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Form 10-300  
(July 1969)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

### NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: <b>Michigan</b>	
COUNTY: <b>Kent</b>	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER <b>70-7.21-0013</b>	DATE <b>7/8/70</b>

#### 1. NAME

COMMON:  
**Grand Rapids Art Museum**

AND/OR HISTORIC:  
**Abram W. Pike House**

#### 2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:  
**230 Fulton Street, East**

CITY OR TOWN:  
**Grand Rapids**

STATE: **Michigan**      CODE: **21**      COUNTY: **Kent**      CODE: **081**



#### 3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____

#### 4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:  
**Grand Rapids Art Association**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
**230 Fulton Street, East**

CITY OR TOWN: **Grand Rapids**      STATE: **Michigan**      CODE: **21**

#### 5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:  
**Kent County Registry of Deeds**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
**40 Pearl Street, N.W.**

CITY OR TOWN: **Grand Rapids**      STATE: **Michigan**      CODE: **21**

#### 6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:  
**Historic American Buildings Survey (cont'd)**

DATE OF SURVEY: **1934**       Federal     State     County     Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:  
**Library of Congress**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
**Washington**

CITY OR TOWN: **Washington**      STATE: **Dist. of Columbia**      CODE: **08**

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated
		<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
(Check One)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Pike House is a frame, two-story building; its central mass has a gabled roof. At first it appears to be typical of the double-wing temple type of New York structure, but its unusual depth makes its geometric mass quite different. It is fronted by a two-story pedimented Doric tetrastyle portico with fluted columns. There are two symmetrical hip-roofed, one-story side wings, each with Doric colonnades. The entrance is of the side-hall type and has a transom. Formerly there were fireplaces in the front and east rooms. Around 1920 the interior was altered to house an art museum. The building opened as the Grand Rapids Art Museum in 1924, and several years later a brick addition was constructed at the rear enlarging the museum to five exhibition galleries, an auditorium, and a sculpture court.

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6. Representation in Existing Surveys (cont'd)

Michigan Historical Commission Registered Historic Building No. 27. Registered February 19, 1958.



**8. SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian |  16th Century |  18th Century |  20th Century  
 15th Century |  17th Century |  19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) c. 1844-1845

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- |  |   |  |  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Art                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature             | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater             | _____  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications          | <input type="checkbox"/> Music                  |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation            |   |  |  |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Pike House was built about 1844-1845 for Abram W. Pike who lived there until 1906. Pike was born in 1814 and as a young man was employed by the Port Sheldon company--a joint-stock company of Eastern capitalists. Speculating in land in the mid-1830s, the company built a lavish settlement directly west of Grand Rapids, on the eastern shore of Lake Michigan. The speculators hoped that Port Sheldon would become a metropolis rivaling Detroit and St. Louis. To that end they erected a grand hotel, the Ottawa House, with six tall Doric columns. The Panic of 1837 ended their grand dream, and by 1840 most of the population of Port Sheldon had departed.

Pike stayed behind as the company agent and tried for three years to liquidate its assets. In 1844 he moved permanently to Grand Rapids and built a house on Fulton Street with four tall Doric columns. Published accounts during Pike's lifetime assert that the pillars on his house are from the Ottawa House, although one of his descendants has denied that this was the case. Pike became a prominent Grand Rapids merchant and was active in municipal affairs.

Since 1924 the Pike House has been maintained as an art museum by the Grand Rapids Art Association. This house is an outstanding example of Greek Revival architecture of the 1840s. Its location on a main thoroughfare in Grand Rapids near the center of the business district makes it a prominent landmark.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS



9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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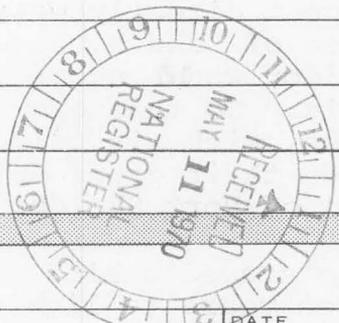
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: less than an acre

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE



11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: (Mrs.) Catherine Ellis

ORGANIZATION: Michigan Historical Commission DATE: 2-26-70

STREET AND NUMBER: 505 North Washington Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Lansing STATE: Michigan CODE: 21

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National  State  Local

Name: Ralph A. MacMulla  
 Title: Director DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Date: 5/8/70

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Ernest Allen Community  
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

**JUL 8 1970**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: William J. Mustang  
 Keeper of The National Register

Date: **MAY 27 1970**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS  
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COUNTY Kent	
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Smithe, Geneva. "Directory of Michigan Museums," Michigan History Magazine, XIV (Summer, 1930), 463-530.

