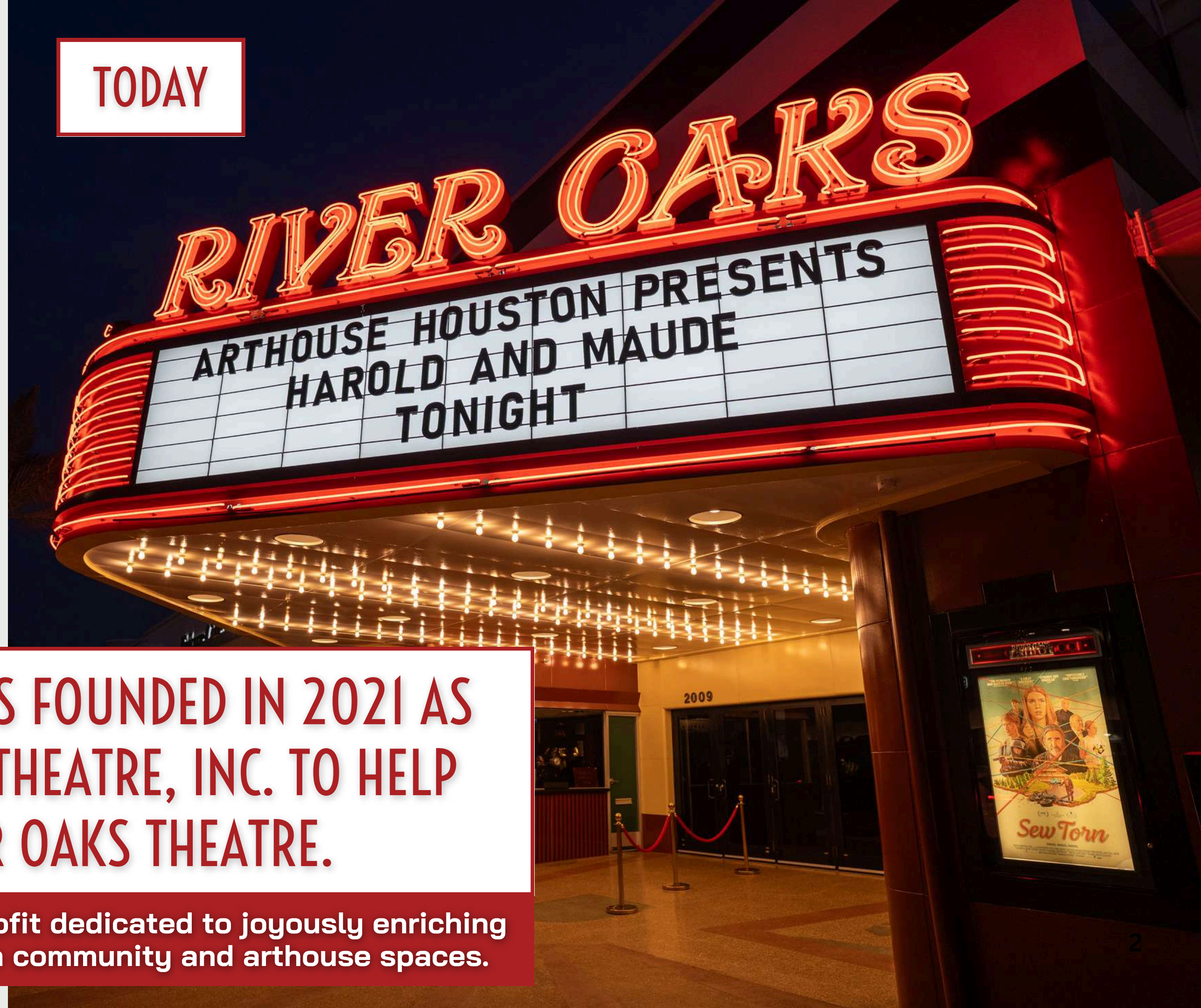


CULTURAL ARTS
& FILM CENTER
AT GARDEN OAKS
THEATER ON
2.3 ACRE
PROPERTY





TODAY



ABOUT US

ARTHOUSE HOUSTON WAS FOUNDED IN 2021 AS FRIENDS OF RIVER OAKS THEATRE, INC. TO HELP SAVE THE HISTORIC RIVER OAKS THEATRE.

