



EVENTS

Historic Kansas City

VIRTUAL EVENT HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARDS

Thursday, September 24 - Live @ 6 PM



RESCHEDULED - VIRTUAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARDS

HKC hopes that you are safe and well during this unprecedented time. While we had hoped conditions would improve, we thought it prudent to reschedule the HKC Preservation Awards, originally scheduled last March.

We had so wished we could have gathered together to celebrate our winner's accomplishments, but to protect the health of our community we will be sharing the big news Live via ZOOM!

SAVE THE DATE: Join us at 6:00 PM on Thursday, September 24th

The Live ZOOM event will include a presentation about each award winner including illustrations of each award recipients work. We look forward to welcoming you to a great event from the comfort of your own home.

How To Attend The Live Event:

- **HKC Members** may attend **FREE** – No registration required. Details will be provided to you prior to the event.
- **NON – HKC Members** are **\$20 per person**. Click [HERE](#) for tickets.
- **Not A Member?** Click [HERE](#) to join.

****Note - Those who purchased a ticket for the March event will receive a separate communication.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR PRESERVATION AWARD SILVER SPONSORS



VIRTUAL TOWN HALL

What is your vision for the next 20 years in Kansas City, Mo.?
What are the most important issues and policies we should consider in the city's comprehensive plan update?
We want to hear from you!
Join us for a VIRTUAL TOWN HALL.
THURSDAY, AUG. 27 AT 5 P.M.
Find the ZOOM meeting link at playbook.kcmo.gov.

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Kansas City Comprehensive Plan Town Hall Meeting

Since early spring, HKC has closely monitored and kept our membership informed on the 2020 rewrite of the City of Kansas City Comprehensive Plan, our city's most important long-range planning document. This year is residents' opportunity to frame a better vision for Kansas City's next decade of growth.

The next **Virtual Town Hall** is scheduled for **Thursday, August 27th at 5:00 PM!** The city will be focusing the conversation around the big issues that need to be addressed in the updated comprehensive plan.

Zoom Meeting Link

Dial in number:

- 1 312-626-6799
- Meeting ID: 93134009043

POSTPONED MOVED TO FALL 2021 HISTORIC 9TH STREET MOVEABLE FEAST

While we had hoped conditions would improve, we thought it prudent to postpone the 9th Street Moveable Feast event until the fall of 2021.

Know that this is not an easy decision. However, our overriding concern is for the health and safety of our community. A special thank you to our Host Sponsors the 21C Hotel, The Kansas City Club, and the Diocese of KC-St. Joseph. We look forward to working with them next year.

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**Historic 9th
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TO FALL 2021

LOCAL NEWS

Demolition Case Was Withdrawn. Now For Sale.

HKC issued a call to action to stop the proposed demolition of the historic home at 236 W. 54th St., located in the Simpson-Yeomans/Country Side Historic District. An application was filed with the Preservation Commission by the homeowners to demolish the historic home so that they could construct a new home on the large corner lot. The community response on social media was overwhelming! HKCs' call to action and your response saved this historic home. The property is now for sale.



Kirkwood Is Back On The Market

A nearly two-year renovation project on the former Rockhill Tennis Club is coming to a close. And the owners are asking for a significant boost from the purchase price. The home at 4520 Kenwood was built in 1910 by Kansas City Star co-founder William Rockhill Nelson for his daughter, Laura Rockhill Nelson Kirkwood. Between 1944 and 2010, it was the home of the Rockhill Tennis Club. The house was the subject of controversy in 2016, when the Rockhill and Southmoreland neighborhoods opposed an attempt by the museum to rezone the property. The plan at the time was for the museum to convert four houses into offices. The Museum agreed to sell the property. More info [Here](#).

Epperson House Update

On August 12th, the UMKC Chancellor released a statement including ideas and initiatives for how to move UMKC forward. The following statement was made regarding Epperson House.

"Sell or ground lease the Epperson House. This historic home is dear to our hearts. UMKC is not financially in a position to save it, so we must find someone who will."



Nordstorm Update

Due to Covid, construction is expected to resume next summer on the Nordstrom store planned for the Country Club Plaza with an opening



anticipated in Fall 2022, a year later than originally scheduled. Read more [HERE](#).

Webster House

Faced with a pandemic shut-down and the likelihood its important patron, the Kauffman Center, may remain dark until at least fall, Shirley Helzberg had no choice but to close her labor of love, the Webster House, permanently. More [HERE](#).



Olgesby Hotel

The long-anticipated redevelopment of the historic Olgesby Hotel, 3930 Troost Avenue, into 25 affordable-rate apartments by the 3930 Troost Foundation Inc, is making progress through city hall. Built in 1891, the Queen Anne structure was the estate of W. Chaffee Whitehead and real estate developer who constructed other houses on Harrison St. The house was sold in 1911 to Courtney H. Rauk who converted it into the Olgesby Hotel and added a three-story addition to the back.

Revival of Historic 31st and Troost Commercial Block

Seven buildings on the west side of Troost between 31st and Linwood are being renovated for commercial use, continuing a major reinvestment in that key one-block stretch of the historic business district. The properties are across Troost from another group of historic buildings being renovated. Read more [HERE](#).



Seeking Women's History Sites

As the US celebrates the 100th anniversary of some women earning the right to vote, the National Trust wants to tell the full history—to uncover and uplift women across the centuries



whose vision, passion, and determination have shaped the country we are today. What places in Kansas City have you encountered where women made history? Submit a photo and a short description to the Trust [HERE](#).

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