

*Foundation for Historical Louisiana
Historic Marker Program*



The Historic Marker program was initiated in 1977 by the Foundation to call attention to Baton Rouge's rich historical and architectural heritage. The Foundation encourages private and public participation in the program as a means of arousing public interest and enthusiasm in the history of Baton Rouge. These educational markers are a visible compliment to the Foundation's mission of fostering an appreciation of our cultural and architectural heritage.

Available Information Sources for Researching Historic Properties

- *Sanborn Insurance Maps:* Dates from approximately 1880 to the present. These maps include the size of the house as well as features such as bays, porches, and outbuildings. Some maps also include a listing of the material from which the house was built. The maps are not limited to residential structures and may include factories and commercial buildings.
- *Andrew D. Lytle Collection:* Located in the Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collection located in Hill Memorial Library at LSU, this collection of photographs was taken throughout Baton Rouge in the late 19th century.
- *Conveyance Records:* Located in the courthouse, these records enable one to trace property ownership through deeds and title abstracts.

Additional Information Sources

- *State Office of Historic Preservation*
PO Box 44247
Baton Rouge, LA 70804
<http://www.crt.state.la.us/crt/ocd/hp/ocdhp.htm>
- *National Trust for Historic Preservation*
Southern Regional Office
456 King Street
Charleston, SC 29403
<http://www.nationaltrust.org>
- *East Baton Rouge Parish Library—River Center Branch*
120 St. Louis
Baton Rouge, LA 70801

**Foundation for Historical Louisiana
Historic Marker Application Form**

Applicant Information

Name of Applicant _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Structure to be marked

Address _____

Architectural Style of Structure _____

** Structure must reflect one of the original styles listed in historic surveys of Baton Rouge*

Approximate Date of Structure _____

**Structure must be at least 50 years old*

Source of Proof of Date _____

**See attached information for available information sources*

Current use of the Structure _____

Propose future use of the Structure _____

***Please provide at least four current photographs of the structure:
façade, streetscape, sides of structure, rear view, and any other features of interest***

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Date Application Received _____

Payment Received: Yes/No

Amount Paid: \$ _____

Check all application information received:

___ Name and address of applicant

___ Address and description of structure and current use

___ Evidence as to approximate date of construction and source of information

___ Proposed future use of the structure

___ At least four (4) current photographs of the structure including front, two sides, and back

Structure meets all qualifications and should be marked: Yes/No

Date Marker Ordered: _____ **Date marker placed on structure:** _____

Applicant notified of status of application: Yes/No **Date** _____

When processing application, make a copy of check received for the application file.

The attractive, custom-made plaque measures 11" x 8" and is cast in bronze for either interior or exterior mounting, hardware included. Plaque cost is \$250, of which \$100 is tax deductible, as the Foundation is a 501 (c)(3), not for profit organization.

FHL Historic Marker Plaque Order Form Name: _____

Mailing Address _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

Number of Plaques ordered _____

Plaques are \$250 each.

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

*The Foundation accepts checks as well as Visa and Master Card.
Please make checks payable to the "Foundation for Historical Louisiana."*

Name on Card _____

Type of Card VISA MASTER CARD

Card Number _____

Expiration Date _____

Signature _____

*Return this order form and payment to:
The Foundation for Historical Louisiana
PO Box 908
Baton Rouge, LA 70821*