



A Model Community

Venice enjoys a rich cultural heritage that shapes our sense of place. Thanks to the genius of early 20th century city planner John Nolen, his original vision for an ideal, sustainable environment in which families could live, work, and play continues to serve as the model for “post-modern” urban development, not only in Venice but throughout the world.



Become a Member Today

Join us and share our community’s story with others who advocate for preserving our rich cultural heritage. Lend your voice to those who believe John Nolen’s Plan should be promoted as a template for urban planning and that the more than a hundred historic buildings in Venice are worth preserving.

VHI is operated totally by volunteers who appreciate Venice’s unique heritage and the role it plays in defining who we are as a community.

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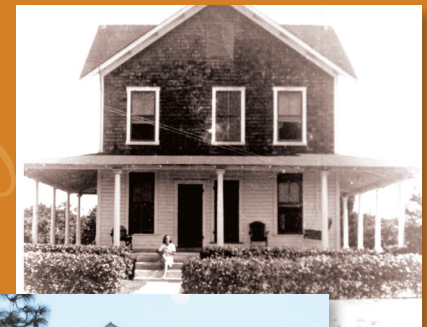
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Dedicated to preserving
& promoting local history





Venice Heritage Inc. (VHI)

is a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to preserving and promoting the Venice area's rich cultural heritage, including the surrounding communities of Osprey, Laurel, and Nokomis. As an advocate for historic preservation, VHI educates the public about the area's history and provides financial and logistical support to the city-owned Venice Museum & Archives.



Preserving Yesterday for Tomorrow...

A primary focus for VHI is to maintain and support the City of Venice's Museum & Archives (VMA). The museum contains a collection of more than 21,000 photos, objects, published materials, and archives.

Onsite, the museum offers changing and permanent exhibits, tours of the Triangle Inn building, public access to the collection database, and assists the public with information requests. Offsite, they provide educational outreach programs that take history into the community to local schools, centers and organizations.

The museum is located in the historic Triangle Inn which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Built in 1927 as an inn, the building was saved from demolition in 1991 and is a beautiful example of Venice's 1920s Northern Italian style architecture.



Saved from Demolition

by the City of Venice's Historic Preservation Board, restoration of the Lord-Higel House is being completed by preservationists and VHI volunteers, and will eventually provide a glimpse of life for early settlers to the area.

Built in 1896, the Lord-Higel House is the second oldest residence in Sarasota County and once served as a residence to entrepreneur Joseph Lord and grove manager/newsman George Higel. Having occupied several locations during its lifetime, the historic home is now located behind City Hall on Granada Avenue.

