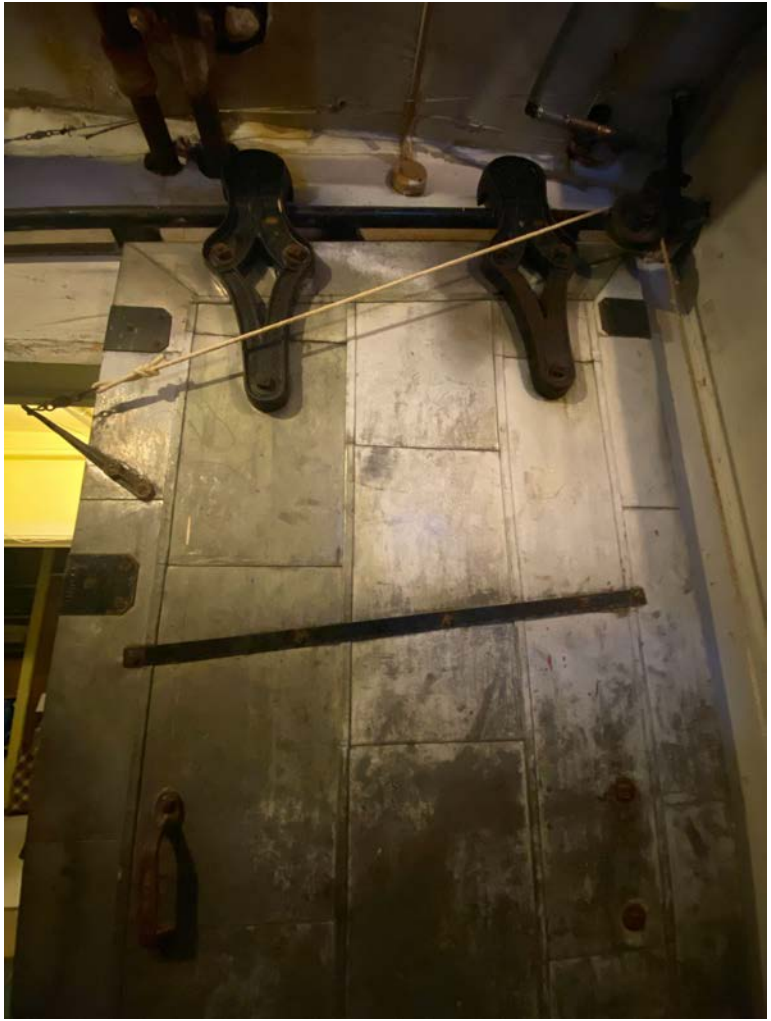




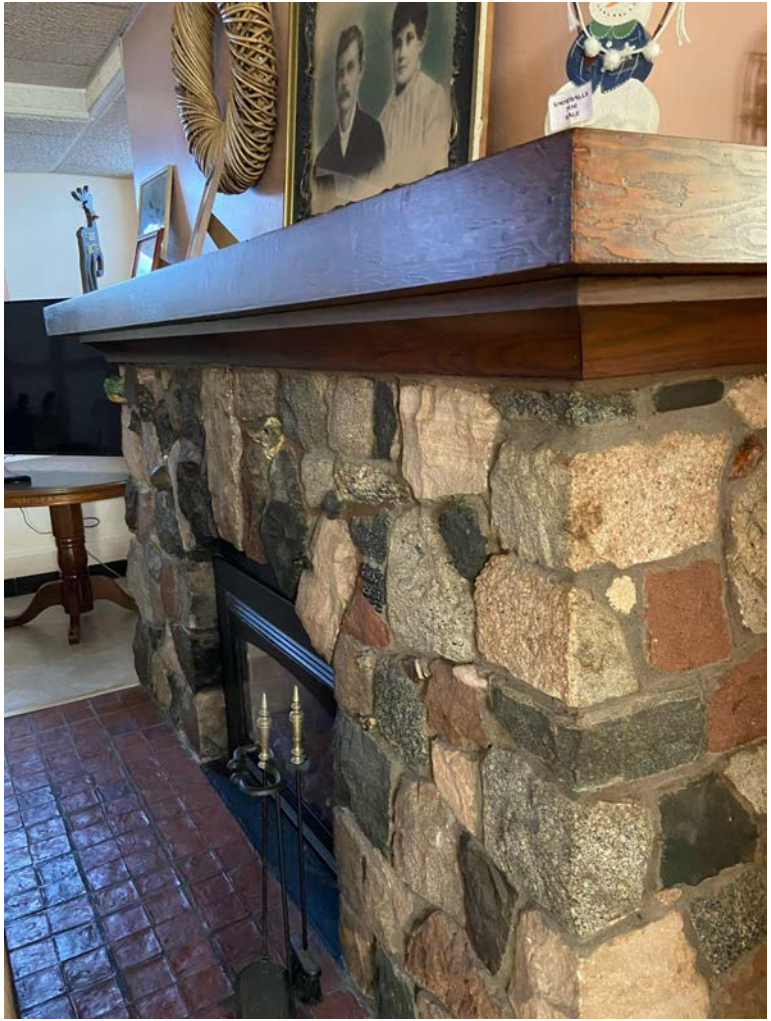













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John & Sarah Coad House

Restoration Award & Centennial Award

