

NOMINATION PROPOSAL - FLORIDA

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

DIVISION OF ARCHIVES, HISTORY AND RECORDS MANAGEMENT - FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS

1 NAME SJT 14

HISTORIC
7217 Ventura Avenue

AND/OR COMMON
Rice House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
7217 Ventura Avenue

CITY, TOWN
Jacksonville n/a VICINITY OF

STATE Florida COUNTY Duval

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
Elizabeth C. Rice

STREET & NUMBER
7217 Ventura Avenue

CITY, TOWN Jacksonville STATE Florida ZIP CODE 32217
VICINITY OF N/A

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Duval County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER
330 East Bay Street

CITY, TOWN Jacksonville STATE Florida ZIP CODE 32202

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
Thematic Survey, San Jose Estates Development

DATE 1983 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS San Jose Estates Preservation, Inc.

CITY, TOWN Jacksonville STATE Florida

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

SUMMARY OF PRESENT AND ORIGINAL PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

7217 Ventura Avenue is a two-story, L-shaped Spanish styled building constructed of stucco over hollow tile. The building retains its original clay barrel roof. Two stucco chimnies with barrel tile caps are located on the west and south walls of the building. All windows and doors have been replaced with jalousies. The main entrance to the building is flanked by a pair of twisted columns with composite capitals which support a stylized entablature containing a shield set in a floral pattern. The entablature is crowned by a pair of finials and a wrought iron railing. Because of the overgrown condition of its site, the building is the least accessible of the original San Jose structures. See photo #14.

TEXT SUPPORTING SUMMARY OF PRESENT AND ORIGINAL PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1925

BUILDER/ARCHITECT O. P. Woodcock/Marsh and Saxelby

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

7217 Ventura Avenue is significant as one of the 25 remaining structures built as part of the San Jose Estates development, a planned, self-contained suburban community developed in 1925 by a group of Jacksonville businessmen at the height of the Florida Land Boom. As do the majority of the original San Jose structures, the building reflects the Spanish or Mediterranean Revival style of architecture developed for the subdivision by the Jacksonville architects Marsh and Saxelby. The building possesses sufficient architectural integrity and historic significance through association with the San Jose development to be individually eligible for nomination as part of the accompanying thematic nomination.

TEXT SUPPORTING SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

7217 Ventura Avenue is one of 18 surviving residence built in 1925 on lots owned by the builder of the San Jose development, O. P. Woodcock, with mortgage retained by San Jose Estates Corporation. Public record states that, like each of the 18 surviving 1925 houses, it was deeded to Woodcock in 1934 after several years of litigation involving Woodcock's Company, San Jose Estates, and the Florida National Bank. The building was bought by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rice in 1947. Mr. Rice died around 1960 and, according to neighbors, Mrs. Rice has not been off the property since that time. This is the only San Jose residence which has not been maintained or restored.

BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

See cover nomination bibliography.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

Site Size (Approx. Acreage of Property):

Less than one acre.

UTM Coordinates:

17	439700	3346050
ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING

Township	Range	Section
3 S	27 E	43

LOCATION SKETCH OR MAP

N

See attached map.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Section B San Jose Lot 11 Bk. 70

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
N/A			

FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

San Jose Estates Preservation, Inc.

DATE

1984

STREET & NUMBER

7346 St. Augustine Road

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Jacksonville

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ZIP CODE

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