2022 ANNUAL REPORT

Celebrating our 45th Anniversary

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OUR VISION

Columbus is a thriving, creative city that values and protects its architectural and cultural legacy and is committed to equity, sustainable growth, and design excellence.

OUR MISSION

We preserve Columbus landmarks and neighborhoods through advocacy, education, and investment, and we promote design that inspires and endures.
Columbus Landmarks was founded in 1977 following the overnight demolition of the 1897 Daniel Burnham-designed, Beaux Arts style Union Station, and the subsequent fight to save the remaining Arch ... and move it twice! The Union Station Arch stands today in McFerson Commons Park as beloved public art. For 45 years, our 501(c)(3) non-profit organization has actively advocated for historic preservation and design excellence for a better built Columbus for all.

Our supporters understand that buildings, landscapes and public art provide a sense of identity and community, inspire creativity and enrichment, and contribute to revitalization, sustainability and economic development. Our mission is to preserve Columbus landmarks and neighborhoods through advocacy, education, and investment, and to promote design that inspires and endures.

Columbus is a growing city, with 1 million new residents anticipated in the next 30 years. Meanwhile, less than 25% of our city’s buildings date to pre-1945, compared to a 50-city average of 38%. We risk sacrificing distinctiveness, cultural capital, affordability, and any hope of achieving carbon neutrality when we bulldoze historic architecture. In response, Columbus Landmarks proactively publishes an annual list of Most Endangered Sites, identifying properties at risk and raising awareness of their architectural, cultural and historical value as well as their redevelopment potential. Now in its ninth year, we have featured 70 properties, 27 of which have been saved, 8 that have been demolished, and 35 that are pending redevelopment.

As advocates, we actively participate in community meetings and hearings, as well as through insightful engagement with architects, designers, developers, city leaders, property owners, neighborhood groups, and local media.

As educators, we research and document sites, bringing forward the important stories and memories of the people associated with them. We nominate sites to national and local historic registers, and we interpret and celebrate them in programs, tours and events.

As investors, we connect preservation-minded buyers to vacant or underutilized historic commercial properties through our Endangered Properties Fund. Through our Home Preservation Loan Fund, we provide low-interest loans to homeowners for exterior repairs and improvements to help maintain the architectural integrity of older homes in neighborhoods that have experienced disinvestment.

As promoters, we produce stylish, compelling videos including drone footage for each featured endangered site as well as corresponding website galleries for public information and status updates. The endangered sites are featured in our Atlas of Columbus Landmarks, an interactive mapping tool that provides a holistic view of the historic resources of central Ohio, and Urban Ideas Forum, a new hybrid opportunity developed to generate more public engagement and conversation.

Recognizing that the economic advantages of historic preservation – revitalization, business development, infrastructure improvements, beautification, safety, tourism – have largely benefited and been reflective of white Columbus, our board took strategic, transformational action. In 2021, Columbus Landmarks completed a three-year plan centered on three key strategies: equity, sustainability, and design excellence. Applying these principles, we identified five priority neighborhoods that have yet to benefit from the economic, environmental and social benefits of historic preservation: Hilltop, King-Lincoln/Bronzeville, Linden, Milo Grogan and the South Side. We are directing our advocacy, education, investment and promotion to make more preservation happen in these deserving neighborhoods.

All of our programs combine to help achieve our vision for Columbus: a thriving, creative city that values and protects its architectural and cultural legacy and is committed to equity, sustainable growth, and design excellence.

Thank you for your generous support of our work. It is true investment in generations to come.
5:30 p.m.  Reception
6:00 p.m.  Call to Order – Ann Gradisek, President
6:05 p.m.  Welcome – Brad DeHays, Connect Real Estate
6:10 p.m.  Report of the Nominating Committee – Matt Leasure, Past President & Nominating Chair
Recognition of Outgoing Board Members
  • Maya Batie
  • Ann Hancock Gradisek
Trustees Nominated to a Second Three-Year Term
  • Jason Hottle
  • Stephen Metz
Introduction of New Trustees Nominated to a Three-Year Term
  • Maggie Colvin
  • Janica Pierce Tucker
6:15 p.m.  Treasurer’s Report – Jessica Schueren, Treasurer
6:20 p.m.  Preservation Award Winners – Jason Hottle, Membership Committee Chair and Clyde Henry, Trustee
6:35 p.m.  Ed Lentz Prize – Charles Rowan, Juror and Trustee
6:40 p.m.  2022 Most Endangered Sites – Rita Fuller-Yates, Advocacy Chair
6:50 p.m.  Closing Remarks & Adjournment – Peter Krajnak, President Elect and Endangered Properties Fund Chair
NEW TRUSTEES NOMINATED TO A THREE-YEAR TERM

Maggie Colvin
Maggie is a Human Resources and Recruiting professional at Victoria’s Secret & Company with a strong background in talent management and associate relations with a focus on: coaching, building strong business partnerships, process improvement, problem resolution. Maggie drives business results through strategic collaboration and successful execution. Maggie has the distinction of having been the matchmaker for two Board Members: Board President, Ann Hancock Gradisek, and Finance Chair, Ben Gradisek.

