

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 WASHINGTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02108

AREA	FORM NO.
	19/89-16

PHOTO: (3x3" or 3x5", black & white)
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Photo number _____

SKETCH MAP

Show property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection. Indicate north.

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Organization Brookline Historical Commission

Date March, 1982; update, May, 1985

Town Brookline MRA

Address 41 Mason Terrace

Historic Name Lynch-O'Gorman House

Use: Present residential

Original residential

DESCRIPTION:

Date 1889

Source permit

Style Queen Anne

Architect Arthur Vinal

Exterior wall fabric shingle & clapboard

Outbuildings none

Major alterations (with dates) _____

no alteration permits on file

Moved from 1560 Beacon St. Date 1903

Approx. acreage 7739 sq.ft.

Setting In mixed residential neighborhood,

abutted by apartment house

Newton Quadrangle

UTM Reference: 19/324350/4689590

Map #: 47

(Staple additional sheets here)

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.)

This house is one of the older and more architecturally exceptional structures on Corey Hill. Asymmetrical massing, conical roofs, and turrets as well as staggered butt shingles, clapboards, and oversized acanthus leaves on bays and the southeast gable contribute to a lively and varied visual and textural exterior, so typical of the Queen Anne style. Intricately carved stone and wood porch posts support a single story entry porch while a large oriel window on the west facade counterbalances the two story rounded bay on the east. Other houses on this part of the street, while similar in size, date from the 1890s and are examples of the Free Classic subtype of the Queen Anne style. Arthur Vinal, the architect, studied architecture with Peabody and Stearns; he was known for his residential designs, *

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.)

Number 41 Mason Terrace originally stood on Beacon Street on the site of the apartment building at 1560 Beacon Street. It was built in 1889 by Charles D. Sias, an executive with Chase and Sanborn, tea and coffee dealers with offices at 87 Broad Street in Boston. The following year Sias built a stable behind the house, again employing the services of Vinal. By 1900 the house was owned by Frederick McQuestern of the George McQuestern lumber company which had a mill, docks, and yards in East Boston. In 1903, McQuestern decided to build a larger house for himself on Beacon Street and purchased a lot on Mason Terrace from Henry Whitney, president of the West End Street Railway, to which to move this house. His new house at 1560 Beacon Street was designed by Winslow and Wetherell; it was demolished to make room for the present apartment building in 1967. 41 Mason Terrace, once moved, was used for rental property for a number of years. By 1913 it was owned by Henry Lynch and his wife.

This house is listed with HABS (#959-MA)

41 Mason Terrace meets NR criteria C, being a fine and unique (for the neighborhood) example of the Queen Anne style, featuring multiple roofs, steep gables, turrets, contrasting textures and materials, and elaborate ornamentation.

* particularly those in Dorchester and Roxbury. In Brookline he designed 54 and 66 Powell Street (in 1895), both of which are in the Queen Anne style with two story towers, like 41 Mason Terrace. He also designed the attached townhouses at 1077-81 Beacon Street (1894). The design of the pumphouse at the open reservoir on Fisher Hill has been attributed to him; he was also the architect of the Chestnut Hill Pumping Station, a large stone structure by the reservoir on Beacon Street.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES (name of publication, author, date and publisher)

Permit-1889

Brookline Directory-1891-1910

Boston Directory-1904

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Continuation sheet

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Brookline MRA
State MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

51. House ^{at}
(156 Mason Terr.)Entered in the
National RegisterKeeper Delores Byers 10/17/85

Attest

52. Houses ^{at}
(76--96 Harvard Ave.)Entered in the
National RegisterKeeper Delores Byers 10/17/85

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53. Hotel Adelaide

Entered in the
National RegisterKeeper Delores Byers 10/17/85

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54. Hotel Kempsford

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National RegisterKeeper Delores Byers 10/17/85

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55. Jackson, Thaddeus, House

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56. Kilsyth Terrace

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57. Linden Park

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58. Linden Square

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59. Lynch--O'Gorman House

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60. Milestone
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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Lynch--O'Gorman House (Brookline MRA)
Norfolk County
MASSACHUSETTS

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Entered in the
National Register

Working No. SEP 4 1985
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/3/87
Date Due: 10/3/85 - 10/19/85
Action: ☒ ACCEPT 10-17-85
☐ RETURN
☐ REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition

- ☐ excellent ☐ deteriorated
☐ good ☐ ruins
☐ fair ☐ unexposed

Check one

- ☐ unaltered
☐ altered

Check one

- ☐ original site
☐ moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ alterations/integrity
☐ dates
☐ boundary selection

8. Significance

Period Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- ☐ summary paragraph
- ☐ completeness
- ☐ clarity
- ☐ applicable criteria
- ☐ justification of areas checked
- ☐ relating significance to the resource
- ☐ context
- ☐ relationship of integrity to significance
- ☐ justification of exception
- ☐ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title

date

13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



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41 MASON TERRACE (19/09-16)
Brookline (Ma) MRA
Lynch & Gorman have
TOWN OF BROOKLINE MAP
scale 1/2" = 200ft.

