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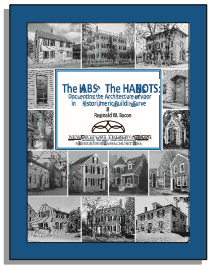
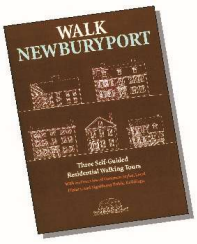
The HABS and the HABs NOTs

Documenting the Architecture of Newburyport in the Historic American Buildings Survey



The HABS and the HABs Nots takes a look back at the Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS), the wide-ranging federal program that advanced historic preservation throughout the U.S. in the 1930s. For viewing pleasure, the large-format casebound volume presents the crisp analog photos and elegant measured drawings for the surveys conducted in Newburyport, Mass., the small coastal city north of Boston known widely for the riches of its authentic 18th- and 19th-century domestic architecture.

The "HABs Nots" Gallery then takes a look at the future of preservation in the once down-and-out but rejuvenated port city. The city's smaller-footprint historic homes, never the subject of the HABS-like attention lavished upon its Georgian and Federal-style showplaces, fill the city's 750-acre National Register Historic District and contribute to its ambiance. Yet their authenticity is at the greatest risk of being lost to "the march of progress."



Walk Newburyport

Three Self-Guided Residential Walking Tours, With an Overview of Common Styles, Local History, and Significant Public Buildings

Walk Newburyport is sure to lead you to new discoveries of architectural gems, all within a short distance from downtown. Prepared by local architects, writers, and designers, the book includes an introduction to the periods and styles of domestic architecture in Newburyport, a glossary of terms, and historical sidebars in addition to the walking tours. *Walk Newburyport* is a must-have for residents who want to learn more about the buildings that give Newburyport its special character, and a must-have for those who enjoy introducing Newburyport to their guests.

If This House Could Talk

Once a year during Yankee Homecoming celebrations, Greater Newburyport residents display homemade signs about their home - its history, the occupants, or favorite stories. The signs and homes are captured photographically in this full color book. This is a great way to learn more about the history and architecture of the town.

The 2024 edition of "If This House Could Talk" is hot off the press and makes a great gift! This beautiful book, in hardcover and softcover, captures the history, occupants, and architecture of many of Newburyport's beautiful homes. During the yearly Yankee Homecoming celebration residents create and display homemade signs about their homes and some of their favorite stories associated with it.

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