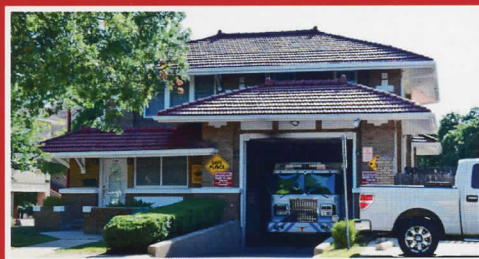


Fort Worth's Bungalow-Style Fire Stations

1908 Carleton Avenue

Arlington Heights Firehall No. 18 opened October 16, 1923 and is the oldest fire station still in operation in Fort Worth. Its style fits in

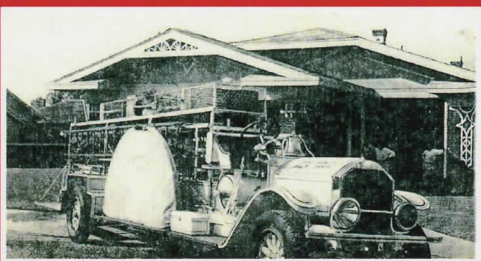
well with the neighborhood in which it occupies a prominent corner site. Charles F. Allen, the architect of several of the other bungalow fire stations, was responsible for the design; general contractor B.B. Adams and brick contractor Joe Cauker constructed the building. The two-story, hip-roofed block features a projecting garage wing to the east and an offset projecting portico to the south. Tan brick and cast-stone trim compose the veneer, topped with a red tile roof. The garage door, originally a false wall of imitation brick and two windows, was replaced with a steel-frame door in 1986. The door opening was widened and floor lowered at the same time to better accommodate modern fire engines. The historic station is protected as a City of Fort Worth Historic and Cultural Landmark.



1905 Belmont Avenue

Located in Fort Worth's Northside area, Fire Station No. 15 was designed by architect Charles F. Allen in the Craftsman bungalow

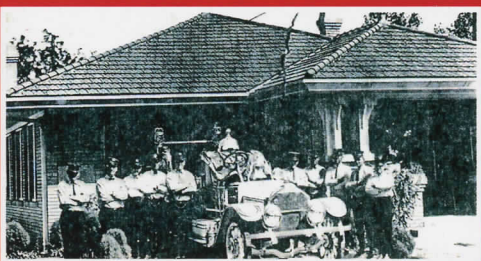
style to blend with the character of the neighborhood. Contractor B.B. Adams constructed the building of ochre brick, stucco, and wood frame. The one-story structure features an offset gabled portico under a half-hipped roof. Early photographs indicate that the original garage door, designed to appear as a false brick wall with windows, has since been replaced. A tower with asbestos siding for drying hoses has been added over the garage, replacing or obscuring two chimneys. The stucco central column on the porch is likely an addition as well. Sold in 1968 by the City of Fort Worth, the structure has since been converted into a private residence. The station is designated as Demolition Delay, Fort Worth's lowest level of protected landmark status.



431 Fulton Street

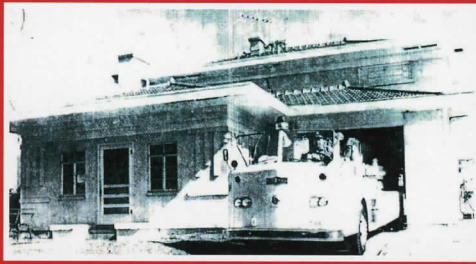
Now a part of Fort Worth's medical district, this bungalow-style fire station originally complemented the surrounding residential

structures. This one-story station was also the work of architect Charles F. Allen and contractor B.B. Adams and is constructed of brick with a shallow-pitched hipped roof. A hip-roofed porch projects forward, supported by clusters of bracketed wood posts on battered brick piers. This station was sold by the city in 1966, once housing offices and now a clinic. The station is also designated at Fort Worth's lowest level of protected landmark status, Demolition Delay.



1601 Lipscomb Street

Now included in Fort Worth's local Fairmount Historic District, Fire Station No. 8 was one of about ten bungalow-style



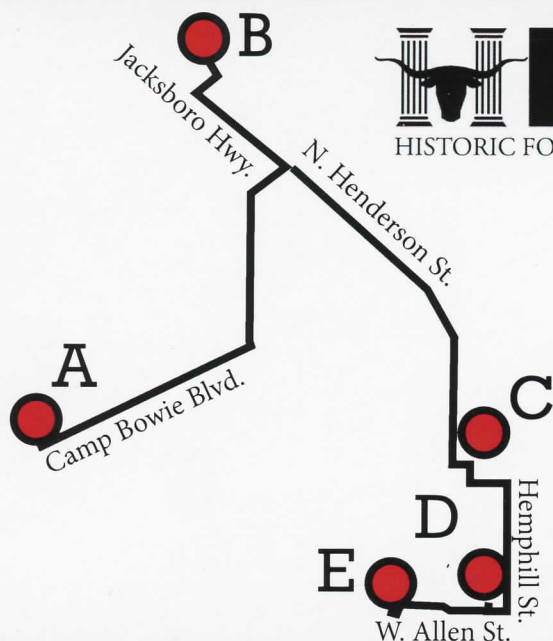
fire stations built in Fort Worth in 1922 and 1923. All seem to have been the work of architect Charles F. Allen and contractor B.B. Adams. Allen was a versatile bungalow designer who published *Allen's Southern Bungalows* in 1922. The one and one-half story stucco-clad station has a shallow-pitched hipped roof and hip-roofed porch. The station has been used as a recreation center by the Fort Worth Parks & Recreation Department since 1979, and has been altered by the enclosure of the porch and several windows. The center now hosts after-school programs, athletic events, and a variety of classes for both youth and adults.

1616 Park Place Ave.

This former neighborhood fire station is a one-story brick structure, rectangular in plan, with offset hip-roofed porch and roofs clad



in red tile. The porch piers and balustrade feature cast-stone trim of an abstract design. Also the work of architect Charles F. Allen and contractor B.B. Adams, the former fire station has been in private ownership since 1965. Used over the years as business offices, the restored building was opened as the Art Station in 2004. The Art Station is a nonprofit organization offering individual and group art therapy and community programs to children and adults. Fort Worth's bungalow fire stations remain historically significant as intact examples of an ambitious municipal program of sensitive civic design in the tradition of the City Beautiful movement. This building is not protected by any local City of Fort Worth historic designation.



Driving Tour of Fort Worth's Bungalow-Style Fire Stations

- A. 1908 Carleton Avenue
- B. 1905 Belmont Avenue
- C. 431 Fulton Street
- D. 1601 Lipscomb Street
- E. 1616 Park Avenue