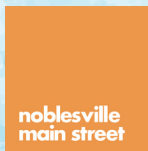


HISTORIC HOME TOUR

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WELCOME

On behalf of Noblesville Preservation Alliance, I am thrilled to welcome you to the 36th Annual Historic Home Tour. This year's tour, celebrating Hamilton County and Noblesville's Bicentennial, will highlight homes built during Noblesville's Gas Boom period (1887-1907) on Connor and Logan Streets.

Seven fantastic private residences (along with The Sheriff's Residence, The Presbyterian Church and Preservation Hall) are opening their doors to you! You will experience a glimpse of history and have the opportunity to meet some of the people who care for these historic structures.

We are grateful to all the home and business owners who graciously welcome us into their spaces. Each is an example of loving preservation and/or restoration by dedicated guardians of our shared heritage who "enrich the present by honoring the past". So, stroll down some brick sidewalks under a canopy of lovely trees in Old Town Noblesville and have a wonderful visit to our fair city!



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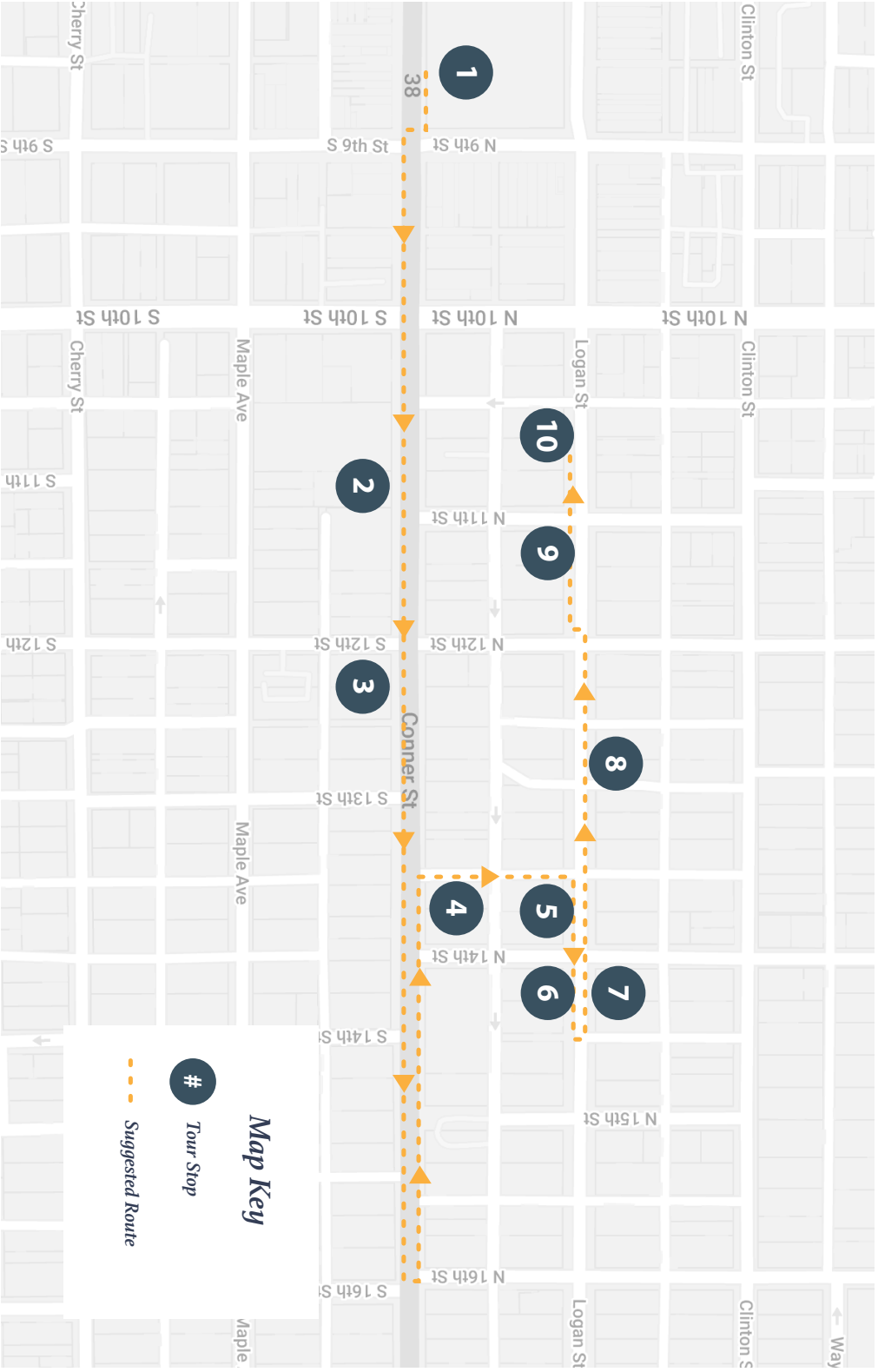
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TOUR STOPS & EVENTS