Janica Pierce Tucker
As managing partner at Taft Stettinius & Hollister, Janica represents clients in all aspects of employment and labor law. She advises employers regarding legal planning and policy analysis and formulation. Janica represents employers in defense against a broad range of employment claims. She also represents higher education institutions and primary and secondary schools. As a litigator, she is active in other aspects of civil trial, appellate litigation and commercial litigation. Janica lives in a charming 1925 house tucked away in a historic East Columbus neighborhood.
## Statement of Financial Position as of December 31, 2021

### ASSETS

#### Current Assets
- Cash: $396,561
- Accounts Receivable: 2,500
- Inventory: 2,294
- Prepaid Expenses: 5,000

Total Current Assets: **406,355**

#### Property and Equipment
- Furniture and Fixtures: 8,429
- Computer and Equipment: 16,909

Total Property and Equipment: **25,338**

- Less Accumulated Depreciation: 25,338
- Net Property and Equipment: **-**

#### Other Assets
- Beneficial Interest in Assets Held by Others: 403,880

Total Other Assets: **403,880**

### TOTAL ASSETS: **810,235**

### LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

#### Current Liabilities
- Accounts Payable: 1,595

Total Current Liabilities: **1,595**

### TOTAL LIABILITIES: **1,595**

### NET ASSETS
- Board Designated: 100,000
- Net Assets: **708,640**

Total Net Assets: **808,640**

### TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS: **810,235**

## Statement of Activities - For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

### REVENUES

- Grants: $290,118
- Service Fees: 1,000
- Donations: 112,067
- Sponsorships: 5,522
- Ticket sales and other sales: 16,604
- Memberships: 18,360
- Interest and Realized Gains: 6,842
- Miscellaneous: 4,588
- Unrealized gain: 51,579
- Release from Restrictions

**TOTAL REVENUES: **506,680

### EXPENSES

- Program Expenses: 171,421
- Management Expenses: 43,993
- Fundraising Expenses: 45,285

**TOTAL EXPENSES: **260,699

**Change in Net Assets: **245,981

**Net Assets at Beginning of Year: **562,659

**Net Assets at End of Year: **$808,640

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We are committed to equity and environmental sustainability, and we are dedicated to enriching the lives of all Columbus residents through a broad understanding of and respect for our landmarks & neighborhoods.
2021 ACCOMPLISHMENTS & RESULTS

• Completed three-year plan centered around three key strategies: equity, sustainability, and design excellence

• Accepted donation of a Historic Preservation Easement from Carole Tomko to permanently protect the Richard Berry, Jr. House located at 324 East North Broadway

• Launched Building Arts Studio at Fort Hayes working with 18 seniors to rehabilitate the c1890s historic gatehouse funded with a $50,000 grant from Ann Sherry Foundation

• Awarded 31st James B. Recchie Design Award to Lower.com Field

• Awarded Ed Lentz Prize to Angela O’Neal, Columbus Metropolitan Library Local History & Genealogy

• Welcomed Bob Loversidge, FAIA, to Legacy Circle

• Collected 682 petition signatures to save the Columbus Public Health South Dormitory

• Sold 325 Forgotten Landmarks of Columbus books by Tom Betti and Doreen Uhas Sauer

• Honor Award from Ohio Chapter of American Society of Landscape Architects for Atlas of Columbus Landmarks and Urban Ideas Forum

• Historic American Building Surveys of two endangered sites with Savannah College of Art & Design graduate students Emily Schripsema (South Side Day Nursery) and Miranda Nicasio (Historic Sheep Farmhouse)

• Delivered lead presentation for DesignColumbus 2021: “Achieving Carbon Neutrality via Adaptive Reuse”

• Assisted 110 homeowners in 14 neighborhoods through free Home Preservation Program
THREE-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN • JUNE 2021– JUNE 2023

Equity: Preservation for all
Sustainability: Adapt and reuse first
Design Excellence: Quality design builds strong communities

ADVOCACY
Gain a seat at the table and proactively preserve and protect the built environment.

EDUCATION
Be the “go to” resource for awareness and understanding of Columbus’ architectural and cultural legacy.

INVESTMENT
Operate active revolving funds to preserve buildings and grow the organization.

PROMOTE DESIGN THAT INSPIRES AND ENDURES
Advocate for design excellence in both old and new.
2022 PRESERVATION AWARD WINNERS

**Henry L. Hunker Urban Legacy Award: Matthew Leasure**
Matt is a past Board President and a principal, landscape architect and planner at Designing Local. This award honors those who love and appreciate the urban environment, in its broadest definition, and work tirelessly to improve it. We think that Henry would be very proud of the award-winning Atlas of Columbus Landmarks and Urban Ideas Forum Matt produced as well as his dedicated service on the Advocacy and Endangered Properties Fund Committees.