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Grand Rapids Art Museum

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Bike House

REG. NUMBER 70.7.24.0013

DATE OF RECEIPT 5/11/70  
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 ACKNOWLEDGE 5/11/70

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MB 5/11/70

REVIEW

HISTORIAN COMMENTS

OK

Gambler 5/13/70

HISTORIAN COMMENTS

Ill learn this one up to the architects.

B.F. 5/25/70

ARCHITECT COMMENTS

OK I guess, but I'm tempted to refuse it because ① it has been altered, and ② it's in Grand Rapids

Chambers 5/19/70

Chief Architect

Chief Archeologist

Chief Historian

A.K. Bradford, 5/26/70

Keeper

COMMENTS

OK

Monty 5/27/70

ENTRY

CHIEF, OAHF COMMENTS

OK

7-8-70

EDITORIAL PROCESSING

EDITOR  
 Federal Register Entry  
 Annual Edition Entry

Date 8/4/70



It has been altered. Is the architecture still OK?

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Pike House

Grand Rapids, Michigan

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with photograph)

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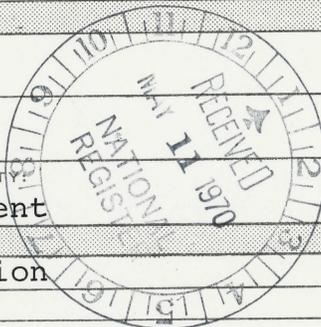
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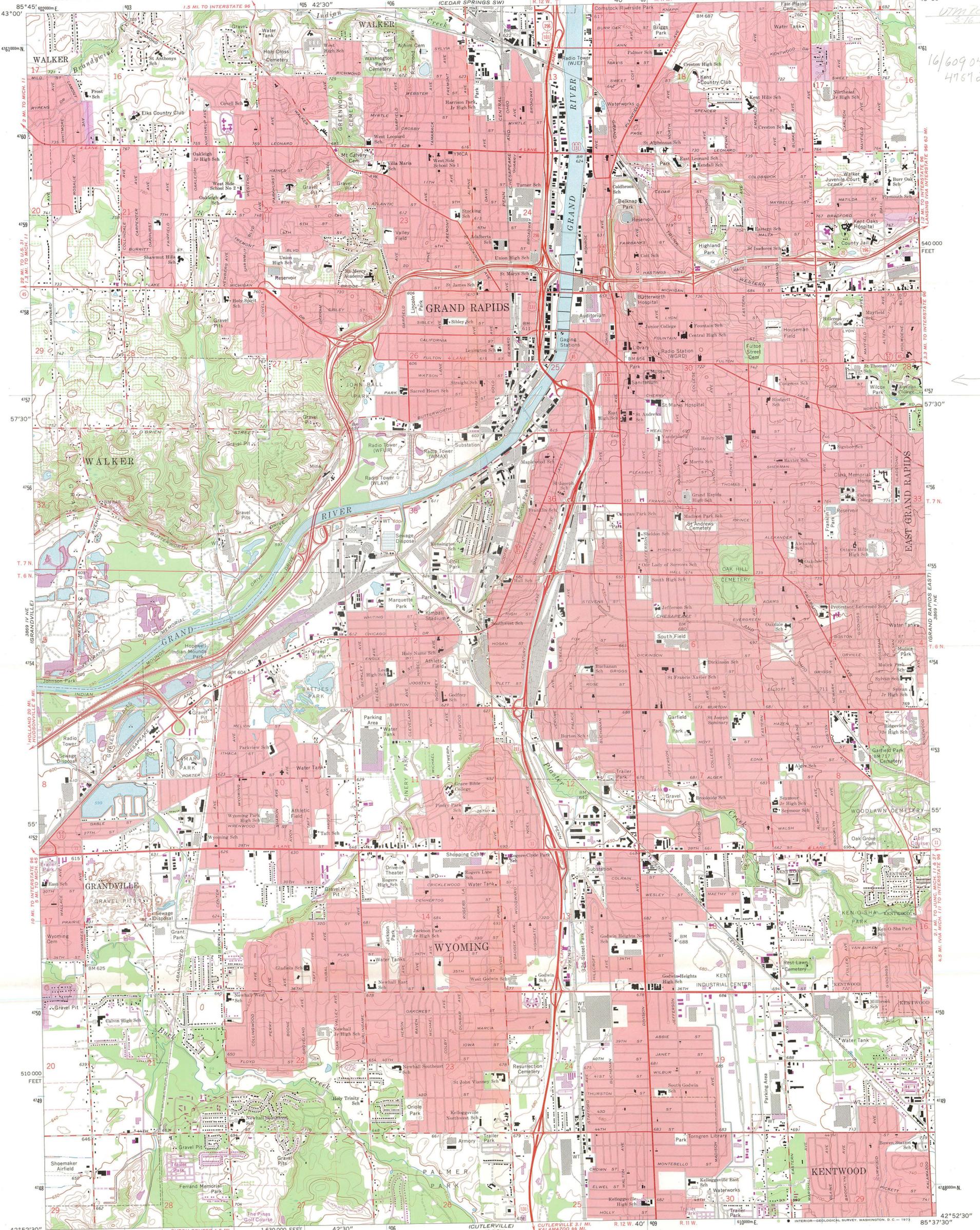
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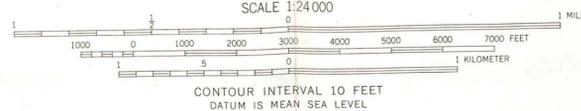
Front of building taken from the north side  
of Fulton Street.