1. *SHERIFF'S RESIDENCE & JAIL - 810 Conner Street*
2. *CRAYCRAFT/ALTHOUSE HOME - 1095 Conner Street*
3. *PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - 1207 Conner Street*
4. *LOWTHER/WOFFORD HOME - 1358 Conner Street*
5. *LACY/NURNBERGER HOME - 1359 Logan Street*
6. *MAKER/PETERSON-ROBERTS HOME - 1407 Logan Street*
7. *CARLIN/SZABO HOME - 1408 Logan Street*
8. *PRESERVATION HALL - 1274 Logan Street*
9. *TRUITT/TATOM HOME - 1107 Logan Street*
10. *HEYLMANN/THEISEN HOME - 1039 Logan Street*

Special Event Stops

There will be several stops on today's tour path that have special events and activities:

*Please visit the **Presbyterian Church** at 1207 Conner Street between 11 AM – 3 PM on event day for an Ice Cream Social. Organ and piano music will also be played throughout the day.*

*Visit **Preservation Hall** (1274 Logan Street) for a special booth presented by Hamilton East Public Library (HEPL) sharing information about the Bicentennial Celebration and the Indiana Room. Exciting upcoming programs will be featured!*

Also at Preservation Hall, we will have bottled water available for purchase.



1

SHERIFF'S RESIDENCE & JAIL *810 Conner Street (c. 1875)*

Built by Williams, Gigger, and Durfee in 1875, this structure is an excellent example of the Second Empire style of architecture. The two distinct parts of the building, the residence and the jail, are obvious through the use of different building materials—limestone for the jail and brick for the residential section. Within the same building, visitors can view a well-appointed Victorian parlor and bedroom, and a back area housing a stark jail cell. With the construction of a new county jail in July of 1979, the Hamilton County Historical Society leased the jail from the County Commissioners for the purpose of creating a County Museum and Archives.



2

***CRAYCRAFT/ALTHOUSE HOME
& CARRIAGE HOUSE
1095 Conner Street (c. 1892)***

This Queen Anne wood-frame home was built by merchant Daniel Craycraft in 1892. The Queen Anne style is depicted by the square tower, wrap-around porch, and irregular floor plan. The facades utilize clapboard siding with wood stringcourses and fish scale siding to create a variety of textures. Decorative elements on the porch include scroll brackets, turned supports and spindles on the balustrade and frieze. Multi-color paint schemes reinforce the Queen Anne aesthetic.

Daniel Craycraft lived here for ten years until his death in 1902. His surviving wife Mary divided the house into apartments, which was continued by her son and subsequent owners until the 1980's. In 2015, Sara and Nathan Althouse purchased this house and returned it to a single family dwelling. They have four adult daughters: Riley, Raigan, Lillian, and Mackenzie.

The original carriage house matches the main house in style and materials and has been totally updated. Daughter Raigan, with her Great Dane Maudie, has been living here for two years and is graciously opening it up for the tour.



3

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH *1207 Conner Street (c. 1894)*

The building which houses the First Presbyterian Church of Noblesville is located at 12th & Conner Streets. The church first held services in a white frame building on the east side of South Catherine Street (now Ninth Street), just north of the present Richwine Apartment building. The brick Romanesque style church with bold bell tower, beautiful stained glass windows, and wonderful interior woodwork was dedicated on February 11, 1894. It was built at a cost of \$15,000 on land donated by William Houston Craig. The church's first parsonage is now Adriene's Flowers and Gifts. The organ that adorns the sanctuary was purchased in 1901. A Christian Education wing was added to the back of the church in February 1959. The "Craig House", which originally stood east of the church building, was purchased by the church in July 1981 for classroom and meeting space. After discovering the limitations on the house's functionality for fellowship and other ministries for a growing congregation, it was decided a new facility was needed. The Craig (a.k.a. the East House) House was moved across the street in March 1988. The new Fellowship Hall was completed in 1989 along with the renovation of the Christian Education wing. First Presbyterian is a vibrant congregation which remains an important part of Old Town.



