



## July 2026 Newsletter



**Peachtree Heights East Movers, Shakers,  
and Heartbreakers Tour**

**Saturday, July 18, 2026, 10 a.m.**

**Buckhead Heritage presents this tour in  
partnership with  
Atlanta Preservation Center**

Executive Director Richard Waterhouse offers a fascinating tour of this hidden neighborhood near Peachtree Road and Lindbergh Avenue. With approximately 330 homes, Peachtree East includes early 20th century American two-story four-square, Craftsmen Bungalow, Cape Cod, Tudor Revival, and Ranch to 21st century home styles. We will see examples of several of these on the tour. The mile-and-a-half route is hilly and will last about hour-and-a-half. We will meet at the Duckpond's historical marker and stay on the road during the tour.

To register, please contact Richard Waterhouse at [rwaterhouse@buckheadheritage.com](mailto:rwaterhouse@buckheadheritage.com) or (404) 467-9447. Other tours this year include September 12 and November 7.

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## **New Board Member Anna Mayeske**

We are delighted to announce our new board member:  
Anna Binion Mayeske

Anna and her family have lived in Peachtree Battle since 2014. Anna grew up in Mobile, AL and went to UGA where she received a BFA from the Lamar Dodd School of Art.

She and her husband Jon met and lived in New York City, where Anna was a personal assistant to the late architect, Thierry Despont, for 8 years. Since moving to Atlanta, Anna volunteered at E. Rivers, where her children went to elementary school. She chaired the Centennial Year Gala & Auction and worked with the E. Rivers Foundation.

Anna became an active board member of the Peachtree Battle Alliance neighborhood association, serving as membership chair and then board president. Currently Anna and Jon's children, Amelia (16) and Johnny (12), attend Woodward Academy. Anna is involved with Woodward Academy, the Haynes Manor Garden Club, and tennis at Ansley Golf Club.

Anna and her family attend Northside United Methodist Church. Currently Anna accepts commissions of dog portraits in pastel and charcoal. Her inspiration began when her family adopted two highly rambunctious rescue dogs, Phoebe and Jack.



**Speaker Series - *The Sanctity of Storytelling:  
Using Stories to Uncover and Preserve  
Atlanta's Hidden History***

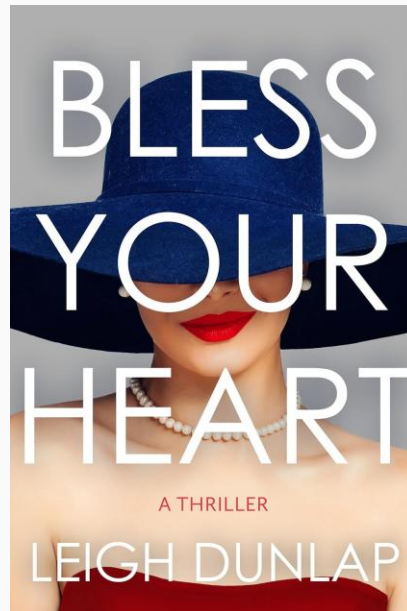
**Thursday, July 23, 7 p.m., Free  
Cathedral of Saint Philip Gould Room**

Historic preservation has traditionally focused on saving certain types of places. In 2019 the Historic Preservation Studio of the city of Atlanta undertook the Future Places Project, an initiative to update and reimagine how the city approached historic preservation. One of the largest takeaways from that work was that the public didn't think that historic preservation was doing enough to capture all of Atlanta's stories, and as a result history was being lost.

This presentation will explore how the Studio had shifted its approach to capturing these stories, and how that change has helped focus on and protect valuable resources that tell stories particularly of Atlanta's African American history. Anthony Knight, African American Heritage Coordinator, and Elizabeth Clappin, Planner, will discuss recent designations of Landmark Buildings and Sites and discuss how their preservation expands our understanding of Atlanta's rich and varied history.

**[Register](#)**

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**Speaker Series - Leigh Dunlop Discussing  
her book *Bless Your Heart***

**Thursday, August 27, 7 p.m., Free  
Cathedral of Saint Philip Room 316**

Motherhood and murder link five very different women when a working-class detective clashes with wealthy moms in this upmarket thriller in the vein of May Cobb and Jeneva Rose.

Anderson Tupper, a member of one of Atlanta's richest families, has been murdered in the dugout of the Little League field where he was a volunteer coach, and it's up to Detective Shay Claypool, a single mother from the other side of town, to find his killer.

With the exclusive area of Buckhead threatening to secede from the city of Atlanta and take its tax revenue with it, Shay is under pressure to solve the murder of one of Buckhead's own. Accustomed to handling drug dealers and prostitutes, she must now contend with an even more sinister group: the Buckhead Betties, the insufferably

entitled women of Georgia's most affluent zip code. One of them might be a murderer, but who? Is it the old-money queen of Buckhead? The mysterious new girl in town? The drug-dealing trophy wife?

Please note that the speaker series for August is in a smaller location because both Child Hall and the Gould Room are not available. It would help us if you could register so we can figure out if we need to do a waiting list.

## [Register](#)

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## **SAVE THE DATE**

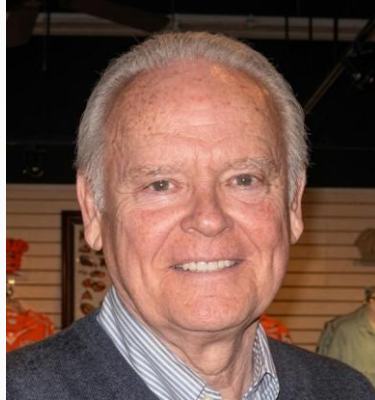
### **4th Annual Buckhead Heritage Trivia Game Party**

Brush up on your Buckhead history  
...and be ready to compete!

Our host:  
James Ottley  
(co-host of the popular podcast *History for Cocktail Parties*)

Sunday, September 20, 2026  
4:00 – 7:00 p.m.  
Atlanta International School Auditorium  
2890 N. Fulton Drive, NW 30305

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We were saddened to hear about the death of one of our founding members, Dave Ferguson, and a longtime supporter of our programs and fundraising events. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends.

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## **Executive Director's Report**

We are very excited about our new office location. As many you know, we live in Eretus Rivers' hunting lodge. It will be a treat to go from his hunting lodge to his office every day.

Even though summer is upon us, we have some extraordinary programs coming up. I know that many of you travel during the summer, but if you are in the city briefly, we hope you will join us. The fall programs look just as strong.

We are now working on the program schedule for 2027. if you have any suggestions of programs, please let me know.

Thank you for your continued support of Buckhead Heritage. If you are not a current member, I hope you will consider joining us.

Take care,

Richard Waterhouse

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### **To Join or Renew Buckhead Heritage Membership**

Go [Here](#) or contact Richard Waterhouse at (404) 467-9447, or email [rwaterhouse@buckheadheritage.com](mailto:rwaterhouse@buckheadheritage.com).

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### **To Make A Donation to Buckhead Heritage**

Buckhead Heritage is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit membership organization founded by residents who recognized the need for an advocacy

organization dedicated to protecting Buckhead's significant historic resources.

To make a tax-deductible contribution, [click here](#).

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## **Buckhead Heritage Mission Statement**

Buckhead Heritage strives to enhance the quality of life in Buckhead by identifying, preserving, and promoting its historic resources.

We endeavor to foster a conscious respect within the community for its rich and diverse history, ensuring that Buckhead's historic resources are accommodated in future growth and secured for the benefit of the community.

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## **2026 Board & Staff**

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