**Paul E. Young, Jr. Outstanding Achievement in Education Award: Lindsay Jones**
As sole proprietor of Blind Eye Restoration, Lindsay is our go-to resource for historic restoration and conservation contracting. This award honors those who lead discovery of a new dimension of the city’s architectural and historical legacy. We continue to be impressed by Lindsay’s work and her commitment to the historic building trades. It has been a pleasure to partner with Lindsay on the Building Arts Studio at Fort Hayes.

**Frederick J. Holdridge Outstanding Group Award: Modcon Living**
The organization’s Mod Squad, Tool Library and Safe at Home programs are outstanding community resources. The Tool-lending Library program provides their members access to more than 4,800 hand and power tools for DIY projects, helping individuals and nonprofit organizations better care for their homes and gardens. Our Home Preservation Program has directly benefitted and we are grateful for our partnership.
Dixie Sayre Miller Patron Award: Ryan Aiello

Ryan Aiello is a past Board President and an attorney at Dinsmore. Ryan graciously provides pro-bono legal services and is an active member of our Endangered Properties Fund Committee. The Dixie Sayre Miller Patron Award recognizes commitment and support that reaches beyond the ordinary in the cause of historic preservation. We are very grateful for the expert legal counsel Ryan provides, as well as his leadership and vision. Columbus Landmarks has ‘leveled up’ thanks to Ryan’s personal and professional generosity and commitment.

Doreen Uhas Sauer Outstanding Individual Award: Mark Ferenchik

We are grateful for Mark’s dedicated work as a Columbus Dispatch reporter. We have observed him “on the scene” many times over the years, engaging with community members to gain a fuller understanding of urban issues throughout the city. His commitment has helped to expand an appreciation for our city’s built environment and why it matters.

James L. Keyes President’s Award: Nagy Family

The Nagy Brothers Shoe Repair building at 1725 S Parsons Ave was featured on Columbus Landmarks Most Endangered Sites List in 2020 due to vacancy and for its potential for adaptive reuse. We are very grateful for the opportunity to work with the Nagy family on our first Endangered Properties Fund project. Thank you to the Nagy Family for being good stewards of the building and for entrusting Columbus Landmarks with its ongoing legacy.
2022 MOST ENDANGERED SITES

Details available ColumbusLandmarks.org

South Dormitory at Columbus Public Health
240 Parsons Ave Columbus, OH 43205 - Olde Town East

Farm Crest Bakeries Building
1826 E. Livingston Ave Columbus, OH 43205 - Driving Park

Sprague House
5961 E. Livingston Columbus OH, 43232 - Far East

E. 17th Garden Apartments
1294 E. 17th & 1265-71 E. 17th Columbus, OH 43211 - South Linden

Eldon Smith House
2456 W. Broad St, Columbus, OH 43204 - Hilltop

Original St. Stephen’s Community House
379 E. Barthman Ave Columbus, OH 43207 - Hungarian Village

Ohio Avenue Church
1013 S. Ohio Ave, Columbus, OH 43206 - Southern Orchards

Milo-Grogan Commercial Building
876 Cleveland Ave, Columbus, OH 43201 - Milo-Grogan

Main Street Theater
1336 E. Main Street Columbus, OH 43205 - Franklin Park
2022 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

January
• 1/30 Winter Walk at Green Lawn Cemetery

February
• Ed Lentz Prize

March
• 3/16 Q1 Member Event – Researching Building History
• 3/16 Historic Porch Workshop

April
• 4/23 Earth Day Clean-Up Nagy Brothers Shoe Repair
• 4/24 Spring Walk at Green Lawn Cemetery

May – Preservation Month!
• 5/12 Annual Membership Meeting at East Market
• 5/12 2022 Most Endangered Sites Announcement
• Various dates Green Lawn Walking Tour Series

June
• 6/23 Q2 Member Event – Jefferson Ave. Tour
• Preservation Assessment Workshop
• North Monroe Clean-Up Event
• Various dates Green Lawn Walking Tour Series

July
• King-Lincoln/Bronzeville Legacy Tour
• Summer Walk at Green Lawn Cemetery
• Masonry Repair Workshop

August
• South Side Legacy Tour
• 8/4 Buildings Reborn at South Wind Motel
• Paint/Column Repair Workshop

September
• Milo-Grogan Legacy Tour
• Q3 Member Event – Requiem at Rock of Faith/Holy Rosary

October
• Hilltop Legacy Tour
• 10/6 James B. Recchie Design Award at Lower.com Field
• Window Restoration Workshop

November
• Linden Legacy Tour
• Legacy Circle Event

December
• 12/1 Q4 Member Event – Pythian Theatre Tour
• 12/3 Hallelujah Tour of Churches
2021 DONORS, PARTNERS & GRANTORS

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