4

LOWTHER/WOFFORD HOME *1358 Conner Street (c. 1892)*

This two-story Queen Anne Victorian house was built in 1892 by William Lowther. The elaborate ornamentation on the exterior, the irregular layout and multiple gables are typical of the Queen Anne style of architecture. Additionally, the three-sided bays and scalloped siding create a variety of textures and wall surfaces and multiple gables have carved floral designs, brackets, and medallion bands. The craftsman style porch was added in 1910 as styles changed. Beautiful leaded glass windows and front door were created around 1970 by Fox Studios. Other significant additions were the “entry/mud room” and bathroom in the back of the house and the finished attic, which is a children’s playroom. A courtyard was laid using 15,000 bricks from the “Old Country Home” and enclosed with a hand-built fence. A metal sculpture railing by artist, son-in-law, Jason Losko leads down the steps to the back yard.

The three early families who lived in this home for the first 70 years were all prominent business people: William Lowther owned a clothing store and then shoe store on the square; Don Jenkins was in the milling business for over 50 years; and, Glenn Myers owned Myers Furniture Store on the square. Richard and Debbie Wofford also owned a business on the square but are now happily retired and have enjoyed living in this beautiful historic home for over twelve years.



5

LACY/NURNBERGER HOME *1359 Logan Street (c. 1898)*

This Late-Victorian Vernacular house was constructed in 1898 by W. Frank Lacy, owner of a Hay and Seed Company. It has smooth classical columns, square balusters, an irregular roofline with multiple gables, and a wrap-around porch, all typical of Queen Anne. The front door is especially ornate with a carved wreath and garlands accents. The dark stained bead board porch ceiling remains beautifully intact. The interior was built with high-end finishes including an entry colonnade, pocket doors, a paneled staircase and larger-than-normal entertainment spaces.

Charles B. and Ida Jenkins, who was superintendent of the Model Mill and Elevator, bought this home in 1920 and lived here for forty years. He purchased uniforms for the high school team, thus they became the “Millers”. Katie and Chris Nurnberger and their four children have enjoyed living on Logan Street since 2021.



6

MAKER/PETERSON-ROBERTS HOME *1407 Logan Street (c. 1888)*

This home was built by Rebecca Maker in 1888 at the age of 78. The 1 ½ story cottage originally faced 14th Street. The west gable is longer, and it originally had porches on both sides. An outbuilding was attached via a shallow porch, often an indication of a summer kitchen. In 1918 the porches were enclosed with a craftsman style design, stucco was applied to the exterior, and a one car garage was added. In 2018 new owners Roberts and Peterson took the entire house down to the studs, turned the top of the stairs, moved the front and back doors, and added 1.5 bathrooms. They also restored the floors, added AC and a three-car garage, new deck, arbor and landscaping.

Rebecca Maker lost her husband of nearly 50 years, Peace Maker, just as they were starting this build. Rebecca completed the project and lived here for 10 years until her death. William and Mary Crawford lived here for a dozen years, he as the superintendent of Forest Park and a member of the Noblesville City Council. Then Rev. Albert Ward and his wife Rose lived here for 25 years. Darren Peterson and Jennifer Roberts purchased this home in August of 2018.



7

CARLIN/SZABO HOME *1408 Logan Street (c. 1894)*

Charles and Amanda Carlin built this house in 1894 and lived here for over twenty years. This two-story wood-framed Victorian house has a small balcony overlooking a larger, first-floor porch with turned supports, railings and ornate spandrel. Fan ornaments accent the porch entrance. It has an irregular roofline, creating gables on all four elevations, with scalloped siding and drop pendants...all contributing to the Victorian feel. Insight is light oak flooring, complemented with white casements, stair railings, and crown molding throughout. The Szabo's are decorating to add some French country charm, including a greenhouse in the backyard, and some Victorian age antiques to complement the architecture.

Most of the early home-owners were merchants: The Carlins owned Carlin's Logan Street Grocery on the north side of the square for 30 years; then came a tailor; then a meat market butcher; and finally, Edgar Willits who operated E. H. Willits Department Store on the square for 40 years. This beautiful historic home is now lived in by Charles and Diana Szabo, their daughter Giuliana, and Diana's mother Bianca.



PRESERVATION HALL
NOBLESVILLE PRESERVATION ALLIANCE
1274 Logan Street

As with many older buildings, there are several versions about the history of Preservation Hall. One popular version has this building beginning its life as an army barracks during WWI in Ohio, and then being transported to this site in 1938 to become Christ Lutheran Church. A competing version cites a 1938 article in the Noblesville Ledger which states that Christ Lutheran has just purchased a lot and will at once start erection of the church and that church members will help with the construction. The article makes no mention of the transporting of a 24' x 50' building from Ohio. After Christ Lutheran moved to its new home on SR37 this building continued to be used as a church until 2013 when local musician John Gilmore purchased it, upgraded it, and used it to share creative performances and events of all kinds as "Logan Street Sanctuary". In 2019, the Hall was purchased by Noblesville Preservation Alliance to serve as the organization's official headquarters and continue serving as a performing arts venue and community center. It is also available as a rental venue for community celebrations, entertainment and educational events. NPA has restored the building to its original exterior look with support from Indiana Landmarks, the City of Noblesville, and generous individual and corporate supporters.



