

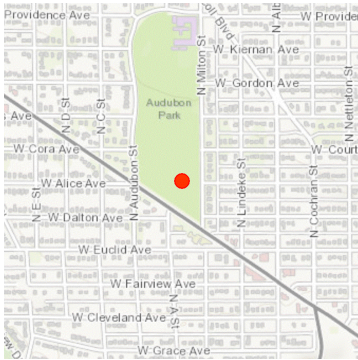


Historic Property Report

Historic Name: Audubon Park Restroom

Property ID: 706338

Location



Address: Audubon Park, 3320 N Audubon St, Spokane, Washington

GeographicAreas: Spokane, Spokane County, T25R42E01, SPOKANE NW Quadrangle

Information

Construction Dates:

Construction Type	Year	Circa
Built Date	1920	<input type="checkbox"/>

Number of stories: N/A

Historic Use:

Category	Subcategory
Recreation and Culture	Recreation and Culture - Comfort Station

Historic Context: Architecture

Architect/Engineer:

Category	Name or Company
Builder	Spokane Parks Department

Photos



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Inventory Details - 7/12/2016

Common name: Audubon Park Restroom
Date recorded: 7/12/2016
Field Recorder: Stephen Emerson
Field Site number: SRS-2
SHPO Determination

Detail Information

Characteristics:

Category	Item
Foundation	Stone
Form Type	Landscape - Park
Roof Type	Gambrel - Side
Roof Material	Metal - Standing Seam
Cladding	Stone - Cobble Stone
Structural System	Masonry - Stone
Plan	Rectangle

Surveyor Opinion

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

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

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

Significance narrative: The Audubon Park restroom is similar in design to other facilities in older Spokane parks, although most of the others are built of basalt rubble. This restroom is probably associated with the older ones constructed in 1920, such as at Corbin and Hayes parks. Others were built in 1948, as at Glass and Byrne parks. As with other cobblestone buildings, this structure has places where loose cobbles were replaced or repaired, often with less carefully selected and uniform stones, and sloppier mortar work. Like other Spokane park restrooms, the windows of this one have been partially filled in and partially replaced with ornamental cinder blocks, as described above. Otherwise, the building retains excellent integrity of its historic appearance and original construction materials. It is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, under Criterion C, as an example of cobblestone stone masonry, and under Criterion A, for its association with Audubon Park, one of the city's earliest parks.



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Physical description: This cobblestone building has a gabled roof covered with a standing seam metal roof that features exposed rafter ends, knee braces and fascia boards in the gable eaves. The exterior walls are clad with uniform round or oval stones, mostly granite. The stones were carefully placed so that very little mortar is visible. There are three entries, one at each end for boys and girls facilities, and one on the north elevation that accesses a central utility and maintenance room. The central door has an extension of the roof as a canopy, supported by knee braces. Each entry is flanked by cobblestone half-walls. There are five windows, one each near the boys and girls entries, and three on the south elevation. They are horizontally aligned with stone segmental arches. They were once larger, and rectangular, but at a later date they were partially filled in with cobblestones. The lines between the original openings and the filled in portions are visible. The remaining opening at the top is filled with ornamental cinder blocks with spaces for allowing light. These replace what were probably originally vertical iron bars (if childhood memory serves me).

Bibliography: Emerson, Stephen. A Historic Property Inventory of Rock Structures in Spokane County, Washington. Archisto Enterprises, 2016.