

For Immediate Release:

Pasadena Heritage Presents: 2018 WALKING TOURS

Throughout 2018 Pasadena Heritage will offer several walking tours of our city's Landmark Districts. Tours include exteriors only. Starting locations and parking information will be available upon purchase of tickets.

Price for each tour: \$18 nonmembers, \$15 members

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Old Pasadena Historic District

Saturdays January 6, February 3, March 3, April 7, May 5, June 2, July 7, August 4, September 1, October 6, December 12 | 9:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

Old Pasadena has gone from drab and dingy to a shopping and dining destination. Without Pasadena Heritage, this National Register Historic District would have been destroyed! Now it is one of the finest examples of downtown revitalizations in the country. Let one of our trained docents lead you through the historic neighborhood and reveal its many hidden and unusual architectural details, old alleyways, and historic signs.

Rose Villa Neighborhood *Saturday, January 20, May 19 | 9:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.*

Just east of the Caltech area, these few blocks represent Pasadena's growing "middle class" and were developed between 1913 and 1916, the tail end of the Craftsman-style era in residential architecture in Pasadena. This was a popular neighborhood for professors and others associated with the newly relocated Throop University (later to be known as Caltech), and Pasadena City College.

Madison Heights Neighborhood *Saturdays, February 17, August 18th | 9:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.*

This neighborhood is one of Pasadena's most historically and architecturally significant. Almost every one of Pasadena's famed designers is represented in this neighborhood. Greene & Greene, Frederick Louis Roehrig, Sylvanus Marston, Reginald Johnson, Heineman & Heineman, Hunt & Grey, and Louis B. Easton all designed homes in Madison Heights. Many other homes in the neighborhood were contractor-built, with the result that the neighborhood became a showcase for the builders to demonstrate what could be done on a modest scale. As a result, many of the houses have rich detail without being showy or ostentatious.

Markham Place Neighborhood *Saturdays, March 17, September 15 | 9:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.*

The Governor Markham Landmark District is one of the oldest neighborhoods in the City of Pasadena, and residences included in the district parallel Pasadena's growth from

incorporation as a city in 1886. Ninety-four percent of the homes were constructed between 1891 and 1933. This area became an official Landmark District in 2005 and placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2012.

Old Pasadena Pub Crawl *Saturdays, April 28, July 28, December 22 | TIME??*

Experience the history of a few famous and infamous Pasadena watering holes and haunts. This guided tour of Pasadena's original downtown includes stops at a handful of pubs, distinctive for their history, architecture, and spirits. Tour-goer's can delight in beer tastings plus little known facts and forgotten lore---a great way to get to know historic Old Pasadena!

South Grand Neighborhood and Colorado Street Bridge *Saturday June 16 | 6:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.*

The gracious and comfortable homes lining the east bank of the Arroyo Seco are built on one of the most beautiful and historic locations in Pasadena. Part of the original Indiana Colony land, it was the first area to be developed in the city. In the late 1880's and early 1890's many large, luxurious, Victorian-era homes were built along Grand Avenue, Orange Grove Boulevard and the connecting side streets. Later, two Greene and Greene-designed homes were added to this prestigious street. Ending in a cul-de-sac at Defenders Park, guests will also get to walk out onto the Colorado Street Bridge.

Pasadena's Architectural Legacy *Sunday, December 30 | 10:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.*

One of Pasadena's most beautiful neighborhoods, the Hillcrest Neighborhood tour explores various architectural styles. The Oak Knoll subdivision was intended to rival the wealthy neighborhoods of Orange Grove and the "West Side". Showcased on the tour are numerous grand estate mansions along with Craftsman homes such as the Freeman House designed by architects Arthur and Alfred Heineman, and the Blacker House designed by Charles and Henry Greene.

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About Pasadena Heritage

Pasadena Heritage is a nonprofit organization dedicated to historic preservation in and around Pasadena, California. The organization advocates on behalf of historic resources, educates the public about local history and the benefits of preservation, and demonstrates quality restoration through its own preservation projects. Its 2,000-plus members are drawn from Pasadena and neighboring communities, and throughout Southern California.