



10. ROSENBERG FOUNTAIN

(Corner of Postoffice and 21st Street)

Still equipped with running water, this fountain originally stood in the middle of 20th Street at the south end of the Strand. Dismantled in 1949, it was discovered again in 1952, and efforts were made to find a location at which it could be reassembled. It was finally re-erected in 1995 and was set diagonally at the corner of Postoffice and 21st Street.



11. ROSENBERG FOUNTAIN

(2028 Strand at Hendley Green)

Galveston Historical Foundation placed this Rosenberg Fountain at Hendley Green in 2016. Prior to that, it stood in several different places on the beachfront.

12. ROSENBERG FOUNTAIN

(Ball Street at 15th Street)

This fountain originally stood in Morris Lasker Park, located from 40th Street to 41st Street between Winnie and Ball. Relocated during the 1940s, it stood on a grass plot next to the Jack Tar Hotel on 6th Street and Seawall Boulevard. Today it has its own mini-park on the corner of 15th Street and Ball.



13. ROSENBERG FOUNTAIN

(Ball Street at 12th Street)

Unlike the other Rosenberg fountains, this one was intended for use by people only. It did not have separate basins for animals. It was originally placed in a park at the opposite side of this block. The fountain was later moved to its current location where the 1885 Rosenberg School building once stood.



14. ROSENBERG FOUNTAIN

(Animal-Only Basin - 10th Street between Ball and Winnie)

This dog basin is not included in the original bid for the Rosenberg fountains, but it is inscribed with "Gift of Henry Rosenberg." It is believed that after the larger fountains were built, excess funds were used to construct several small animal basins like this one.



15. ROSENBERG FOUNTAIN

(N 1/2 between 20th Street and 21st Street)

This Rosenberg fountain now stands in a gated community garden managed by the San Jacinto Neighborhood Association.

Other sites related to HENRY ROSENBERG



EATON CHAPEL

(22nd Street at Ball Street)

Henry Rosenberg provided \$10,000 toward construction costs of Trinity Episcopal Church's Eaton Chapel. The chapel was completed in 1882, eleven years before his death.

SITE OF FORMER ROSENBERG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

(710 10th Street)

In 1885, Rosenberg School opened its doors to students living in Galveston's east end neighborhood. The original building was replaced by a modern structure in 1966. The campus was renamed Coastal Village Elementary in 2009.



ROSENBERG RESIDENCE

(1306 Market)

Henry Rosenberg built this mansion in 1859 and lived here until his death in 1893. Today it is owned by the University of Texas Medical Branch.

ROSENBERG BUILDING

(2309-2311 Strand)

This three-story commercial building was built by Mr. Rosenberg in 1871. Today the building has retail businesses on the ground floor and apartments on the second and third floors.



PASSPORT TO THE PAST

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H. Rosenberg

ROSENBERG LIBRARY

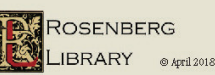


HENRY ROSENBERG: Gifts to Galveston

1. Rosenberg Library: 2310 Sealy
2. The Colored Branch of Rosenberg Library: 2627 M
3. Texas Heroes Monument: Broadway at 25th
4. The Galveston Orphans Home: 1315 21st
5. Letitia Rosenberg Women's Home: 25th at O½
6. Grace Episcopal Church: 1115 36th
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OTHER SITES RELATED TO HENRY ROSENBERG (not included on passport)

- Eaton Chapel: 22nd at Ball
- Site of the former Rosenberg Elementary School: 710 10th
- Rosenberg Residence: 1306 Market
- Rosenberg Building: 2309–2311 Strand



When Galveston businessman and philanthropist Henry Rosenberg died in May of 1893, his last will and testament was made public. To the great surprise of local residents, Mr. Rosenberg left the bulk of his sizable estate to fund various charitable projects around the city. Among these were the construction of a library, an orphanage, a church, a monument honoring veterans of the Texas Revolution, and public drinking fountains for both people and animals.

