

Historic Property Roys House
Inventory Report for 423 South Olympic Way Olympia, Thurston, 98502

LOCATION SECTION

Historic Name: Roys House Field Site No.: 748
Common Name: (#34-766) OAHP No.: 55
Property Address: 423 South Olympic Way Olympia, Thurston, 98502
Comments: OLYMPIA

County Township/Range/EW Section 1/4 Sec 1/4 1/4 Sec Quadrangle
 T18R02W 15 SE TUMWATER

UTM Reference
Zone: 10 Spatial Type: Point Acquisition Code: TopoZone.com
Sequence: 0 Easting: 506770 Northing: 5209780

Tax No./Parcel No. Plat/Block/Lot
68600500600 Percival L5 & 6 Blk 5

Supplemental Map(s) Acreage
City of Olympia Planning Department < one

IDENTIFICATION SECTION

Field Recorder: Shanna Stevenson Date Recorded: 10/23/1985 Survey Name: OLYMPIA

Owner's Name: Forrest Wilcox Owner Address: 423 S. Olympic Way City/State/Zip: Olympia, WA 98502
Classification: Building Resource Status Survey/Inventory Comments
Within a District? No Local Register OHR-05-04
Contributing?

National Register Nomination:
Local District:
National Register District/Thematic Nomination Name:

DESCRIPTION SECTION

Historic Use: Domestic - Single Family House
Current Use: Domestic - Single Family House
Plan: L-Shape No. of Stories: 2
Structural System: Balloon Frame
Changes to plan: Intact Changes to interior: Intact
Changes to original cladding: Intact Changes to other:
Changes to windows: Intact Other (specify):
Cladding Shingle - Concrete/Asbestos Foundation Concrete - Poured
Vertical - Boards
Style Art Deco - Streamlined Moderne Form/Type
Ranch - Minimal Traditional
Roof Material Asphalt / Composition Roof Type Gable
Hip

NARRATIVE SECTION

Study Unit

Other

Date Of Construction: 1939

Architecture/Landscape Architecture

Architect: Joseph Wohleb

Builder:

Engineer:

Property appears to meet criteria for the National Register of Historic Places:

No

Property is located in a historic district (National and/or local):

No

Property potentially contributes to a historic district (National and/or local):

Statement of Significance

Designed in 1938 by Joseph Wohleb for Hartman and Edna Roys, the home has not been altered and has only its second owners. Hartman Roys was supervisor of the Port of Olympia Dock and built the house to be able to see the dock and the Capitol dome. The home enjoys a good view of both.

Description of Physical Appearance

This L-shaped wood frame structure is an Art Moderne era interpretation of the Colonial Revival style. It has a one-and-one-half-story rear wing on a north/south axis and an intersecting two-story front wing extending to the east. The rear gable roof and front hip roof are covered with composition shingles; at the rear is a wide shed-roofed dormer and the front wing has gabled wall dormers on the front (east) and north facades. In the corner of the "L" on the front facade, the roof extends down over a small porch sheltering the entry door. Three large plate glass windows wrap around the corners of the facade and offer views of Budd Inlet. Other fenestration is double-hung sash with multi-paned upper lights. The interior retains the original light mahogany wood work and Moderne style light fixtures.

Major Bibliographic References

Interview with present owners.
Maddox, Dawn, "Joseph Wohleb: resident architect of the state Capital," Landmarks, Vol. IV. No. 4.

PHOTOS



View of NE corner

taken 10/23/1985

Photography Neg. No. (Roll No./Frame No.):

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Comments: