

REDEFINING HISTORIC PRESERVATION IN ATLANTA:

LGBTQ+ Historic Context Statement



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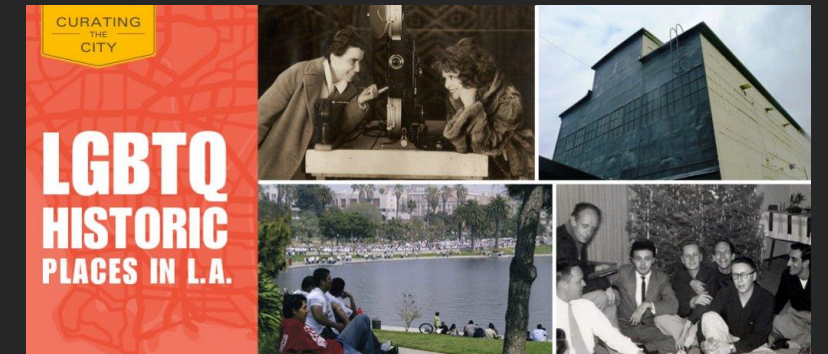
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What is a Historic Context Statement?

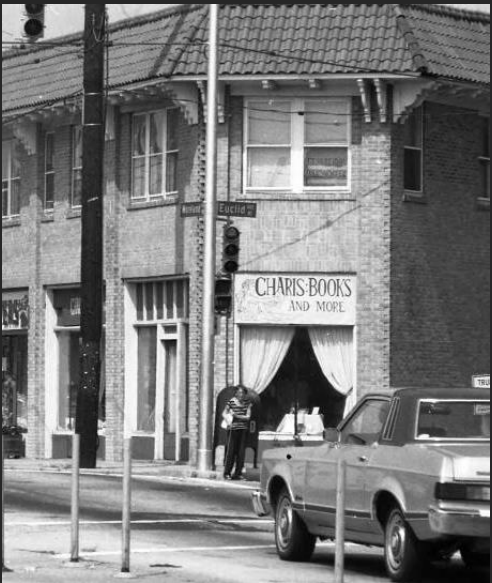
- A tool to help assess the historic significance of places that matter to the LGBTQ+ community for potential preservation efforts.
- Will join other leading cities - including Los Angeles, San Francisco, and the District of Columbia - in proactively preserving LGBTQ+ sites.
- Will identify and document Atlanta's LGBTQ+ spaces, many of which are in danger of being lost.
- Being prepared by the City of Atlanta and Historic Atlanta, Inc. with additional support from the Georgia Dept. of Community Affairs Historic Preservation Division.



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Will focus on the LGBTQ+ rights movements since the mid-1900's including:

- Early development of the City's LGBTQ+ communities;
- Founding of gay and lesbian rights organizations.
- Police harassment, Social control, bar raids, and lawsuits;
- Development of LGBTQ+-friendly communities throughout the city;
- LGBTQ+ rights movement since the 1970s;
- 1980s AIDS epidemic; and
- Identification of historic site, both existing and lost.



Will provide the City of Atlanta and the State Historic Preservation Office:

- First step in a concerted effort to recognize and preserve these spaces;
- Needed guidance on the identification/evaluation of LGBTQ+ historic sites;
- Basis for the nomination of places significant for their association to LGBTQ+ rights and culture to the Georgia and National Registers of Historic Places; and
- Guidance for the City of Atlanta with guidance and ability to protect these sites through the City's Historic Preservation Ordinance.



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Do you have a story to tell?

A photograph or research to share?

Want to know about upcoming meetings and information sessions?

Get involved and contribute to the research effort:

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Visit the project website:

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