Planning and Development

LGBTQIA+ Historic Context Study Discovering Important Places





Discovering Important Places

Initiative of the Raleigh Historic Development Commission, Historic Preservation Unit of Planning and Development in partnership with Raleigh Pride



What is a Historic Context Study?

- Identifies places important to a specific community, architect, or phenomenon.
- Incudes a short history and a list of known significant historic places (both existing and lost).
- Recommends buildings and sites that are eligible for historic designation.
- Provides a way to evaluate places discovered later.

Existing Historic Context Studies

- Work of Architect Leif Valand (<u>link</u>)
- Raleigh's Kit Homes (<u>link</u>)
- Residential Development in the Village of Method (<u>link</u>)



What is a Historic Context Study?

- It focuses on places buildings and sites
- It is not a definitive comprehensive history



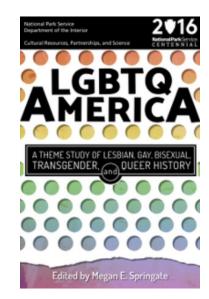
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Project Scope

- Document research
- Community meeting to introduce the project
- Ten oral history interviews
- More community engagement opportunities TBD
- Draft report reviewed by the RHDC
- Community meeting to share the results of the study

Our Consultant: Jeffrey A. "Free" Harris

Independent historian and historic preservation consultant with expertise in diversity issues in historic preservation. Nationally recognized public speaker on historic preservation and issues in U.S. History.



Tonight's Goals

- Introduce the project
- Hear stories about places
- Share the survey



For More Information

- Historic Preservation Team: <u>historicpreservation@raleighnc.gov</u>
- Project Page: https://raleighnc.gov/projects/lgbtqia-historic-context-study
- Survey: https://publicinput.com/U8523

