# Let's get exploring!

Grab some comfy shoes, something to write and draw with, and maybe a clipboard or thin, hardcover book and head out to explore! Put a checkmark next to each of the buildings listed that you pass.



This route is best traveled by foot.

You'll begin your scavenger hunt at Carrollton Courthouse, 7119 South Carrollton Ave.

# Cut your badge out after completing the scavenger hunt!



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# Garrollon FAMILY FULL FAMILY SCRAMBLE

### 719 S. Carrollton Ave.

Isn't this building – the Carrollton Courthouse – grand? It was once the courthouse for Jefferson Parish, and then it was used as a school, called John McDonogh No. 23. Do you notice all the trees? This school was the first in the state to celebrate Arbor Day, and the students planted many of these trees while celebrating the holiday!

> Look closely at the columns on the building. Below, circle the type of columns you see!



### 2 801 S. Carrollton Ave.

Walk down the street a bit and you'll see a grey building with black quoins (those are the black rectangles on the corners of the building.) Look closely at the top of the window shutters and draw the shape you see. By the way, this building was originally a post office!

### 3 813, 815-17 S. Carrollton Ave.

Two houses down, you'll see two single shotgun houses that are twins. They are different colors, but the actual buildings are very similar, although they've certainly changed since they were built around 1885. List three things that are different about them. The next two houses are twins, too! Can you spot some differences between them?



### 4 907 S. Carrollton Ave.

Cross over Burthe St. - don't forget to look both ways! - and spot the tan house with natural wooden window shutters. This style of architecture is called "Queen Anne". How many different types of windows can you count?

### 5 917 S. Carrollton Ave.

Right next door, you'll see another beautiful house. This one doesn't have any moons, but it does have some motifs that look like sunshine. It's another example of Queen Anne-style architecture. If you could use any colors to paint this house, which colors would you choose?



draw here!

### Queen Anne

### 6 1015 S. Carrollton Ave.

Cross the street, and you'll see a fenced yard with a big, brick house. This is called the Wilkinson-Bruno House. It was built in 1849 and is an example of Romantic Gothic architecture – a style that was not very popular in the south. The columns on this house are octagons, which is just one of the Gothic-style elements of this house.

Notice the plaque on the fence? This building is on the National Register of Historic Places, which is the country's official list of buildings, sites, and objects that must be preserved for their historical importance. This house will be around for a very, very long time!

### 7 1227-1239 S. Carrollton Ave.

Continue walking down through the next intersection (Burdette and Freret Streets). Look to your left and you'll see a very fancy white and green house. It's magnificent, isn't it? This home looked very different when it was originally built in the late 1800s. Here's a fun fact - the second story of this house used to be the first story! It was renovated around 1917, and they actually raised the house to add what you see as the first floor today.

Now, take a right and head the opposite way down Maple street, back towards S. Carrollton Ave. Walk for a few minutes, and you'll eventually see a big, white building with thick columns to your right. The architectural style of this building is Greek Revival. Do you see the triangular structure at the very top of the building? That's called a pediment. This was once a girl's school, and you might be surprised to learn that this is one of the oldest buildings in the area. It was built in 1844!



14 7800 Oak St.

Keep walking to the next intersection, the corner of Burdette and Oak Streets. Can you find another corner store building? If you had to guess, what do you think might have once been sold in this old store? Draw it!

Walk for a few minutes, and you'll pass some buildings that were built more recently and are therefore not yet considered historic. You'll come upon three older houses soon. These houses all have something in common, and that is that they are all raised, although the second and third houses are much higher than the first. Why do you think so many houses in New Orleans are raised? Here's a hint - it has to do with our warm and wet climate.

### After the light purple house, take a right turn onto Plum St.!

### 9 8002 Plym St.

Keep walking and you'll see a house with what looks a bit like a steering wheel on a sailboat at the very top of the house. The house was once owned by the vice president of Higgins Industries, a company famous for building boats. At the very bottom of the house, you'll see something very common on New Orleans homes - oval, cast iron vents. These are called soffit vents. Can you draw one?



Cross the street and look to your right. This apartment building was built in 1921 and is Mediterranean-style. See the little squares that stick out above the door? Those are called dentils. Can you guess why they're called dentils? Here's a hint – they don't need a dentist for a cleaning!

### 12 1300 Burdette St.

Walk down another block. You'll probably notice a lot of the architectural elements we've talked about on the houses you pass. You'll eventually arrive at Williams Plum Street Snowballs! You're about halfway through the route, so it might be a nice time to stop for a frozen treat! One thing you might notice about this building is that the corner has a door angled and facing the corner of Plum and Burdette streets. Keep your eye out for these types of buildings - you'll see these

"corner stores" all around the city.



color me!

### 13 1218, 1221, 1223 Burdette St.

Walk for a bit, and you'll eventually turn onto Burdette St. Look at the different buildings on the next block or so. Can you spot a few double shotgun homes? These houses have two entry doors and are long and narrow. You'll see a grey one, a peach one and a dark pink one.

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### 15 1032 Byrdette St.

Walk down another block. You'll come upon a white single shotgun house to your right. You might notice that this house is taller in the back. This type of house is called a camelback shotgun, because it has a "hump" like a camel! The taller part of the house in the back has an extra floor, which is a great way to add extra living space to these narrow shotgun houses.

### 16 1020 Burdette St.

Now, turn around and look at the blue house across the street. Do you see the intricate wooden features hanging above the porch? These are called brackets - or corbels - and are seen on many shotgun houses in the city.

### 16 925 Burdette St.

### 16 7835 Maple St.

You'll eventually make it back to S. Carrollton Ave. Great job!

You've made it through the route and earned this Young Preservationist badge on the back panel! When you get home, use scissors to cut it out.