Address: 4619 West 7th Street
Built: 1923
Owners: Peder Yurista & Patricia O'Hara



























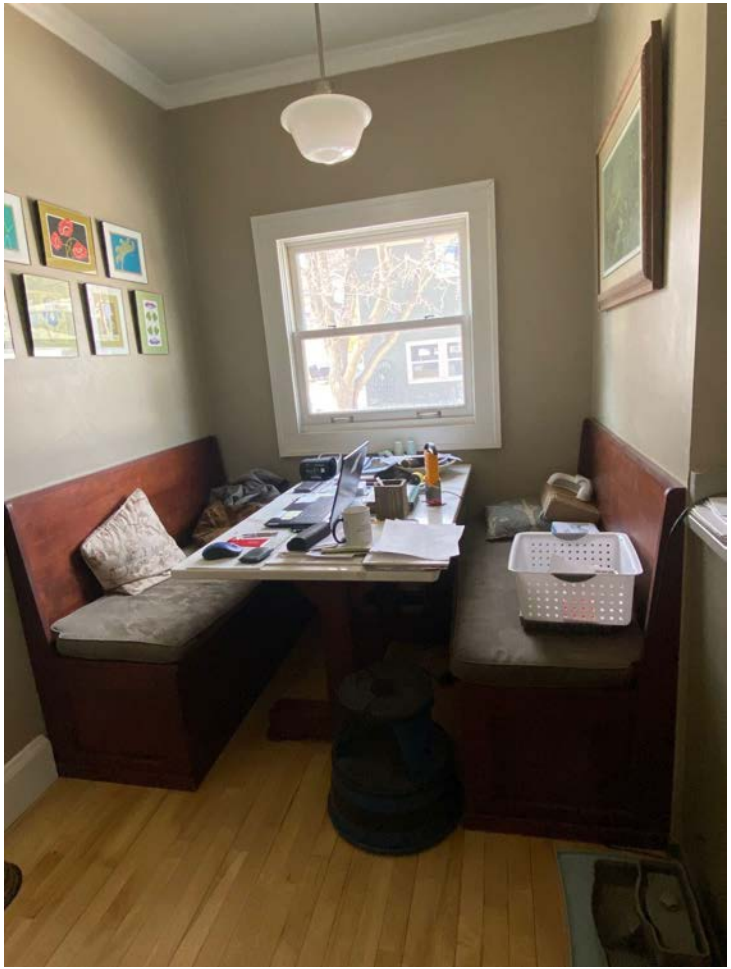
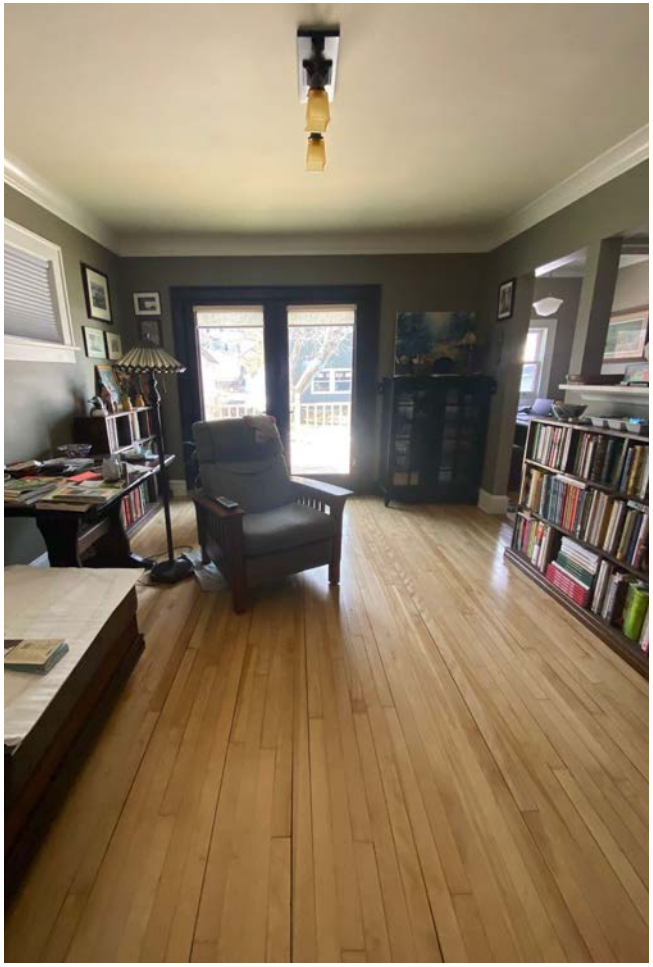

























Alhambra Vaudeville Theater & Photoplay

Restoration Award

Address: 321 North Central Avenue
Built: 1913
Architects: Wangenstein & Giliuson
Original Owner: C.F. Beier
Owner: Bob Boone


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NEW SHOW TO-DAY
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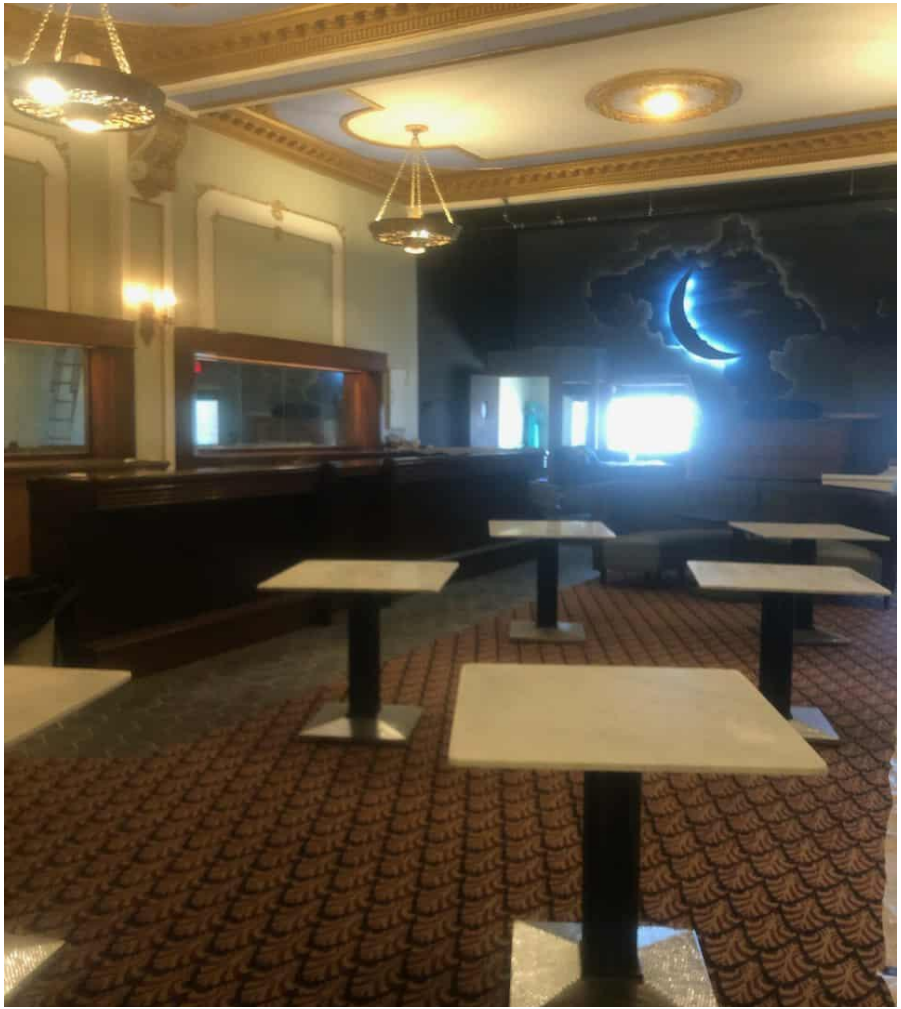

