MODERNISM IN THE MACHINE AGE
A PPS Members’ Trip to Detroit

September 11-15, 2019

PPS offers heritage travel opportunities designed to build relationships between members and provide education about the challenges faced and techniques used by preservation advocates in other communities. “Why Detroit?” is a great question! Read what Brent and Wendy have to say in response, and be assured you’ll return from Detroit saying “Of course, Detroit!”

“When I visited Detroit with the National Trust for Historic Preservation in 2012, it was with a vague knowledge about the resurgence that was happening in one of America’s biggest cities. What I found there was an energy that inhabited everyone we encountered, whether Detroit natives or relative newcomers. Each saw a future for Detroit that combined the best of its history with innovative ways to drive its future.

There was an energy to preserve and revitalize this city, against seemingly insurmountable odds. Detroit offers great lessons for preservation activists and DIYers, but it also presents an unparalleled opportunity to experience landmarks of Modernism and the Machine Age. I hope you’ll join us for this finely curated insiders’ tour of Detroit.”

-Brent Runyon, Executive Director

“As a long time resident of the Detroit area I am excited to share my experiences of a city of inspired architecture. After receiving my M.F.A. from the Cranbrook Academy of Art, I remained in the area to teach and establish a fine arts logistics company serving private and public collections.

My commitment to Detroit increased through involvement with alternative arts venues, museums and groups dedicated to redefining the city’s value and accomplishments.

For years I spent the better part of each week navigating streets when most of the buildings were boarded up and vacant. I moved to Rhode Island just as Detroit’s rebirth gained momentum and am thrilled with the energy and changes each time I return.”

-Wendy MacGaw, PPS Trustee
**Wednesday, September 11, 2019**

After arriving in Detroit around midday, check in at **The Siren Hotel** in the newly renovated Renaissance Revival-style 1926 Wurlitzer Building. This is a great project from ASH NYC, developers of The Dean Hotel in Providence.

Later that day, join us at a welcome reception at **Cliff Bell's Speakeasy** where we'll mix and mingle with local architects and preservationists. The building that houses Cliff Bell’s was designed by Albert Kahn. It was originally intended to be 10 stories tall, but when the depression hit, it was capped at just two.

Dinner is on your own.

**Thursday, September 12, 2019**

Over breakfast at the **Foundation Hotel**, we'll get an inside look at the revival of downtown Detroit during a conversation with architect Michael Poris.

Throughout the day, you'll enjoy private group tours of the magnificent Art Deco-era **Guardian Building**, **Fisher Building** and the **Fox Theatre**.

Later that evening, we'll enjoy drinks and a group dinner at one of Detroit's acclaimed restaurants.

**Friday, September 13, 2019**

Over breakfast, we'll hear from a local expert on preservation, planning and community development.

After breakfast, we will board a bus to Bloomfield Hills where we'll spend the day at the **Cranbrook Institute**. Wendy has arranged a truly unique insiders’ tours of several key buildings, including the Saarinen House, Boy’s School and Natatorium. We’ll also tour the Melvyn Maxwell and Sara Stein Smith House, a Frank Lloyd Wright House. This experience will be curated and led by Greg Wittkopp, Director, Center for Collections & Research, the author and definitive expert on Cranbrook’s collections, including its numerous buildings.

On the return trip to Detroit, we’ll look at several historic landmarks and neighborhoods before finding our way to historic **Boston-Edison**, a neighborhood on the rebound. A local historian will join us as we drive through the neighborhood. Most homes were constructed between 1905 and 1925 and range in size from modest two-story vernaculars to impressive mansions. Early residents of Boston-Edison included Henry Ford, James Couzens, Horace Rackham, Sebastian Kresge, and Joe Louis.

Tonight, dinner on your own, so grab a few fellow travelers or venture out on your own. There are a ton of great options!

**Saturday, September 14, 2019**

After breakfast on your own, we’ll venture on a bus through neighborhoods that have been hardest hit. Then we’ll take a walk through **Lafayette Park**, a Mies Van der Rohe development.

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For lunch on your own, we’ll let you off the bus at the **Eastern Market**, one of the oldest and largest year-round public markets in the country, where you’ll be able to find a variety of restaurants and pick up local products.

The afternoon is free. We will provide suggestions for places to visit.

On Saturday evening, experience *The Prohibition Boat Tour* on the Detroit River with guide Marion Christiansen, a descendent of bootleggers and a Detroit historian. She will regale you with stories, point out sites involved in the illegal trade between Detroit and Canada, and share her collection of Prohibition artifacts. Dinner is on your own, after the boat tour.

**Sunday, September 15, 2019**

Sunday is departure day. We will provide suggestions for self-curated excursions should you have a later flight. There’s a lot to do and after three days of tours, today will be a great day to explore further on your own.

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**Tour Costs**

*Please read carefully our policies listed below. It is your responsibility to inquire about and fully understand change and cancellation policies regarding your travel arrangements.*

**Tour Costs**

- **$1,595** per person, double occupancy
- **$1,895** single occupancy

If you would like to stay additional nights before or after the tour, please contact PPS at (401) 831-7440.

* **Must be a current PPS member.**

**Payment Schedule**

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**Cancellation Policy**

- A full refund of the payment will be returned if cancellation is made prior to June 10, 2019.
- 50% of the payment will be returned if cancellation is made between June 10 and July 10, 2019.
- No refund will be returned after July 10, 2019.*

*All cancellations must be made in writing.*

A portion of the tour price includes a tax-deductible donation to Providence Preservation Society to support its advocacy and education programming. The final amount will be communicated to you at the conclusion of the trip.
Travel Details

Group Size
Minimum group size is 14 paid participants. Tour will not operate with fewer people. Maximum group size is 25 paid participants.

Airport Shuttle
Not included in Tour Cost. PPS will coordinate connections between the Detroit airport and the hotel. For those who wish to join in a group shuttle or taxi, those costs will be billed directly to the traveler at the conclusion of the trip.

Flight
Not included in Tour Cost. As of this writing, Delta Airlines flies non-stop from Providence to Detroit. This information is subject to change. Reserve your flight well in advance of departure.

Packets
Approximately thirty days before departure, we will provide the full tour itinerary, including bios of our hosts and speakers, suggested activities and restaurants and other useful information. The full and updated itinerary will be provided upon arrival in Detroit.

PLEASE NOTE:
The itinerary is subject to change and enhancement.
We reserve the right to cancel the trip at any time, at which point we will refund all payments.

What’s Included

Trip Cost Includes:
- Pre-trip preview reception
- Four-night accommodations at The Siren Hotel
- Receptions and meals (as described in the itinerary)
- Admission to all buildings and tours listed in the itinerary
- Local transportation
- Speaker and tour guide fees

Trip Cost Does Not Include:
- Meals described as “on your own”
- Travel insurance, which you may secure from a travel agent on your own
- Air travel to and from Detroit
- Baggage fees
- Shuttle to/from airport and hotel
- Tipping at meals and hotel
- Individual hotel expenses

Responsibility and Liability
Providence Preservation Society (PPS) shall not be responsible or liable in any way for loss, death, injury or damage to persons or property suffered or incurred by any person in connection with this program or any part of it. PPS only acts as your agent in providing tour arrangements and assumes no responsibility or liability in connection with the service of any vessel, carriage, bus, aircraft, or any other conveyance, excursion, sightseeing, restaurant, hotel accommodation, or any other accommodations used in the performance of the tour, or in event of theft. Baggage and personal effects are the sole responsibility of the participant. Should it be necessary or advisable, for any reason whatsoever, to alter the itinerary or arrangements, such alterations may be made. Additional expense, if any, shall be borne by the participant.
Please choose a rooming option:

- Single person occupancy $1,895/person
- Double occupancy $1,595/person

I will be rooming with: ________________________________

Traveler #1: ____________________________________________________________
Emergency contact: Name _________________________________________Phone__________________________

Traveler #2: ____________________________________________________________
Emergency contact: Name _________________________________________Phone__________________________

Address of traveler/s: _____________________________________________________________________________
City: ___________________________________________________________ State: ______ Zip: ________________
Home telephone: ____________________________ Alternate telephone: ____________________________
E-mail: __________________________________________________________________________________________

- Enclosed is a check for my deposit, 50% of tour cost in the amount of $______________________________
- Please charge $_____________________ to my credit card:
  - MasterCard
  - Visa
  - Discover
  - American Express
Card Number:_________________________________________Exp. Date: _____________CSV code: ___________
Name on Card: ___________________________________________________________________________________
Billing Address:___________________________________________________________________________________
City: ___________________________________________________________ State: ______ Zip: ________________

Please charge my credit card for balance due on June 1.

I/We have read and agree to the tour conditions and terms. (All travelers must sign.)
Signature:_________________________________________________________________ Date:_________________
Signature:_________________________________________________________________ Date:_________________

PLEASE NOTE:

A deposit of 50% of tour cost or full payment is due upon registration to hold the reservation.

Please include credit card information or a check payable to Providence Preservation Society.

Mail completed reservations and payment to: -OR-
Providence Preservation Society
24 Meeting Street
Providence, RI 02903

To pay by credit card, call PPS at (401) 831-7440.
This signed form must be returned within
five days of payment to secure the reservation.
(a 3% processing fee will be added to credit card payments)

Friends traveling together but who have different home addresses and/or contact information should fill out separate forms.