

Oregon Historic Site Record

LOCATION AND PROPERTY NAME			
address:	2203 SE Pine St Portland, Multnomah County	historic name:	Blakely, Charles O. and Carie C., House
assoc addresses:	741 E. Pine; 471 E. 22nd Street; 741 E. 22nd Street	current/other names:	
location descr:		block/lot/tax lot:	
		twshp/rng/sect/qtr sect:	1N 1E 35
PROPERTY CHARACTERISTICS			
resource type:	Building	height (stories):	2.0
elig evaluation:	eligible/significant	total elig resources:	1
prim constr date:	c. 1893	NR Status:	Individually Listed
	second date:	1895	date indiv listed:
			03/06/2019
primary orig use:	Single Dwelling	orig use comments:	
second orig use:		prim style comments:	
primary style:	Queen Anne	sec style comments:	
secondary style:	Stick	siding comments:	
primary siding:	Horizontal Board	architect:	
secondary siding:	Shingle	builder:	Charles Blakely
plan type:			
comments/notes:			
Re-addressed multiple times, see above for associated addresses. RTO HRR responded to 1/22/18 RTO			
GROUPINGS / ASSOCIATIONS			
Survey/Grouping Included In:	Type of Grouping	Date Listed	Date Compiled
Portland Oregon's Eastside Historic and Architectural Resources, 1850-1938 MPD	MPS	01/27/1989	1988
SHPO INFORMATION FOR THIS PROPERTY			
NR date listed:	03/06/2019	Special Assessment	106 Project(s):
ILS survey date:		Status	None
RLS survey date:		Term	Federal Tax
		End Yr	Project(s):
		PR Review	None
		1st	
		2027	
ARCHITECTURAL / PROPERTY DESCRIPTION			
(Includes expanded description of the building/property, setting, significant landscape features, outbuildings and alterations)			
<p>The Charles O. and Carie C. Blakely House located at 2203 SE Pine Street is a two-story wood frame Queen Anne-style residence located in the northeast corner of the Buckman neighborhood of inner southeast Portland. The ground area of the Blakely House is 1234 square feet, with approximately 2000 square feet of living area above grade, and 300 square feet of finished basement. The setting is a turn-of-the-twentieth century residential neighborhood with hard surface streets, concrete curb and gutter, and concrete sidewalks. The tree canopy and landscaping with shrubs and flowers are typical of an older Portland neighborhood. The Blakely House was built c. 1893 and displays many of the typical massing and decorative elements of the late Victorian-era Queen Anne style, including windows with colored multi-pane borders. There are several vertical and horizontal details that are representative of the Stick style as well, such as the vertical and horizontal trim boards and decorative panels surrounding the windows and doors. However, an outstanding aspect of the Blakely House is the angular "butterfly" design on the prominent façade facing the southwest. (see photos #1 and #2) A butterfly plan is a type of architectural plan in which two or more wings of a house are constructed at an angle to the core, usually at approximately ninety degrees to the wall of the core building. It was used primarily in late Victorian architecture and during the early Arts and Crafts movement. The L-shaped butterfly massing creates a symmetrical appearance that is accentuated by the nearly cubic form of the footprint. The two-story hip roof mass is intersected by three gables oriented to the west, southwest, and south. The placement of the three gables adds to the symmetry of the structure. The butterfly footprint, cubic massing, and symmetrically placed gables all create a distinctive appearance that is unusual for Queen Anne-style houses. These elements clearly distinguish the Blakely House from all other Queen Anne-style houses in the area. Numerous alterations to the interior of the residence were made when the house was converted to a duplex in 1927, a seven-unit apartment in 1984, and a triplex in 1994. Despite these major alterations, the Blakely House retains its character defining features such as the windows with colored multi-pane borders, bargeboard, and the butterfly design and remains an outstanding and unique example of Queen Anne architecture.</p>			
HISTORY			
(Chronological, descriptive history of the property from its construction through at least the historic period - preferably to the present)			
<p>The Blakely House is locally significant under Criterion C in the area of Architecture, as a distinctive and well-preserved example of Queen Anne architecture. In addition to its embodiment as a unique and outstanding example of the Queen Anne style, the Blakely house is configured in an unusual butterfly massing rarely seen in the city or region. Aspects of the Stick style are evident in the façade of the house, as well. The Blakely house was built c. 1893 and is a notable example of the architecture of Portland's growing streetcar suburbs in the 1890s. The property was purchased by Carie Blakely on November 30, 1891. The first entry for the address of the Blakely House in the Portland City Directory is 1893, with Carie and Charles Blakely listed as owners and Charles Blakely listed as "builder". The period of significance for the Blakely House is c. 1893, the year of its construction. The Blakely House is located within the boundaries of Portland Oregon's Eastside Historic and Architectural Resources, 1850-1938, a multiple property document (MPD) revised in 2012. The Blakely House meets the registration requirements of the multiple property document in that the Blakely House was built between 1862 and 1938, retains sufficient integrity to evoke the character of the Queen Anne style, and is one of the best examples of the Queen Anne style in the area. Therefore, the Blakely House is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under the registration requirements of the multiple property document.</p>			
RESEARCH INFORMATION			
Title Records	Census Records	Property Tax Records	Local Histories
Sanborn Maps	Biographical Sources	SHPO Files	Interviews
Obituaries	Newspapers	State Archives	Historic Photographs
City Directories	Building Permits	State Library	
Local Library:	University Library:	University of Oregon, University of Nebraska	
Historical Society:	Other Repository:		
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