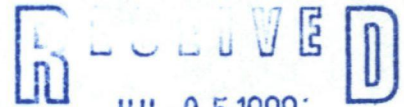


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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service



**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM**

**NATIONAL
REGISTER**

1. Name of Property

historic name: Peter and Clotilde Shipe Mansbendel House

other name/site number:

2. Location

street & number: 3824 Avenue F

city/town: Austin

state: TX County: Travis

code: 453

zip code: 78751

3. Classification

Ownership of Property: private

Category of Property: building

Number of Resources within Property:

Contributing	Noncontributing	
2	0	buildings
_____	_____	sites
_____	_____	structures
_____	_____	objects
2	0	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: 0

Name of related multiple property listing:

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4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. See continuation sheet.

Curtis J. Jernell
Signature of certifying official

27 June 1990
Date

Texas Historical Commission
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

- X entered in the National Register Autawietth Alisa 8/16/90
 See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the
 National Register
 See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the
 National Register
- removed from the National Register
- other (explain):

for _____
Signature of Keeper

Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic: Domestic Sub: single dwelling

Current: Domestic Sub: single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification:

Tudor Revival

Materials:	foundation	stucco
	walls	stucco
		wood
	roof	asphalt shingles
	other	

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

See continuation sheet.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: locally

Applicable National Register Criteria: B C

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) : N/A

Areas of Significance: Architecture
Art

Period(s) of Significance: c.1925-1940

Significant Dates: c.1925

Significant Person(s): N/A

Cultural Affiliation: N/A

Architect/Builder: Mansbendel, Peter (builder)

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

See continuation sheet.

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This Tudor Revival-styled 2-story dwelling stands at the southwest corner of Avenue F and East 39th Street in a mostly residential area just south of the Hyde Park Baptist Church complex. Built about 1925, the superbly crafted house remains virtually unchanged since its completion. It is still used as a private residence and remains in good condition.

In many ways a text book example of the Tudor Revival style, the Mansbendel House features an asymmetrical plan capped by an elaborate roofscape of steeply pitched gable roof forms. Of frame construction, the house is clad in stucco relieved by decorative half-timbering on the upper floors and in the gable ends. Other features typically associated with the Tudor Revival style include grouped a round-arched front entrance, chimneys with patterned brickwork, and casement windows with diamond-patterned lights. The primary (east) facade presents an asymmetrical composition surmounted by a large side gable coupled with secondary gables that demarcate the living room and the primary entrance. Faux half-timbering distinguish the gable ends, as do bargeboards carved by Mansbendel. decoration similar to that used throughout the exterior of the building.

The dwelling's interior also contains significant examples of Mansbendel's craftsmanship. Reminiscent of a great hall, the living room features an elaborate staircase with balusters and a figural newel post carved by Mansbendel. Other decorative features are found on the fireplace, ceiling beams, and bas-relief plasterwork.

A detached garage/apartment stands behind the dwelling at the northwest corner of the property. Classified as an element contributing to the historic character of the property, it features detailing similar to that of the main house.

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Constructed about 1925 in the newly subdivided Shadow Lawn Addition, the Tudor Revival house at 3824 Avenue F served as the residence of Clotilde Mansbendel, daughter of Hyde Park developer Monroe M. Shipe, and her husband, renown artisan Peter Mansbendel. His decorative and functional wood carvings are found in private residences, public institutions and historic sites throughout Texas, and he lavished the interior and exterior of the house with samples of his craft. A classic example of the Tudor Revival style of the early 20th century, the house remains strongly associated with Mansbendel and his work. As such, it is nominated under Criteria B and C.

According to his biographer, Peter Mansbendel was born on August 12, 1883 in Basle, Switzerland (Lowman 1977: n.p.). Apprenticed to a local master woodcarver named Ulrich Herber, Mansbendel studied in his late teens at the Industrial Arts School before a term of compulsory service in the Swiss artillery. Upon his discharge from the army, Mansbendel travelled to London to study the work of English woodcarver Grinling Gibbons. He completed his formal education at the Coquier-Roland School of Art in Paris.

