

LIVING LANDMARKS | A TASTE OF NEW MEXICO

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Mother's Day Downtown Historic Home, Garden and Architectural Tour

Albuquerque - The Downtown Neighborhoods Association (DNA) is holding its biennial Mother's Day Historic Home Tour, "LIVING LANDMARKS, A TASTE OF ALBUQUERQUE", Sunday May 13th, 2018, 11:00am – 3:00pm . The Downtown Neighborhoods (west of downtown between Central and Mountain Rd) is comprised of several distinct neighborhoods. This year's tour will feature homes in the 4th Ward Historic District and Watson Addition. The Historic Overlay Zones were designated by the city to protect areas of historical, architectural or cultural significance. Many of the houses in these neighborhoods are also, on the Register of National and State Historical Places. The Downtown Neighborhoods feature houses that reflect the diverse materials and architectural styles that sprang up as Albuquerque expanded from Old Town to New Town with the railroad and all of its influences.

Today you can still see American Foursquare, Queen Anne, Colonial Revival, Tudor Revival, Territorial, Pueblo Style adobe, Victorian, Prairie Style, Bungalows and Craftsman throughout our neighborhoods. Many of the homes on the tour have been lovingly restored to their original splendor with modern conveniences. Progress is also being made as some homes are being renovated with a respect for the past and a nod to the future, while in-fill projects are also keeping the neighborhood vibrant and diverse.

Come spend the day with us, tour some of the oldest, most exciting and beautiful houses in Albuquerque. The money we raise will support a variety of community projects and events such as the Harwood Arts Center, the Lew Wallace Elementary School field trip and arts programs, The Downtown Grower's Market, neighborhood beautification and tree reforestation projects.

The DNA and ABQ Trolley(*The Albuquerque Tourism and Sight Seeing Factory*) will offer complimentary trolley stops at designated points along the tour route, but not at individual homes. The





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students at Lew Wallace Elementary will be presenting portraits of our historic homes, with an Art exhibit to showcase their work in homes along the tour and at Lew Wallace Elementary School.

This year we are partnering with the CNM Food Truck Institute to feature food trucks from across New Mexico. There will be two locations for the convenience of the tour goers; Tiguex Park (between 17th and 19th on Old Town Rd NW) and Lew Wallace Elementary School (7th St NW between Fruit and Roma NW).

Tickets include:

\$20.00 day of tour tickets, available at Lew Wallace Elementary School starting at 10:30AM.. May 13th, 2018

\$18.00 advance purchase, March 1st – Wednesday, May 4th at <u>abqdna.com</u>

ABQ Trolley - AT&SF - Albuquerque Tourism and Sight Seeing Factory is providing coupons for a discount on one of their fabulous services with the first 500 tickets purchased.

Special Limited Availability "Dine and Discover" Tickets, including a fabulous luncheon at a nearby restaurant and a Historic Home Tour Ticket, (refer to the DNA Website for full details) Ticket cost TBA

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