We are a 501(c)(3) community non-profit dedicated to joyously enriching and preserving Houston's artistic film community and arthouse spaces.

OUR NEXT CHAPTER

A ONE-OF-A-KIND CULTURAL ARTS & FILM CENTER

AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE HEIGHTS,
GARDEN OAKS, & INDEPENDENCE HEIGHTS



PHASE 2
PHASE 1

MARCH 2028

\$18M RESTORED & OPENED

PURCHASE GARDEN OAKS THEATER ARTS & FILM CENTER

STOP THE WRECKING BALL--PHASE 1

If this acquisition is not completed, the property will revert back to the developer, who's stated intention is to demolish for a strip center.

AUG 31ST 2026

\$7.1M STOP THE WRECKING BALL

**PURCHASE OUTRIGHT \$7.1 + \$2.2M CLOSE & CARRYING COSTS = \$9.3M
TO CLOSE THE GAP = NEED \$7.5M MORE NOW**

AUG 31ST 2026

\$3.1M BRIDGE LOAN (OPTION)

NEED \$1.3M MORE NOW MINIMUM TO CLOSE

(Includes \$2m down + plus \$200k closing costs + \$.9m for 1 year partial carrying costs)

AUG 19TH 2026

**\$1.8M PLEDGES & DONATIONS
COMMITTED FOR PHASE 1**

**PROPERTY CLOSING
END OF AUGUST**



CULTURAL ARTS & FILM CENTER AT GARDEN OAKS THEATER

OUR VISION TO UNITE ARTISTS AND LEADING ARTS ORGANIZATIONS TO CREATE DIVERSE EXPERIENCES IN FILM, LIVE PERFORMANCE, MUSIC, EDUCATION, AND MORE.

We aim to help establish the city as a leader with this vibrant community space and enrich Houston's cultural landscape for all.