Of the original seventeen Rosenberg fountains, only nine still exist. Many of these have been moved to their present sites from other locations on the island. Each fountain bears a unique design. Henry Rosenberg also funded the construction of a YMCA building, but it later closed and was torn down in 1954.

Fortunately, many of Mr. Rosenberg's gifts to Galveston can still be found today. Use this passport and the included map to explore the island and uncover the legacy of Henry Rosenberg.

While some sites are within walking distance of one another, the tour is designed for driving or biking.



1. ROSENBERG LIBRARY (2310 Sealy Street)
Rosenberg Library opened its doors in 1904. It is one of the oldest public libraries in the state of Texas. Henry Rosenberg's will provided funds for the construction and endowment of a library to aid the "intellectual and moral development" of Galveston residents.



2. ROSENBERG LIBRARY COLORED BRANCH
(Currently Old Central Cultural Center - 2627 Avenue M)
During the early 20th century, separate public facilities existed for white citizens and for African American citizens in the South. For this reason, a branch of the Rosenberg Library for "colored" citizens was established at Central High School (also for African Americans). The Colored Branch of Rosenberg Library operated from 1905 until 1958 when the library's board of directors opened the main branch to people of all races.



3. TEXAS HEROES MONUMENT
(Broadway at 25th Street)
Henry Rosenberg chose to honor the memory of those who served in the 1836 Texas Revolution by erecting this impressive monument on the city's main thoroughfare. It measures 72 feet in height. The bronze figures were cast in Rome, Italy.

4. THE GALVESTON ORPHANS HOME
(Currently the Bryan Museum - 1315 21st Street)
Another gift of Henry Rosenberg, the Galveston Orphans Home was dedicated in November 1895. The building functioned as an orphanage and foster home for nearly a century. It was restored and re-opened as the Bryan Museum in 2015.



In 1896, the Letitia Rosenberg Woman's Home was formally dedicated. Named in honor of Henry Rosenberg's first wife, the building served as a residence for elderly women in poor health or in need of financial assistance.

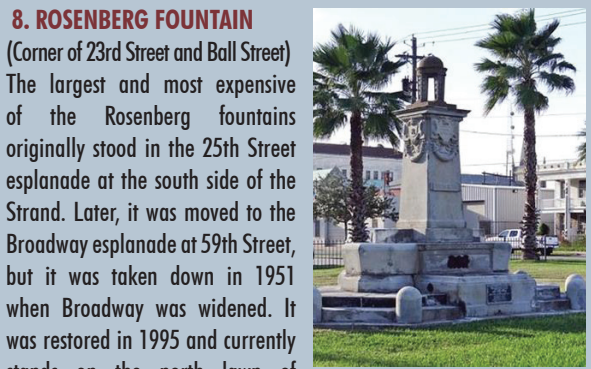
5. LETITIA ROSENBERG WOMAN'S HOME
(Currently a private residence - 25th Street at O 1/2)
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6. GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH
(1115 36th Street)
Mr. Rosenberg's will provided construction funds for a new church for his parish, Grace Episcopal. Completed in 1895, this beautiful Gothic-style limestone structure replaced the original wooden church building.



7. ROSENBERG FOUNTAIN
(Broadway at 16th Street)
Recently moved from its former site at 427 Market Street, this fountain was relocated and has become the centerpiece of this beautiful, privately owned park.



8. ROSENBERG FOUNTAIN
(Corner of 23rd Street and Ball Street)
The largest and most expensive of the Rosenberg fountains originally stood in the 25th Street esplanade at the south side of the Strand. Later, it was moved to the Broadway esplanade at 59th Street, but it was taken down in 1951 when Broadway was widened. It was restored in 1995 and currently stands on the north lawn of Rosenberg Library at 23rd Street and Ball Street.



9. ROSENBERG FOUNTAIN
(Corner of Ball Street and 21st Street)
This fountain originally stood in Central Park which was bordered by 20th and 21st streets between Winnie and Ball. When the park in front of the current Courthouse was redesigned in the 1990s, the fountain was moved to its present location at the corner of 21st Street and Ball.