

# Wisconsin Historical Society: The Edwards-Larson House listed on the national register of historic places

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McFarland, WI. – The Wisconsin Historical Society announces the listing of the Edwards-Larson House in the Village of McFarland, Dane County, on the National Register of Historic Places.

Constructed in 1898, the Edwards-Larson House features an abundance of characteristic elements of the Queen Anne style, such as a steeply pitched, compound roof form with a dominant front-facing gable, and construction devices to avoid a smooth-walled appearance. This style also includes an asymmetrical front façade, wood clapboard siding with decorative patterned shingles in the gables, corner brackets, cutaway bay windows at the front and sides of the house, decorative spindle-work in the gables, tall, wood, double-hung windows, a prominent wood door sited left of center and a full-width front porch with turned porch posts, an elaborate pattern of turned balusters in the railing, and a spindle-work frieze at the top of the posts.

The Edwards-Larson House has recently undergone a restoration of the exterior where damaged and missing elements were replicated to match the original in material, design, scale and profile. The interior retains very good integrity, having its historic plan, features and finishes throughout. Prominently sitting on the corner of two well-traveled roads, it is considered one of the best homes in McFarland.

The home is open Memorial Day and every Sunday from 1 to 4 PM through September. It is also open for special tours by appointment.

The National Register is the official list of historic properties in America deemed worthy of preservation and is maintained by the National Park Service in the U.S. Department of the Interior. The Wisconsin Historical Society administers the program within Wisconsin. It includes sites, buildings, structures, objects and districts that are significant in national, state or local history, architecture, archaeology, engineering or culture.

Additional information for this house is available at <https://wisconsinhistory.org/Records/NationalRegister/NR2721>

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