



Welcome...

eau claire landmarks

More and more, Americans are realizing the importance of saving tangible links with their past: the statues, houses and workplaces of the courageous men and women who shaped our cities and towns. To this end, in 1974 the Eau Claire City Council created the Eau Claire Landmarks Commission. The seven appointed commission members are charged with protecting, enhancing and preserving properties and sites that reflect Eau Claire's cultural, social, economic, political and architectural history. Such locally important properties are designated as Eau Claire Landmarks. Some are also recognized as historically important at the national level and are listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

This site is designed to allow greater access to information about Eau Claire's designated historic properties, to foster a greater awareness and appreciation of the city's past, a stronger civic pride and a firm commitment to historic preservation.

Historic sites within the city are organized into five geographically distinct areas: Downtown, West Side, Third Ward, East Side and North Side. Boundaries can be seen on the [Map of Historic Areas](#).

A more detailed map is provided for each area, showing the locations of the historic sites within that area. Each site has a symbol (see [Explanation of Symbols](#)), which is linked to a photograph and description of the associated property. The properties are named after their original owners. Also indicated on the sectional map are the boundaries of five historic districts that have been identified in the city.

Properties which have been locally landmarked or placed on the National Register are included together with eligible properties. Since preservation efforts are continuing, additional properties may be designated in the future.

Let this site take you back to the early days at this river junction. Imagine the buzzing of the nearby sawmills, the whistle of the steamboats as they arrive with goods and passengers, the clip-clop of the horses pulling their buggies along the packed dirt roads, the clang of the streetcars taking busy people to work and play. Step into the past. Experience Eau Claire's rich heritage.



Setting the Stage

Explanation of Symbols

Quick Reference to Architectural Styles

Map of Historic Areas

Downtown

West Side

Third Ward

East Side

North Side

Acknowledgements and Bibliography