DEVELOP OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITY

CREATE A CULTURAL HUB FOR THE CITY

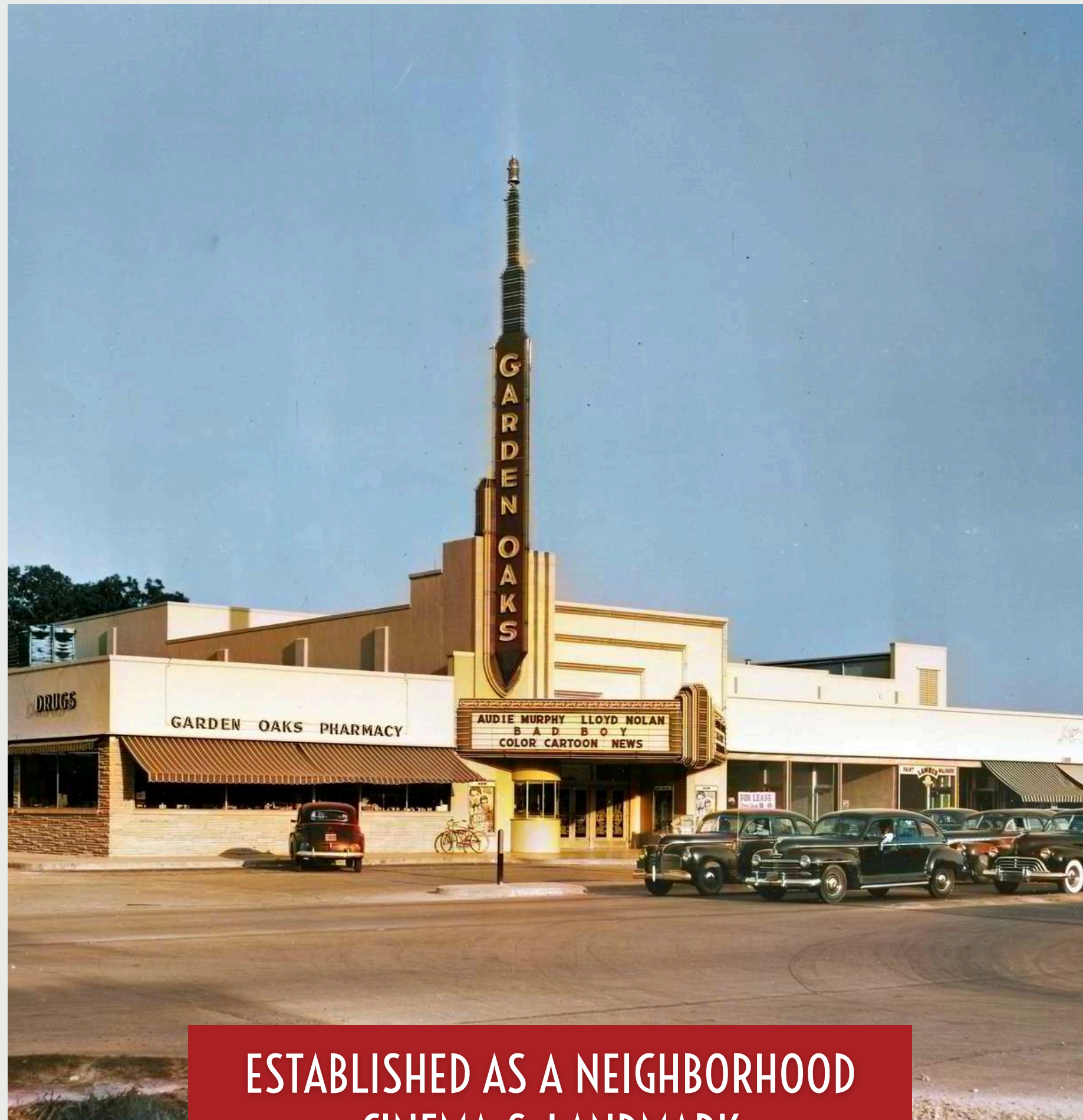
ACT AS A PROGRAMMING CATALYST

PRESERVE AN IRREPLACEABLE LANDMARK

OPENED IN 1947



DESIGNED BY DALLAS ARCHITECTURE FIRM
PETTIGREW & WORLEY, WHO ALSO DESIGNED THE
HISTORIC RIVER OAKS THEATRE



ESTABLISHED AS A NEIGHBORHOOD
CINEMA & LANDMARK

LOVINGLY MAINTAINED & PRESERVED
BY THE ZARZANA FAMILY



**SOLD IN 2025 IN A PRIVATE, OFF-MARKET
TRANSACTION TO A STRIP CENTER INVESTOR...**

**PERMITTED FOR DEMOLITION
IN MARCH OF 2026**

**A BEAUTIFUL HISTORIC PROPERTY THAT
COULD BE SO MUCH MORE...**



OVERVIEW OF THE PROPERTY

2.3 ACRES OF LAND

24,000 SFT ENCLOSED BUILDING

8,000 SFT MAIN AUDITORIUM

700+ SEATING CAPACITY

2,400 SFT FOYER

8,500 SFT RETAIL

4,200 SFT OFFICES & STORAGE

192 PARKING SPACES

RIDE SHARE CIRCLE DRIVE

HIGH TRAFFIC AREA (40,000 VEHICLES/DAY)



REIMAGINED FOR TODAY

LOBBY

GRAND ENTRY HUB
LINKING ALL

- Box Office
- Ticket Office
- Bar & Concession
- Indie Books & Video
- Performers Landing

MAIN HALL

- Main Auditorium
- Standing Foyer
- Stadium Seating
- Balcony

PHARMACY

- Retro Cafe/Soda Fountain
- Exhibition Hall
- Co-Working
- Conference Room
- Breakout Rooms

POST OFFICE

- Sidewalk Bistro
- Residency Coworking
- Recording Studio
- Editing Studio
- Green Room
- Maker Space
- Art Classrooms
- Putput Gallery

