

Oak Park: The Village Wright Built

With his renowned home and studio in the heart of its historic district, Oak Park has long been a good hunting and foraging ground for Frank Lloyd Wright's architecture. However, many people don't know that Oak Park is home to the largest collection of Wright-designed structures in the world. It's no wonder, as he spent the first 40 years of his life in Oak Park, where he designed and built his first home, the first of many houses, and the first of many buildings. Oak Park is a village of Wright's architecture, and it's a village that's still growing.

Unity Temple

A National Historic Landmark and one of the most treasured structures of the 20th century, Wright called the Unity Temple in Oak Park his contribution to modern architecture. It is currently undergoing a comprehensive \$20 million restoration, with the public's involvement being a key part of the process.

Frank Lloyd Wright House in Studio

Frank Lloyd Wright's most famous design, the architect used his first home—located in the heart of Oak Park's historic district—to experiment with design concepts. The house was a masterpiece of Wright's architecture, and it's a masterpiece that's still growing.

Frank Lloyd Wright's home and studio

At 5,000 square feet and housing a collection of the Unity Temple, the house is a masterpiece of Wright's architecture. It's a masterpiece that's still growing.

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June 8 marks the 150th birthday of Frank Lloyd Wright. And whether you simply fondly recall discovering his work on a childhood field trip or you plan vacations around venturing to his masterpieces, we all have a soft spot for America's most beloved architect. Here are a few unique ways to celebrate, from his home state in Wisconsin to Northern Virginia.

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