

CASA FELIZ

A Newsletter from the Friends of Casa Feliz

Colloquium Specifics

WHAT:

The Tenth Annual James Gamble Rogers Colloquium on Historic Preservation Featuring Donovan Rypkema

WHEN:

Saturday, May 21, 2016

•9:30 am Registration, Tiedtke Auditorium, Rollins College

•10:00 am Morning Session:

Keynote lecture by Donovan Rypkema: "Historic Preservation and Economics: Recent Lessons from Home and Abroad"
Presentation of the 2016 Winter Park Historic Preservation Board Awards

•11:30 am Lunch at the Skillman Dining Hall, Rollins

•12:30 - 3:30 pm
"Grande Dames of Winter Park"
Tour of Homes

COST:

\$65 - entire day, includes lunch
\$50 - morning session and house tour only (lunch on your own)
\$25 - morning session only
(We do not offer house tour only tickets)

Register online starting April 1 at www.casafeliz.us



A DECADE OF CELEBRATING PRESERVATION

Nationwide, when journalists need a quote on historic preservation, their go-to expert is Donovan Rypkema. Highly entertaining and provocative, Rypkema leads the Washington, D.C.-based real estate and economic consulting firm Place Economics, and he will take the stage in Winter Park on May 21 as the keynote speaker of the Tenth Annual James Gamble Rogers Colloquium on Historic Preservation. His topic will be "Historic Preservation and Economics: Recent Lessons from Home and Abroad."

Rypkema is the 2012 Recipient of the Louise du Pont Crowninshield Award, the National Trust for Historic Preservation's highest honor, and teaches a graduate level preservation economics course at the University of Pennsylvania. His book, *The Economics of Historic Preservation*, is the how-to manual for community leaders looking to revitalize their downtown business districts. His clients include the Urban Land Institute, the American Planning Association, and the

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Quotable Rypkema:

“Historic buildings are the physical expression of memory, and it is memory that makes places significant.”

“It is fundamentally unsustainable to be tearing down historic buildings so that we can build some green gizmo thing.”

“Historic buildings are lovely in themselves, but their greater value comes from their roles as vital parts of dynamic, living cities.”

“Letting the faddishness of the LEED system justify the destruction of historic buildings is criminal.”

“I’m for density, and I’m for public transportation. But when you have a single fulcrum upon which everything else falls subordinate, then (you sacrifice) affordable housing, historic preservation, and small business incubation.”

International Downtown Association, and he has consulted in 49 states and across the globe.

The morning session will take place in the Tiedtke Auditorium at Rollins College (see sidebar “Colloquium Specifics.”) It will also include the presentation of the Winter Park Historic Preservation Board’s annual awards for excellence in local

rehabilitation projects. After lunch at the Skillman Dining Hall on campus, guests will depart for a bus tour of the “Grande Dames of Winter Park,” featuring some of the oldest and grandest landmark homes in the city, including the Geer-van den Berg House (1876), the Gary-Morgan House (1927), and Ward Cottage (1883).

The presenting sponsor for this year’s Colloquium is Lamar Design. Other generous financial and in-kind sponsors as of this

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Gary-Morgan House



Geer-van den Berg House

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*Professor Julian Chambliss
will speak on April 26*

PARLOR SERIES TO FOCUS ON HANNIBAL SQUARE & WEST SIDE

What do you see when you look at Winter Park's West Side? It depends on your perspective. Perhaps you see an historic African-American neighborhood, the home of city pioneers like Gus Henderson, Walter Simpson and Frank Israel. Perhaps you see relatively inexpensive land a stone's throw from some of the most desirable real estate in Central Florida—the Park Avenue business district. And your perspective likely colors what role you feel the city should play in determining the neighborhood's future. Is it Winter Park's responsibility to help safeguard the neighborhood as a place where people of color and mid-lower income folks can live close to downtown? Or is it the city's role to eliminate barriers between real estate investors and soil ideally suited for planting high end duplexes?

These questions will provide the framework for our next Casa Feliz Parlor Series, "Hannibal Square: Evolution of a Dream," a presentation by Dr. Julian Chambliss, scheduled for Tuesday, April 26 at 7 p.m. at the Winter Park Community Center. The event will be co-sponsored by the Winter Park History Museum and the Hannibal Square Heritage Center. The popular Rollins history Professor is an expert on urban history and culture, and heads up the Africa and African-American Studies program at the college. Dr. Chambliss will provide a brief history of the West Side neighborhood through the decades, and tee up the issues facing West Side residents, and the city at large, in 2016. Is a balance possible between preserving the city's historic black neighborhood and allowing redevelopment to take place? What do today's West Side residents want for their neighborhood? We hope you'll join the discussion.

WHAT:

"Hannibal Square: Evolution of a Dream," by Dr. Julian Chambliss

WHEN:

Tuesday, April 26, 7pm

WHERE:

Winter Park Community Center, 771 W. New England Avenue

No Registration Necessary

Reception following the program at the Hannibal Square Heritage Center

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