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Control by USGS and USC&GS  
Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial photographs taken 1965. Field checked 1967  
Polyconic projection, 1927 North American datum  
10,000-foot grid based on Michigan coordinate system, south zone  
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks, zone 16, shown in blue  
Red tint indicates areas in which only landmark buildings are shown  
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked  
Revisions shown in purple compiled from aerial photographs taken 1972. This information not field checked  
Purple tint indicates extension of urban areas



ROAD CLASSIFICATION  
Heavy-duty ——— Light-duty ———  
Medium-duty ——— Unimproved dirt ———  
Interstate Route U.S. Route State Route

GRAND RAPIDS WEST, MICH.  
N4252.5—W8537.5/7.5

1967

PHOTOREVISED 1972

AMS 3869 I NW—SERIES V862

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS  
FOR SALE BY U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20242  
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST



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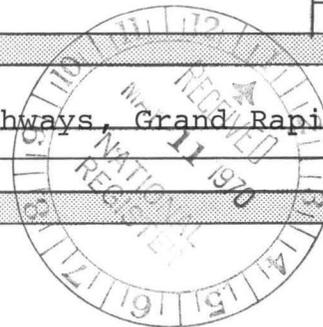
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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
PROPERTY MAP FORM

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<b>2. LOCATION</b>			
STREET AND NUMBER: 230 Fulton Street, East			
CITY OR TOWN: Grand Rapids			
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TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS			
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*7/6/70*  
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JUL 17 1970

**BASIC FILE RETAINED IN IR**

Hon. Gerald R. Ford  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Ford:

We are pleased to inform you that the historic properties listed on the enclosure have been nominated by the State Liaison Officer appointed by the Governor for the implementation of the National Historic Preservation Program in Michigan and have been entered into the National Register of Historic Places. Senators Philip A. Hart and Robert P. Griffin have also been provided with this information.

By copy of this letter, the State Liaison Officer, Mr. Ralph MacMullan, Director, Department of Conservation, Stevens T. Mason Building, Lansing, Michigan 48926, has likewise been notified. A leaflet explaining the National Register is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

Director

Enclosures

JUL 8 1970

Entered in the National Register

cc: Mr. Ralph MacMullan, Director, Department of Conservation, Stevens T. Mason Building, Lansing, Michigan 48926

Director, Northeast Region

cc: LL-Mr. Melvin  
HR  
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JUL 11 '70

Hon. Philip A. Hart  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Hart:

We are pleased to inform you that the historic properties listed on the enclosure have been nominated by the State Liaison Officer appointed by the Governor for the implementation of the National Historic Preservation Program in Michigan and have been entered into the National Register of Historic Places. Senator Robert P. Griffin and the appropriate Representatives have also been provided with this information. By copy of this letter, the State Liaison Officer, Mr. Ralph McMullen, Director, Department of Conservation, Stevens T. Mason Building, Lansing, Michigan 48926, has likewise been notified. A leaflet explaining the National Register is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

(SGD) GEORGE B. HARTZOG, JR.

Director

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Entered in the National Register JUL 8 1970

cc:

Mr. Ralph McMullen, Director, Department of Conservation, Stevens T. Mason Building, Lansing, Michigan 48926

Duplicate letter sent to: Hon. Robert P. Griffin  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C.

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cc: Director, Northeast Region

LL-Mr. Melvin

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Properties added to the National Register of Historical Places

MICHIGAN

- |   |                            |
|---|----------------------------|
| - St. Katherine's Chapel                                | Ingham County, Michigan    |
| - Mackinac House (Charles E.)                           | Mackinac, Michigan         |
| - <del>Beaumont</del> <u>Beaumont</u> Historic District | Beaumont, Michigan         |
| - Fort Mackinac   | Mackinac                   |
| John Johnston House                                     | Benzie County, Michigan    |
| Fort Wilkins  | Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan |
| Falsner House   | Copper Harbor, Michigan    |
| - Wiesner House   | Fortice, Michigan          |
| - <u>Grand Rapids Art Museum (Fike House)</u>           | Fontaine, Michigan         |
| - Turner House  | Grand Rapids, Michigan     |
| - Brooks (Harold C.) House                              | Grand Rapids, Michigan     |
| - Ladies' Library Association Building                  | Marshall, Michigan         |
| - Honolulu House  | Kalamazoo, Michigan        |
|   | Marshall, Michigan         |

H30-HR

JUL 9 1970

Mr. Ralph MacMillan  
Director  
Department of Conservation  
Stevens T. Mason Building  
Lansing, Michigan 48926

Dear Mr. MacMillan:

We are pleased to inform you that the historic properties listed on the enclosure have been placed on the National Register of Historic Places. Senators Philip A. Hart and Robert P. Griffin and the appropriate Representatives have also been notified. Please withhold any publicity on this until you have received a carbon copy of the Congressional correspondence.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)

Ernest Allen Connally  
Chief, Office of Archeology  
and Historic Preservation

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Entered in the National Register

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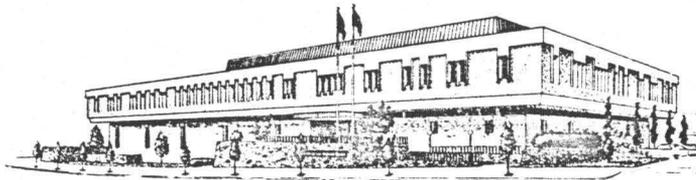
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MICHIGAN

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Fort Mackinac  
John Johnston House  
Fort Wilkins  
Palmer House  
Wisner House  
Grand Rapids Art Museum (Pike House)  
Turner House  
Brooks (Harold C.) House  
Ladies' Library Association Building  
Honolulu House

Ingham County, Michigan  
Muskegon, Michigan  
Romeo, Michigan  
Mackinac County, Michigan  
Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan  
Copper Harbor, Michigan  
Pontiac, Michigan  
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Grand Rapids, Michigan  
Grand Rapids, Michigan  
Marshall, Michigan  
Kalamazoo, Michigan  
Marshall, Michigan

# The Grand Rapids Press



Press Plaza, Vandenberg Center

Grand Rapids, Michigan 49502

Jan. 18, 1972

Dear Sir,

I am attempting to compile an accurate list of Kent County buildings and sites placed on the National Register of Historic Sites.

Listed below are the known registered sites, their designations and approximate date of registry. Would you please send me any additions or corrections to this list.

Please note that we have no date for the designation of the Ada Covered Bridge in Ada, Mich., and request that information, too.

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

Liz Hyman  
historic editor

- St. Cecilia Society Music Bldg., Grand Rapids, national site, 1/72.
- Norton Indian Mounds, Grand Rapids, national landmark, 1966.
- City Hall, Grand Rapids, national landmark, 5/69; razed 10/69.
- Eliphalet Turner House, Grand Rapids, national site, 8/70.
- Abram Pike House (art museum), Grand Rapids, national site, 8/70.
- Ada Covered Bridge, Ada,
- Heritage Hill District, Grand Rapids, national site, 3/71.