EXTRAS

- Rooftop Bar
- Exhibition Space
- Drive-in Theater & Art Car

FLEX HALL

- LED Sound Stage
- Exhibition Hall
- Dance Lab

THE CENTRAL HUB CONNECTS THE CAFE, GALLERY, MAIN HALL, EDUCATION, & MAKERS SPACES

LOBBY

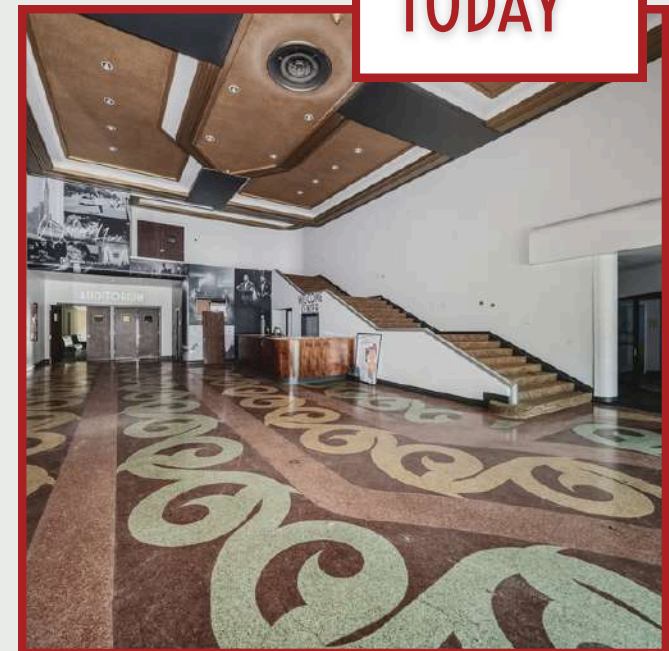


THE LOBBY

1947



TODAY



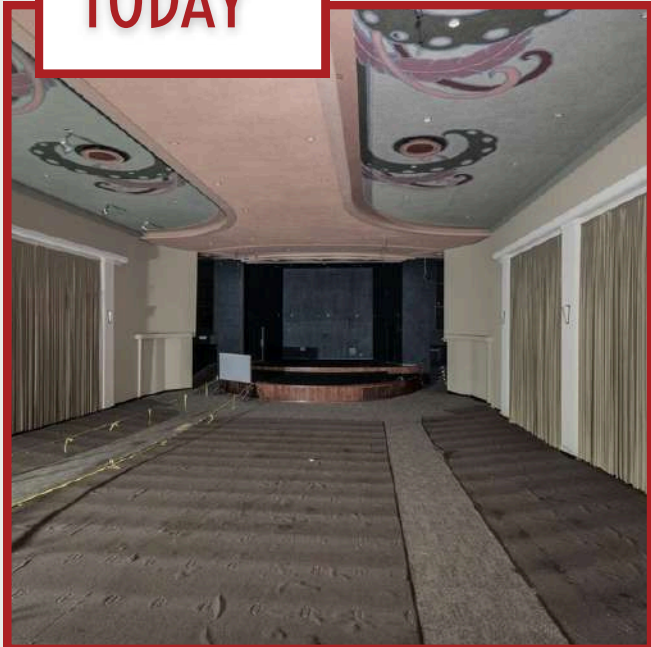
MAIN HALL

HOME FOR FILM, LIVE PERFORMANCES, & FESTIVALS

1947



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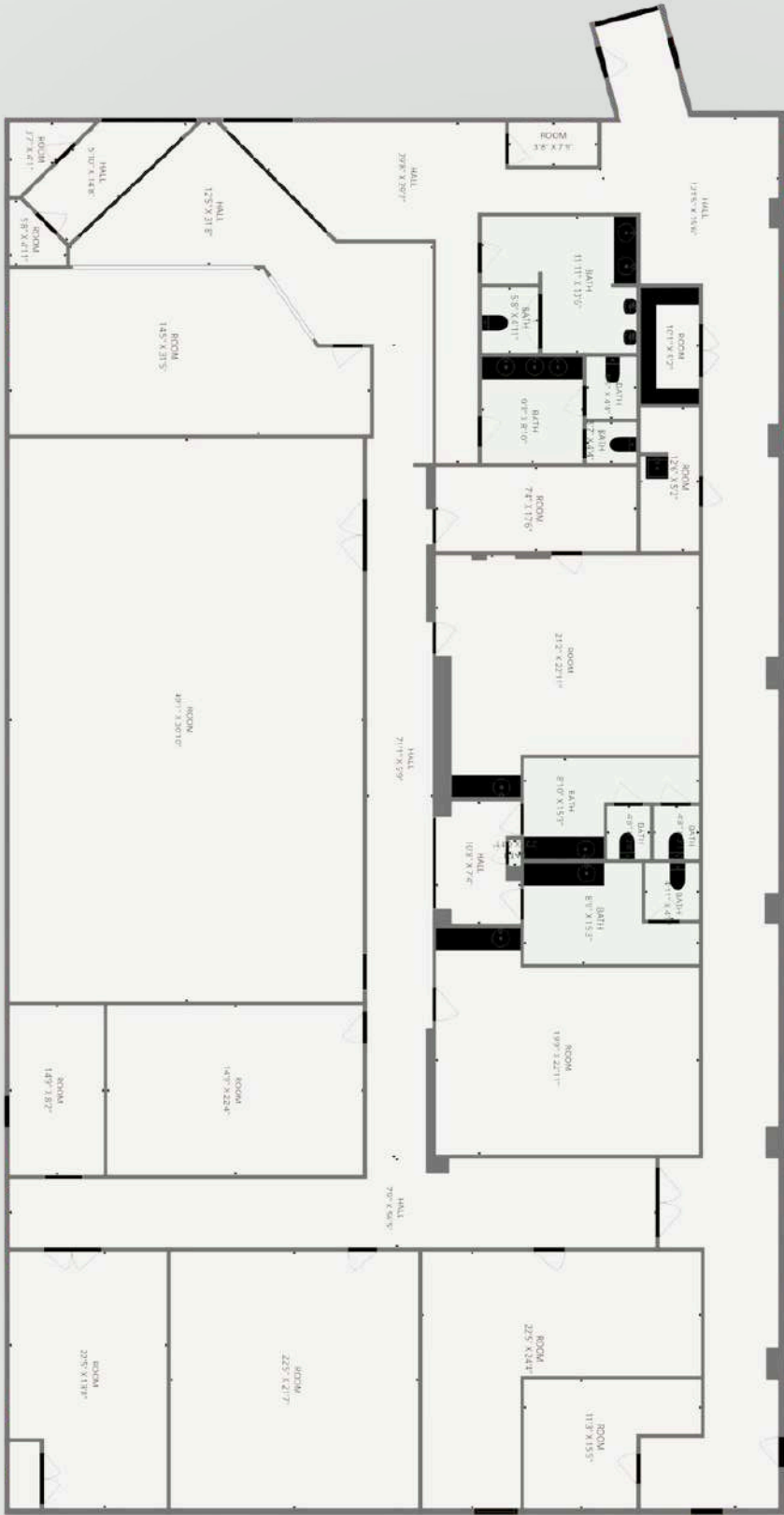
THE THEATER

POST OFFICE



IDEAL & MAINTAINED SPACES

- Maker Space
- Artist Residency Program
- Studio Spaces
- Post-Production Studio
- Sound Recording Studio
- Arts & Filmmaking Education
- Media Arts Workforce Development



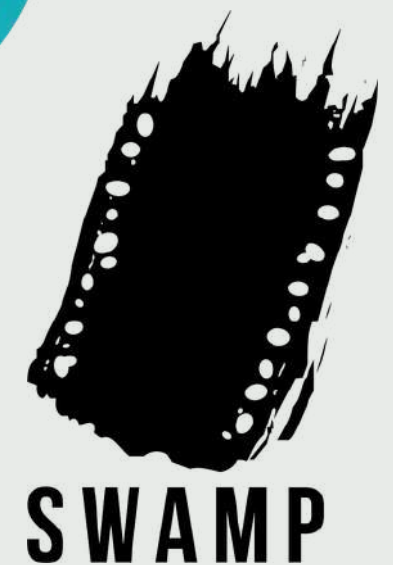


SPACES FULL OF POTENTIAL

PARTNERS & SUPPORTERS

Together we can save and re-open the Garden Oaks Theater as a cultural arts & film center

