

Lenthall Houses
612-614 19th St., NW (moved to 606-610 21st St., NW)
Washington
District of Columbia

HABS No. DC-438

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WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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Washington, D.C. 20240

ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE District of Columbia		COUNTY	TOWN OR VICINITY Washington
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Lenthall Houses			HABS NO. DC-438
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE			
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 612-614 19th Street, NW (moved to 606-610 21st Street, NW)			
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) ca. 1800		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) not known	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Name derives from first owner, John Lenthall, Benjamin Latrobe's principal assistant in the construction of the U. S. Capitol. Good example of Federal Style, and one of the few such examples surviving in the immediate area. During early 20th century, #614 was the home of Washington artist, Bertha Noyes, and it was here that the Arts Club of Washington was founded in 1916. Washington artist, Bertha Noyes, and it was here that the Arts Club of Washington was STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Federal			
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick; wooden trim			
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLDDR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Rectangular; as moved, 40' x 34'; prior to move, #612 was 20' x 54' & #614 was 20' x 71'; 2 1/2-story; gable roof			
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Double entranceway with bracketed and dentiled shared cornice; dentiled window heads; dentiled cornice; gabled dormers			
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLDDR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Adamesque plaster decoration; double doors; double parlors; built-in cupboards			
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Moved in 1978.			
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Condition in 1978 was good to fair, complicated by problems of moving the structure.			
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE			
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Listed on National Register of Historic Places (Information above taken from nomination form) Category II District of Columbia Landmark.			
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