QUILT SHOP
QUILTER'S COOP
Child of Ours


Alhambra
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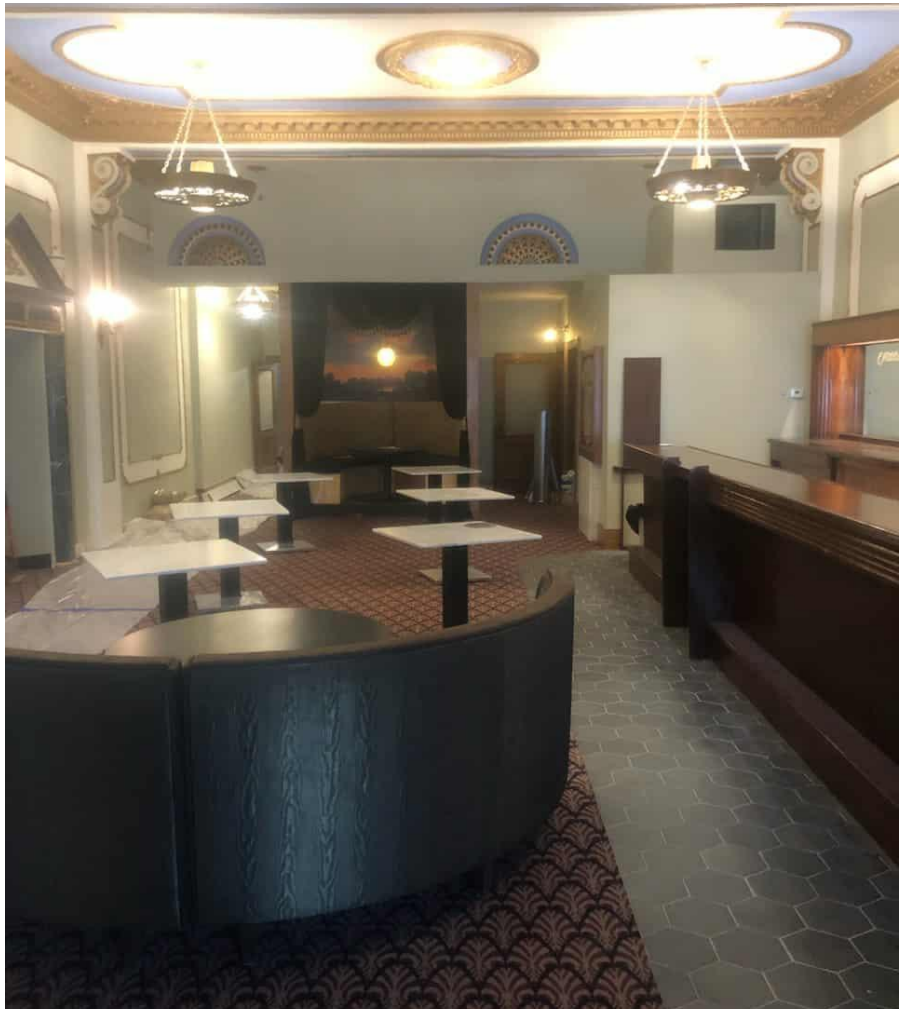













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VAUDEVILLE


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VAUDEVILLE
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Duluth Public Library

Kathryn A. Martin Library Archives & Special Collections

City of Duluth Building Services

Aimee Brown, *Librarian*

The Awards Committee:
Bob Berg, Sandy Burgstahler, Keith Haugen, Peter Oase, Doug Stevens, Patrice Bradley, Amy Rieschl

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