9

TRUITT/TATOM HOME *1107 Logan Street (c. 1879)*

This wood-framed Italianate house was built in 1879 by Arza and Laurretta Truitt. In 1892 the elaborately decorated wrap-around porch was added. In 1998 1260 square feet were added to this house: a family, 4th bedroom; 2nd bath; upstairs laundry, enlarged kitchen and den, and four stained glass windows. The floors are of birds-eye maples hardwoods. There are four working gas lams and two fire-place. The house has dual staircases, pocket doors, and a floor-to-ceiling bookcase in the office. There is a pergola in the back yard and a finished basement.

Laurretta Truitt lived here in this house for 75 years, until her death in 1954. Her husband ran a drug store. Both of her sons died early, Sam at 19 in the Purdue football team train wreck, and Dr. Frank in his late 30's. Laurretta was active in many social and church groups, her father being an early M.E. Church pastor in Noblesville. Nick and Maria Tatom are enjoying this beautiful historic home, with their three empty nest kids visiting when they can.



10

HEYLMANN/THEISEN HOME

1039 Logan Street (c. approx. 1860)

This home was built in 1860 by John George and Caroline Heylmann. This vernacular bungalow has a gabled roof with a double hip dormer front facing. The central front door has a transom and side panels with a wide front porch. The style of the house seems to be a mix of two styles, Colonial and Greek revival. Inside you find the original wood floors, window trim, and beautiful leaded glass doors downstairs. The completely remodeled kitchen features an exposed brick chimney.

In 1898 J.G. Heylmann built a new house next door, and son Fred and wife Cora resided here. In 1923, Fred Heylmann's sister LuLu and Tillie Gerwig renovated the house and moved over from the family homestead next door at 10th and Logan. They lived together here until their deaths, Tillie in 1940 and Lulu in 1955, entertaining extensively they were at the center of Noblesville society. So, with the exception of a few rental years in the teens, Heylmann family members lived here for nearly 100 years. Chris and Liz Theisen, along with children Jonathon and Emily, moved here in the spring of 2022.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOBLESVILLE PRESERVATION ALLIANCE EVENTS

- October 7* *2023 NPA Historic Walking Tour – Members Only!*
- December 2* *Lights Over Seminary Park Opening Night*
- December 10* *Holiday Home Tour*



COLLABORATION PARTNER: NOBLESVILLE MAIN STREET

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- October 6* *Fall Fest | Soup Cook-Off*
- October 14* *Music & All That Jazz*
- November 3* *Holiday Open House*
- November 25* *Small Business Saturday*
- December 1* *Deck the Downtown | Midnight Madness*

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OUR MISSION

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BY REACHING AND CONNECTING PEOPLE.

Noblesville Main Street connects city-wide residents, regional visitors, and partners with downtown businesses, merchants, and makers. As an organization we understand that our vibrant downtown is a treasure and amenity for our community. Noblesville Main Street is dedicated to creating, driving, and promoting ways for people to connect and celebrate the excitement alive within our historic downtown square.

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BECOME A MEMBER TODAY!

Becoming an NPA member allows you to support the following activities:

- ◆ Building community unification and city pride
- ◆ Strengthening the fabric of neighborhoods through coordinated activities
- ◆ Providing a voice in decisions made by city, county, and business groups on topics relevant to historical preservation
- ◆ Bringing awareness to NPA and its mission through community events such as home and garden tours, seminars, community clean-ups, block parties, awards, educational programs, and landscaping projects
- ◆ Engaging the public in the heritage, economic, social, and aesthetic benefits of preservation
- ◆ Promoting downtown Noblesville by working with civic groups and businesses to develop strategies for strengthening the city's economy and vitality
- ◆ Helping to save endangered homes and structures
- ◆ Placing qualified buildings and neighborhoods on the National Register of Historic Places

Some NPA membership benefits include:

- ◆ Opportunities to participate in leadership with the NPA Board of Directors
- ◆ Access to special members-only events
- ◆ Special discounts on purchases at participating Noblesville businesses

CHOOSE ONE OF FOUR LEVELS OF MEMBERSHIP:

(please visit our website to join)

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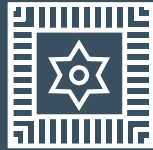
Student/Senior Citizen (over 70) - \$25.00 per year

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to learn more about the home tour, membership options, how to pledge support, and more!

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