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FEB 22 1972

Miss Liz Hyman  
Historic Editor  
The Grand Rapids Press  
Press Plaza, Vandenberg Center  
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49502

Dear Miss Hyman:

We are pleased to respond to your inquiry of January 18, concerning those properties in Kent County which are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Below is the current list of sites and buildings and their date of entry on the Register:

- |  |          |
|--|----------|
| 1. Ada Covered Bridge                              | 2/16/70  |
| 2. <u>Pike</u> , Abram, House                      | 7/8/70   |
| 3. Turner House                                    | 7/8/70   |
| 4. Heritage Hill Historic District                 | 3/11/71  |
| 5. Ladies Literary Club                            | 10/26/71 |
| 6. St. Cecilia Society Building                    | 12/9/71  |
| 7. Lowell Library                                  | 1/13/72  |
| 8. Horton Mound Group (NHL) 1966                   |          |
| 9. Grand Rapids City Hall (NHL) 5/69 (razed 10/69) |          |

The first seven properties listed were added to the National Register as State nominations submitted by the State Liaison Officer for Historic Preservation, Mr. Samuel Milstein, Acting Deputy Director-Recreation, Department of Natural Resources, Mason Building, Lansing, Michigan 48926.

Those marked National Historic Landmark (NHL) were found to be of national significance and were so designated by the Secretary of the Interior. Enclosed are brochures which explain the difference between the National Register program

and the National Historic Landmark program.

Each year in February a complete cumulative listing of all historic properties entered in the National Register is published in the Federal Register. As new properties are added, they are published in the Federal Register the first Tuesday of each month as supplements. Libraries designated as Federal repositories receive the Federal Register daily; most major libraries are so designated. You may consult future additions to the National Register at one of these repositories, or subscribe to the Federal Register through the Government Printing Office. The new cumulative listing should be in the libraries shortly.

We appreciate your interest in the National Register program, and hope that you will let us know if we may be of any further assistance.

Sincerely yours,



Robert J. Mullen  
Chief, Branch of  
Registration

Enclosures

cc:  
Mr. Samuel Milstein, Acting Deputy Director-Recreation, Department  
of Natural Resources, Mason Building, Lansing, Michigan 48926 w-cy/inc.  
Director, Northeast Region w-cy/inc.

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GRAND RAPIDS ART MUSEUM

230 EAST FULTON, GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN 49502 · (616) 459-4676

November 29, 1974

Mr. William J. Murtagh, Keeper of the National Register  
Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation  
Washington, D. C.

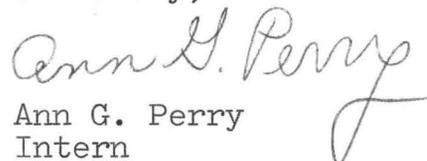
Dear Mr. Murtagh:

The Grand Rapids Art Museum is housed in a Greek Revival frame house, 1844-45, formerly the Abram W. Pike House. I understand that the building is listed in some way in the National Register of Historic Places. The Grand Rapids Heritage Hill Association is under the impression that the house is not listed separately, but only as part of the Heritage Hill designation.

The Art Museum itself did not file to be listed in the register and there seems to be some confusion here as to who initiated the action in Grand Rapids. I would appreciate any information you could give me regarding the status of the Pike House in the National Register

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

  
Ann G. Perry  
Intern

FRED A. MYERS, director

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12/16/74

DEC 17 1974

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*Kent County,  
Michigan*

Ms. Ann G. Perry  
Grand Rapids Art Museum  
230 East Fulton  
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49502

Dear Ms. Perry:

Thank you for your letter concerning the Grand Rapids Art Museum.

The Art Museum was listed individually on the National Register of Historic Places on July 8, 1970. All nominations to the Register are submitted by the appropriate State Historic Preservation Officer.

We are enclosing a leaflet describing the National Register program and the criteria for nominations. If you have additional questions concerning the nomination, you may wish to consult the Michigan State Historic Preservation Officer, Dr. Martha Bigelow, Director, Michigan History Division, Department of State, Lansing, Michigan 48918.

We appreciate your interest in historic preservation.

Sincerely yours,

((Sgd.) William J. Murtagh

William J. Murtagh  
Keeper of the National Register

**Enclosure**

cc: Dr. Martha Bigelow w/c inc

bcc: Regional Director, Midwest Region w/c inc  
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