

Capsule Summary

Waddy Cottage
1308 Douglass Avenue
Highland Beach, Maryland

c. 1920

Private Residence

The Waddy Cottage is located in the historically black town of Highland Beach, Maryland. The house is a one and one half story dwelling with an aluminum awning that extends the full length of the enclosed porch. It has a T shaped floor plan and the long ends of the T are covered with a flat roof.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Waddy Cottage

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

1308 Douglass Avenue

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CITY, TOWN

Highland Beach

— VICINITY OF Annapolis

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

Anne Arundel

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mr. Earnest (Ossie) Waddy

Telephone #: 398-8664

STREET & NUMBER

5237 Ames St. N DC

CITY, TOWN

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE.
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

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STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

—FEDERAL —STATE —COUNTY —LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE		CHECK ONE	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED	DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED			
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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Waddy Cottage is a one and one half storey frame dwelling with a gable roof. The plan of the house is a T shape with an enclosed porch on the wouthern view. The house is unique in that it exhibits a scalloped edgcec, blue and white awning over the porch - an element which is not consistently utilized in this community.

Highland Beach is located about ten miles south of Annapolis on the Chesapeake Bay. The Waddy Cottage is located on a block that is bounded by Bay Avenue on the north, Bruce Avenue on the east, Douglass Avenue to the south, and Walnut Drive on the west. The site is situated between two creeks - Black Walnut Creek and Oyster Creek - which flow into the Chesapeake Bay. The topography of the lot slopes towards the Chesapeake Bay and supports dense vegetation. The community is nestled within a woodlike setting in spite of its proxim ity to the sandy beach.

The Waddy cottage is constructed upon a pier foundation which is camouflaged by wooden lattice work which is similar to other foundation systems in the community. The house is finished with novelty siding which is also partially utilized on the enclosed porch. A flat roof is positioned over the front porch below the gable end of the second storey on the southern view. Windows on the first floor are double hung with multiple lights. The second level exhibits single paned, double hung windows and a set of gable roof dormers. The cross section of the T plan is covered with a flat roof on both ends.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES	C. 1920	BUILDER/ARCHITECT	Unknown
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Highland Beach, Maryland is a historic black town that was founded by the son of Frederick Douglass. The town was conceived by Haley R. Douglass in the late nineteenth century to be a resort community for prominent blacks. Highland Beach is a unique existing reminder of town planning and architectural history as it relates to vernacular and high style design as exhibited by black people. Most of the architecture in Highland Beach is located on the original sites and building expansions were performed within a ten to fifteen year time frame. This provides us with a concise history of design, space planning, and architecture in a homogeneous, extant community.

All of the cottages there were constructed prior to 1930 are important elements related to town planning and design. It is important that these houses retain their originality in terms of plan design, lot orientation, interior decoration, and architectural aesthetics in order to preserve the concept of space and the dynamics of community development in this historic black town.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

(Please see general "Highland Beach Settlement" survey form).

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Barbara Collins Turner

June 1982

ORGANIZATION

Morgan State University

DATE

444-3225

STREET & NUMBER

Center for Built Environment Studies

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

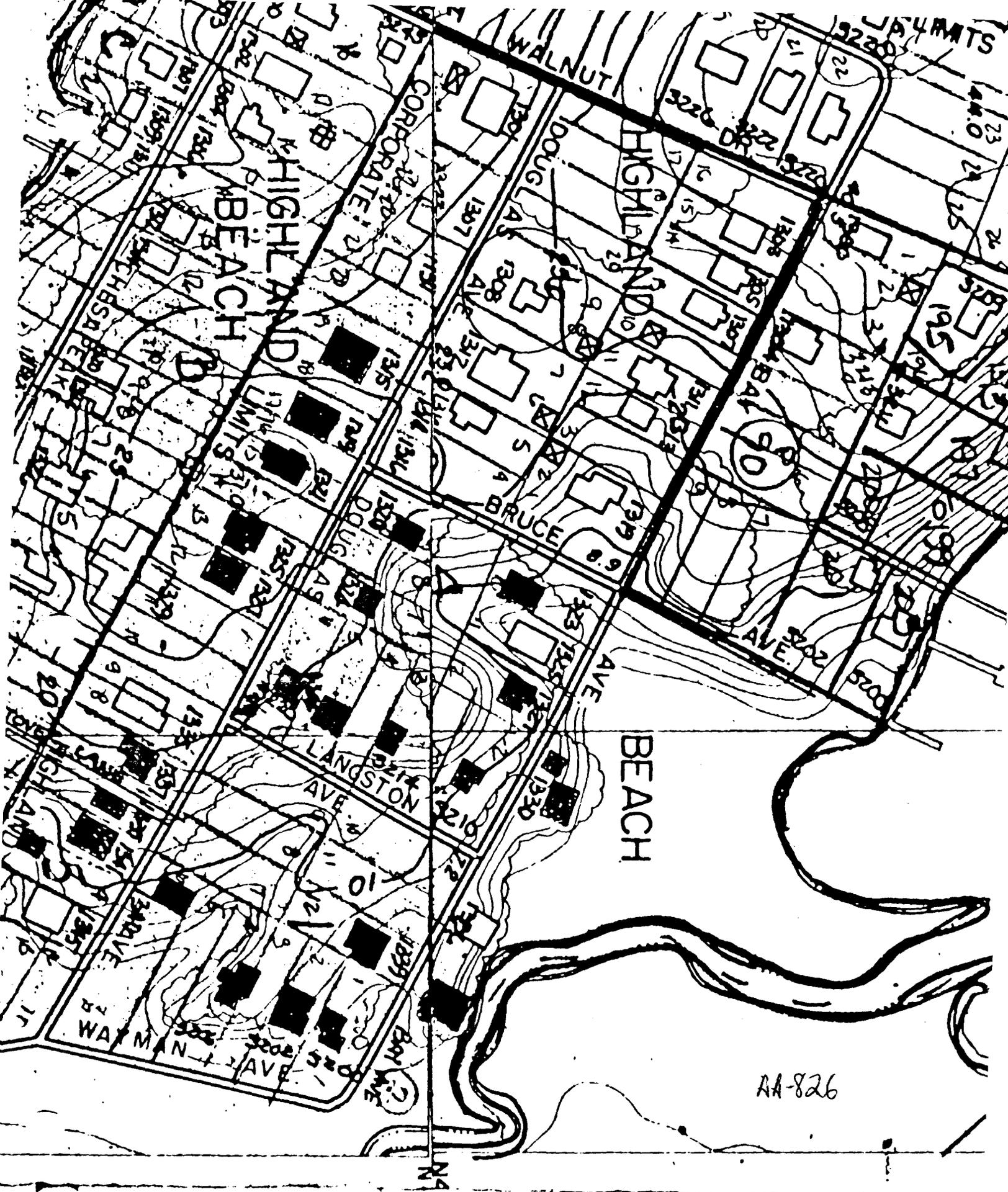
Baltimore, Maryland 21239

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The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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