



GAZETTE

June/July 2016

## NEWS

### 2016 MOST ENDANGERED LIST

Every year Historic Kansas City publishes the Most Endangered List to raise awareness and advocate for our city's historic buildings and resources.

[View the full list here](#)



Kirkwood Mansion at 46th and Rockhill Rd

### 2015 ANNUAL REPORT

Thank you to all of our supporters for making 2015 a great year for Historic Kansas City!

[Download the full report](#)



**US SENATOR FROM MO ROY BLUNT  
COSPONSORS HTC IMPROVEMENT ACT**

## The Historic Tax Credit

Improvement Act makes long overdue changes to the Historic Tax Credit to further encourage building reuse and redevelopment in small, midsize, and rural communities. It also makes the rehabilitation of community projects like theaters, libraries, and schools easier while maximizing the impact of state historic tax credits. Finally, the bill would make more historic properties eligible to use the credit by updating program requirements to reflect current industry practices. These reforms would be the first major changes to the Historic Tax Credit since the Tax Reform Act of 1986.



Thank you to Senator Blunt for his preservation initiative -- he was the first Senator to agree to sponsor the bill outside the original two co-sponsors.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## MODERN MASTERS TOUR

*New Member Benefit!*

Sunday, July 10th, 2pm - 4pm  
2110 W 70th Terr, Mission Hills, KS  
\$10, includes beer & snacks

KCmodern and Historic Kansas City are excited to be offering a new Modern Masters tour series with exclusive access for members of KCmodern and Historic Kansas City. The kickoff event will be a before and after tour of the 1957 Better Homes & Gardens Idea Home of the Year designed by Architect William Wurster.

BH&G Magazine planned and published Idea Homes every year throughout the 1950s and beyond. This design and others were built all around the country and new designs were offered every year. There are at least three different designs from the program built in Kansas City from different years. William Wurster also designed Case Study Home #3 for Arts + Architecture magazine. Though he is underappreciated, he was an important California architect who is considered one of the Fathers of the Ranch House with his design of the Gregory Farm House in 1928.



BETTER HOMES & GARDENS

**IDEA HOME**

OF THE YEAR

If you are already a member, you can purchase tickets [here](#). If you are not yet a member, now is the perfect time to support the important work of Historic KC and KCmodern by [joining today](#). If you are unsure about the status of your membership, please send us an email at [hkcf@historickansascity.org](mailto:hkcf@historickansascity.org).

## KANSAS CITY TRIVIA NIGHT

*HOSTED BY YOUNG PRESERVATIONISTS*

Friday, July 22nd, 6pm-9pm  
Uptown Arts Bar  
3611 Broadway, Kansas City, MO  
\$10 per person

[Purchase tickets here](#)



Join Young Preservationists KC and Historic Kansas City for our third annual KC Trivia Night!

Players can pay \$1 to "Ask the Experts" if they get stumped! Our featured experts include Stuart Hinds, UMKC Assistant Dean for Special Collections & Archives, Katie Greer, winner of two Kansas City history trivia contests, and more! Prizes will be awarded to the winning teams.

Teams of 4-6. Know who your team members are? Submit names with your ticket purchase or email us at [hkcf@historickansascity.org](mailto:hkcf@historickansascity.org). Singles and smaller teams also welcome! We'll pair you up!

Cash/credit bar for food and drink.

## THIRD SATURDAY WALKING TOURS

This summer HKC is again offering walking tours on the third Saturday of each month! These tours will offer an in depth look at parks in the Kansas City Parks & Boulevards System. Tours begin at 10:00 am and last about 1.5 hours.



Please [visit our calendar for details and to purchase tickets](#).

**July 16th:** The Concourse at Benton and Gladstone Boulevards in the Historic Northeast

**Aug 20th:** Penn Valley Park and the Liberty Memorial

*We are pleased to be partnering with the National World War I Museum and*



# TAKE ACTION

## YOUNG PRESERVATIONISTS COMMITTEE ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

The Young Preservationists KC, an affiliate group of Historic Kansas City, is now accepting applications to serve on the official planning committee. The mission of the Young Preservationists is to encourage and mobilize young preservationists through service, learning and advocacy. The group consists of a 10 member planning committee and a network of several hundred young professionals across the city. Regular annual events organized by the group include Old House Expo, KC Trivia Night, Legacy Bars and Restaurants and Vintage Holiday Happy Hour. There are also opportunities to work on advocacy and to organize service-learning projects.

Applications are due by the end of the day **Monday, July 5th 2016**. [Submit your application using Survey Monkey!](#)

## THE FIRST KANSAS CITY COLORING BOOK: MORE AVAILABLE NOW!

**RESEARCHED AND  
WRITTEN BY VIRGINIA  
MOFFET AND ANN  
WORNALL**

The First Kansas City  
Coloring Book,  
[featured on KCUR](#),  
is full of familiar places  
and local history!

This viral sensation sold  
out a few months go,  
but the reprint is now  
available. \$10 per book.  
Contact Lauren at  
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# RECENT EVENTS

## 2016 ANNUAL MEETING

HKC's Annual Meeting was held on May 17, 2016 at the [National WWI Museum & Memorial](#) and celebrated a year of successful collaborations between preservation, planning and neighborhoods. Thank you to our sponsors [Strata Architecture + Preservation, Commerce Bank, Lathrop & Gage](#), and [Polsinelli](#) and our speakers and panelists Councilwoman Katheryn Shields, Jim Wanser, Jeff Williams, Lisa Briscoe, Vicki Noteis, and Matt Nugent.



To see all the photos from the evening, check out our [Facebook photo album](#).

## BRUCE GOFF BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

On Sunday, June 5th KCmodern hosted a party at a Bruce Goff designed home at [5305 Cherry Street](#). Goff is distinguished by his organic, eclectic and highly artistic house designs. In a career that spanned more than six decades, Goff saw almost a hundred and fifty of his architectural designs built in fifteen states. In each of these designs, Goff's sensitivity to client, site, space, and material set him apart from the mainstream.



The celebration included a showing of a [Goff documentary](#) with rare footage of his life's work.

## URBAN EXPLORERS TOUR: PICKWICK

On June 11th, Historic Kansas City hosted another SOLD OUT Urban Explorers tour of the Pickwick Plaza. Speakers included Plasterkraft, Haren Laughlin, Helix, and owner Tom Smith from Gold Crown Properties. The tour was even featured on the front page of the [Kansas City Star!](#)



To get access to these popular members only events, make sure to [join Historic Kansas City!](#)

## JOIN TODAY!

For invitations, event discounts and exclusive tours, join Historic Kansas City today! You can submit your payment information securely on [our membership page](#).

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