## The History of the Delmar Loop Through Architecture

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The Delmar Loop was named "One of the 10 Great Streets in America" by the American Planning Association. The history of the development of the Delmar Loop neighborhood can be viewed through the district's unusual blend of high style and vernacular architecture from the Lion Gates in University City down Delmar to DeBaliviere and the Missouri History Museum in St. Louis City's Forest Park. The Archaeological Research Center of St. Louis (ARC) was commissioned to prepare a study of the Loop's architectural heritage as part of the Environmental Assessment for the proposed Loop Trolley Project.

This talk, sponsored by the Regional Arts Commission, will present the Archaeological Research Center's look at the buildings within the Delmar Loop and show how its various architectural styles are silent markers of the history of the neighborhood and also how architecture has helped shape this area into its own, unique community.

A few copies of the PDF version of the ARC *Archival Search and Architectural Survey of the St. Louis Loop Trolley* report will be available on CD for \$18 after the presentation. Otherwise, CDs may be ordered by sending a check for \$20 to the Archaeological Research Center, 2812 Woodson Rd, St. Louis, MO 63114. Please remember to specifically state that you are requesting the "Loop Trolley Report."

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