In 1907 Mansbendel immigrated to Boston and then New York, where he was in charge of the woodcarving department of L. Marcotte & Co., an interior decorating firm. During this period he met Clotilde Shipe, whom he married in 1911. The couple lived briefly in the Shipe House in Austin before returning to New York. In 1915 they decided to settle permanently in Austin.

By the end of World War I, Mansbendel was working out of an office at 109 West 9th Street to fulfill commissions from architects for decorative detailing in fashionable residences in Austin, Dallas, and Houston. Notable work also included doors for restoration of the Spanish Governor's Palace and Mission San Jose in San Antonio commissioned by architect Harvey P. Smith in the late 1920s and early 1930s. The University of Texas commissioned portrait plaques of University presidents to be hung in the student union, completed in the 1930s.

The house at 3924 Avenue F, however, was Mansbendel's "greatest labor of love" (Lowman 1977: n.p.). Filled with carvings that express the artist's humor, and creativity, the house includes a bathroom featuring sculpted plaster panels depicting aquatic life tinted in natural colors. Mansbendel reported that the panels were "a real economic success. A bucket of sand in the tub makes you

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feel quite bathing beachy [and] you don't spend any money for a bathing suit or for train fare getting there" (Lowman 1977: n.p.).

Following Peter Mansbendel's death on July 24, 1940 his widow continued to reside in the house until her own death on June 27, 1963 (Probate File No. 24,900) Her heirs who still own the property. The City of Austin granted historical zoning to the Mansbendel House in 1979 (City of Austin. Historic Landmark Inventory File C14h-78-048).

9. Major Bibliographical References

X See bibliography for associated historic context.

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- _ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- _ previously listed in the National Register
- _ previously determined eligible by the National Register
- _ designated a National Historic Landmark
- _ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey# _____
- _ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record# _____

Primary Location of Additional Data:

- x State historic preservation office
- _ Other state agency
- _ Federal agency
- _ Local government
- _ University
- _ Other -- Specify Repository:

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property: less than one acre

UTM References: Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing

A	14	621940	3352660	B	_____	_____	_____
C	_____	_____	_____	D	_____	_____	_____

Verbal Boundary Description:

Lot 10 and the north 21.4 ft of Lot 9, Shadow Lawn Addition

Boundary Justification:

Boundaries are those historically associated with the property.

11. Form Prepared By

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SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 90001183

Date Listed: 8/16/90

Peter & Clotilde Mansbendel House
Property Name

Travis
County

TX
State

Hyde Park MPS
Multiple Name

This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

Annabeth A. Lee

Signature of the Keeper

8/16/20

Date of Action

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Amended Items in Nomination:

Statement of Significance: Under Applicable National Register Criteria, Criterion B should be eliminated.

This information was confirmed with Tory Laughlin of the Texas SHPO.

DISTRIBUTION:

- National Register property file
- Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Mansbendel, Peter and Clotilde Shipe, House

MULTIPLE NAME: Hyde Park MPS

STATE & COUNTY: TEXAS, Travis

DATE RECEIVED: 7/05/90 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 7/17/90
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 8/02/90 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 8/19/90
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 90001183

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: Y SLR DRAFT: Y NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 8/16/90 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

See Peter and Clotilde Shipe Mansbendel House is significant for its association with artisan Mansbendel, who landscaped this house, residences of the wealthy, and major public buildings with his crafts work. Mansbendel provided superbly-crafted details for the exterior and interior of this "classic" Tudor - Revival style residence.

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept/c
REVIEWER Antonette Shipe
DISCIPLINE History
DATE 8/16/90

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR (Y)N

CLASSIFICATION

count resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

historic current

DESCRIPTION

architectural classification materials descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- summary paragraph completeness clarity applicable criteria justification of areas checked relating significance to the resource context relationship of integrity to significance justification of exception other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

acreage verbal boundary description UTMs boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps USGS maps photographs presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

Phone

Signed Date



PETER & CLOTILDE (SHIPE) MANSBENDEL HOUSE

3824 AVENUE F

AUSTIN, TRAVIS CO., TEXAS

DANIEL HARDY

MARCH 4, 1987

NEGATIVE WITH TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

CAMERA FACING NORTHWEST

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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

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