



Collecting Yesterday for Tomorrow

Baytown Historical Preservation Association

at the Republic of Texas Plaza

www.baytownhistory.org

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INFORMATION FOR GROUP TOURS

The Baytown Historical Preservation Association (“BHPA”) operates the 1894 Wooster Common School District No. 38 which is believed to be the oldest existing one-room frame schoolhouse indigenous to Harris County and the 1908-1910 Brown-McKay Farmhouse built by Walter Brown, one of the early pioneers in the area. As funds allow, the BHPA is working diligently to restore the 1898 Bert Brown and 1910 John C. Sjolander homes in hopes to have them open for tours in the near future.

The Republic of Texas Plaza is also home to a statue of Ashbel Smith, one of Baytown’s early settlers who was a pioneer physician, diplomat and official of the Republic of Texas, Confederate officer, and first President of the Board of Regents of the University of Texas.

Explore late 19th and early 20th century life and culture by touring the authentically restored Wooster School and Brown-McKay House as well as a reproduction post and beam barn that houses historical artifacts and is used as a meeting room.

Tours last approximately one (1) hour to one and one-half hours (1.5).

- Tours must be scheduled at least two (2) weeks in advance of tour date.
- Unfortunately, parts of our historic site are not handicapped accessible.

Reservations

- All groups desiring a tour **MUST** have a reservation. Tour organizers must submit the number of attendees coming to the living history museum as well as all contact information for the group.
- Our tours involve standing, walking, and stairs. Information about visitors with special needs should be given in advance of the visit.
- The BHPA requires that children under 16 years of age be accompanied. Adult caregivers will be expected to reinforce site rules and regulations and maintain good supervision of the children in their care.

Admission

- Admission is \$3 per person regardless of age with a minimum charge of \$30.
- A minimum nonrefundable deposit for any specifically arranged group tour is \$30.00 and is payable upon booking.
- The balance of the admission is due upon arrival at the Plaza. The exact change is required as we do not keep cash on hand.
- In the event of inclement weather we will gladly reschedule your visit.

Arrival Procedures and Parking

- When you arrive, a member of the BHPA’s team will meet you at the entrance of the Republic of Texas Plaza. If one is not there, please send one person to the Wooster Schoolhouse to announce your arrival.
- Parking is free.

Amenities

- The restrooms in our air conditioned/heated barn are handicap accessible.
- Photography and videotaping is permitted on group tours in all public areas of the site. Please note that the BHPA reserves the right to photograph the group tour activities for use in future site publications and publicity. If the group has any objections to being photographed, please make them known to the BHPA docents before the start of the visit.



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Group Tour Registration

Date: _____ How did you hear about us? _____

Name of Group: _____

Group Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact Person(s): _____

Phone No.: _____ Alternate Phone No.: _____

E-mail: _____

Preferred Date of Visit: _____ Time: _____

Alternate Date of Visit: _____ Alternate Time: _____

Number in Group: _____ (Tours are \$3 per person with a minimum charge of \$30.)

Other (special needs): _____

A \$30 non-refundable deposit is due upon booking the tour.

Please make check payable to BHPA and mail with completed form to:

Baytown Historical Preservation Association
P. O. Box 1244
Baytown TX 77522-1244

Office Use Only

Date Confirmation mailed: _____ # of Docents Required: _____

Docents assigned: 1) _____ 2) _____

: 3) _____ 4) _____