



# WILLIAM BUSTER RESIDENCE

10950 - 81 AVENUE NW

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## DESCRIPTION OF HISTORICAL PLACE

The William Buster Residence is a two and one-half storey, Craftsman influenced building in the Garneau neighbourhood. It has a front-facing open gable roof, clapboard siding transitioning to shingles on the upper storeys and a half-width open verandah.

## HERITAGE VALUE

The William Buster Residence is significant for its association with early residential development in Garneau and its Craftsman influenced design.

The Garneau neighbourhood experienced an enhanced period of economic and residential growth in 1911 and 1912 as a result of the ongoing development of the University of Alberta and the opening of the High Level Bridge. The 1912 William Buster Residence is a good example of the housing built in Garneau during this period.

The William Buster Residence is also significant for its Craftsman influenced design. At the time it was constructed, the Craftsman style had gained popularity across North America and it was a favoured style amongst middle class Edmontonians who wanted a modest but durable and well designed house.





## CHARACTER DEFINING ELEMENTS

The Craftsman influenced design of the William Buster Residence is expressed in character defining elements such as:

- + form, scale and massing;
- + front-facing open gable roof with wide flared eaves;
- + covered verandah with low-pitched hipped roof and two tapered square columns with capitals supported on brick piers;
- + wood clapboard cladding transitioning to shingles on the upper storeys with fish scale shingle detailing in the gable end;
- + decorative and detail elements such as corner, frieze and fascia boards and window trim and crown mouldings;
- + the location and proportions of all window and door openings including the large bay window on the south elevation;
- + double-hung wooden sash windows with diamond patterned mullions; and
- + interior elements include wood staircase, wood flooring and wood baseboards and trims.



*Designated as a Municipal Historic Resource through Bylaw 17853 in February 2017.*

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