- ✓ Donors, Large & Small, & Activists
- ✓ Houston City Council & Mayor
- ✓ Preservation Houston
- ✓ Neighbors & Businesses
- ✓ Thousands of Houstonians Who Protested & Signed Petitions
- ✓ Houston Arts Community/Orgs
- ✓ The Press & Social Media



\$14MM CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

STAGE I: \$7.1MM

PURCHASE PROPERTY

STAGE II: \$6.9MM

RESTORATION, RENOVATION, & CARRYING COSTS

NAMING RIGHTS FOR TOP TIER DONORS

GUARANTOR + \$5MM++ ARTS & FILM CENTER

- \$5MM++ ARTS & FILM CENTER OR MAIN AUDITORIUM
- \$2.5MM++ MICRO CINEMA
- \$1MM++ CLASSROOMS OR RECORDING STUDIOS

\$500K++
A STAR ON FRONT “WALK OF FAME” SIDEWALK

\$250K++
A STAR ON PARKING LOT SIDE, “WALK OF FAME” SIDEWALK

\$100K++
A NAME ON LOBBY SAVIOR DONOR WALL





HISTORIC LANDMARK DESIGNATION & PROTECTION ALLOWS SIGNIFICANT BENEFITS

- 40% **OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENT** REDUCTION
- REDUCED PERMITTING FEES
- FEDERAL REHABILITATION **TAX CREDITS**
(20% OF ELIGIBLE EXPENSES)
- STATE REHABILITATION **TAX CREDITS**
(25% OF ELIGIBLE EXPENSES)
- EXEMPTION FROM CERTAIN ENERGY EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS

BENEFITS OF NON-PROFIT OWNERSHIP

- STATE AND LOCAL PROPERTY TAX
EXEMPTIONS
- DONATIONS TOWARDS PRESERVATION
ARE **TAX DEDUCTIBLE**

TIMELINE

FEBRUARY 27, 2026

ARTHOUSE HOUSTON CONTRACTS WITH DEVELOPER TO DELAY DEMOLITION AND PURCHASE THE THEATER

PAID \$130K

INITIAL NON-REFUNDABLE EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT

MARCH 22, 2026

PAID \$25K

FIRST NON-REFUNDABLE EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT

APRIL 21, 2026

PAID \$25K

2ND NON-REFUNDABLE EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT

MAY 25, 2026

PAID \$25K

3RD NON-REFUNDABLE EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT

JUNE 25, 2026

PAID \$25K

4TH NON-REFUNDABLE EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT

JULY 25, 2026

PAID \$25K

5TH NON-REFUNDABLE EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT

AUGUST 31, 2026 - MANDATORY CLOSING DATE;
MISSED CLOSING WILL RESULT IN DEMOLITION

HC | **BREAKING NEWS**

Nonprofit strikes \$7.1M deal to preserve Garden Oaks Theater — but has only 90 days to raise the money

SEPT TO DEC 2026

PLANS FOR RESTORATION, HISTORIC DESIGNATIONS, DEVELOPMENT OF PROGRAMMING WITH NON-PROFIT PARTNERS, AND LEASES

JAN 2027 TO MARCH 2028

RESTORATION OF THE THEATER

APRIL 2028

FULL REOPENING OF THE GARDEN OAKS THEATER AS A CULTURAL ARTS & FILM CENTER!





MAUREEN MCNAMARA

CO-FOUNDER & DIRECTOR

ARTHOUSE HOUSTON,
26 YEARS IN ART/FILM
EXHIBITION



JOHNNY SO

TREASURER

FOUNDING PARTNER,
WHITE OAK MUSIC HALL,
LICENSED ATTORNEY



IAN DRUKE

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

FILM & ARTS EXHIBITION
EXPERIENCE, MATCH, HCAF,
AURORA PICTURE SHOW



TAYLOR SMITH

VICE PRESIDENT

ADVERTISING PROFESSIONAL,
DIRECTOR,
HOUSTON CHRONICLE



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IN THIS WORLD YOU
GENUINELY AND
DEFINITELY **CANNOT**
CONSTRUCT IS AN
OLD BUILDING.

- Wes Anderson

