

MyHistoricLA

Historic Resources Identification Form



As part of SurveyLA, the City of Los Angeles Office of Historic Resources needs your help to identify resources that are important in your neighborhood. We are particularly interested in the lesser-known places that might have shaped your community.



These places may be important for a broad range of reasons such as architecture, city planning, landscape design, ethnic heritage, residential development, commerce or industry.

Examples of historic resources include things you might not consider significant such as stores, parks, social halls, canals and bridges. A historic district can be anything from a residential neighborhood to a commercial center or industrial complex.



The citywide survey will consider all properties dating from around 1980 or earlier.

How Should I Decide What to Identify?

In considering which resources to identify, think about the following questions:

- What are the neighborhoods, commercial areas, and landscapes that have distinctive architectural or cultural characteristics, or reflect important aspects of social history or planning and development? What qualities of these places make them important?
- What sites or buildings have been gathering places or focal points of your community over the years?
- Which buildings housed important individuals, groups or organizations that shaped your community's history?
- Which buildings and districts may have been associated with important architects, builders, designers, developers, or engineers whose work helped define the character of your area?
- Which resources shaped social movements or the cultural evolution of your community?

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Please answer as many of the following questions as you can. Most important to us are (1) the name, (2) address, and (3) why you find the resource important. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

* Note: By completing this form you are giving the City of Los Angeles Office of Historic Resources permission to publish your comments on the web site and in other educational materials. We will not publish any of your contact information.

1. **Name of Resource** (name of building, place, or neighborhood):
2. **Address/Location** (be as specific as possible; for neighborhoods or historic districts describe the boundaries of the area):
3. **Why is this individual resource or neighborhood significant?** (architecture and design qualities, association with an important person, group, organization, event, historical theme or trend, etc.)
4. **How would you describe the resource type?** (residential neighborhood, park, house, school, commercial building, business district, street, natural feature, etc.)
5. **If it is a building or structure, when was it constructed?** (provide the exact year(s) or an estimate)
6. **If it is a neighborhood or historic district, what is the period of time represented by the resources?** (provide a range of dates)
7. **If applicable, can you name the architectural style(s) present?**
8. **Can you recommend a person, organization, or other source with more information or stories about this resource?**

9. **Do you have photographs?** Yes No
Digital or scanned photographs may be e-mailed to: Planning.SurveyLA@lacity.org

10. **Your Contact Information:**

Name: _____ Phone: _____ E-mail: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

- * The City of Los Angeles Office of Historic Resources may publish:
 Yes, you have my permission to publish my name to highlight the connection between people and places.
 No, please consider my identified place, but do not share my name

Please return this form via mail, email or fax to:
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