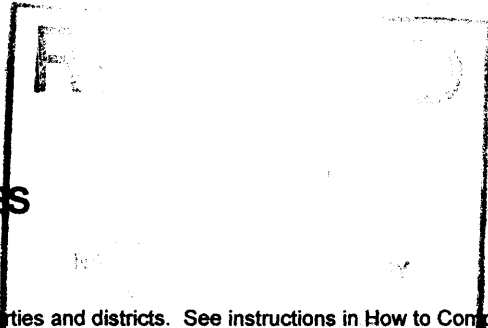


United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM



1223

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Williams Piano Company House

other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 1019 South Norton not for publication N/A

city or town Sioux Falls vicinity N/A

state South Dakota code SD county Minnehaha code 099 zip code 57105

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this x nomination ___ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property x meets ___ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant ___ nationally ___ statewide x locally. (___ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Jay D. Voigt
Signature of certifying official

09-12-2000
Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property ___ meets ___ does not meet the National Register criteria. (___ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official _____ Date _____

4. National Park Service Certification

- I hereby certify that the property is:
- entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet
 - determined eligible for the National Register.
 See continuation sheet
 - determined not eligible for the National Register
 - removed from the National Register.
 - other,
(explain:)

Signature of the Keeper: Edson H. Beal Date of Action: 10/12/00

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	buildings
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	sites
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	structures
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	objects
<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) N/A

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance

1887

Williams Piano Company House
Name of Property

Minnehaha County, South Dakota
County and State

Significant Dates 1887

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)
N/A

Cultural Affiliation N/A

Architect/Builder W. Benjamin-Builder

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See Continuation Sheets

9. Major Bibliographical References

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS)

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey #
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record #

Primary Location of Additional Data

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository: _____

Williams Piano Company House
Name of Property

Minnehaha County, South Dakota
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than 1 acre

UTM References

(place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

1	<u>14</u> Zone	<u>683018</u> Easting	<u>4822613</u> Northing	3	<u> </u> Zone	<u> </u> Easting	<u> </u> Northing
2	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	4	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.) See Continuation Sheet

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.) See Continuation Sheet

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Mary Lou Schramm & Lynda Schwan
organization Homeowner & SD SHPO date June 30, 2000
street & number 900 Governors Drive telephone 605-773-6056
city or town Pierre state SD zip code 57501

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Williams Piano Company House
Name of Property

Minnehaha County, South Dakota
County and State

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Mary Lou Schramm
street & number 1019 South Norton telephone 605-333-0239
city or town Sioux Falls state SD zip code 57105

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470 et seq.).

Estimated Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 18.1 hours per response including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Chief, Administrative Services Division, National Park Service, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, DC 20013-7127; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reductions Project (1024-0018), Washington, DC 20503.

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Continuation Sheet

Section number 7 Page 1

Narrative Description:

The Williams Piano Company House is located in Sioux Falls, the largest city in the State of South Dakota, on a corner lot. It is located in a residential neighborhood and the surrounding homes were built during the early 20th century. The house, constructed in 1887, in the Queen Anne style is a popular building style in the State of South Dakota. The general appearance of the home is one of symmetry and unity, which is reflected in its overall balanced design.

The exterior and interior still reflect the family's tastes and style of 1887. The house has a platform frame construction resting on a cut stone foundation. It is a two story house, with narrow clapboard siding. The home has a gable asphalt shingled roof with four crossed gables. It has a wrap around porch from the east elevation to the south elevation as well as a smaller porch on the opposite end of the south elevation.

The façade (east elevation) has wood steps leading to a wrap around porch with a shed roof. The posts and balusters are simple turned wood pieces. The first floor has a large Queen Anne window. Above the porch is a band of wood shingles. The second floor has a one-over-one double hung window centered on the façade. There is an unornamented frieze at the roofline and simple corner boards.

The south elevation has the continuation of the wrap around porch from the east elevation. It has one post and the same simple balusters. The first floor has a one-over-one double hung window and an entry door at the southeast corner with the same band of wood shingles above the first floor. The cross gable has a pair of one-over-one double hung windows with simple wood trim. Above the first floor windows is a band of wood shingles. The second floor has a one-over-one double hung window centered on this elevation. There is an unornamented frieze at the roofline and simple corner boards. The southwest portion of the south elevation has a small enclosed area that was once used as a changing room for employees. It has a pair of one-over-one double hung windows with simple wood trim and an entry door. This section also has a porch with the same balusters and posts as the wrap around porch. Above the shed roof of the porch is a shed dormer with two small one-over-one double hung windows.

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Continuation Sheet

Section number 7 Page 2

The west elevation has a pair of one-over-one double hung windows on both the first and second floors. There is an unornamented frieze with simple corner boards. The wood shingles are not continued on this elevation.

The first floor of the northwest section of the north elevation has three one-over-one double hung windows. There is a shed roof through dormer at the roofline. The cross gable has a one-over-one double hung window on the first and second floors. They are separated by a band of wood shingles which continues to the east elevation of the house. It has an unornamented frieze with simple corner boards. The east elevation of the cross gable has an entry door on the first floor. The northeast section has a one-over-one double hung window on the first floor. The second floor has no openings.

The house has a carriage house at the west end of the lot. It is a wood clapboard, asphalt shingled gable roof structure that was built into the side of a small hill. The south elevation has two sets of wood doors that open from the center. The east and west elevations have two square fixed pane windows.

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Continuation Sheet

Section number 8 Page 3

Statement of Significance

The Williams Piano Company House is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion C as it is a fine example of Queen Anne architecture in Sioux Falls. It exhibits many distinctive characteristics of the Queen Anne style and is a well-preserved example of Queen Anne architecture. The Williams House continues to provide a sense of architectural appeal that made it noteworthy in 1887.

The Williams House was constructed in 1887 in a popular architectural style for its time. Mary Richardson owned the lot in the City of Sioux Falls and had the house constructed by W. Benjamin. The Richardson's lived in the east section of the house while their servants lived in the west section. The Williams Family moved into the house in the early 1890's and started a retail business out of the west portion of the house. The William's Family sold pianos to residents from Sioux Falls and the surrounding areas.

The Williams used the east section of the house as their primary residence. The front section of the house had the traditional pattern of a Queen Anne house with a parlor, dining room, and kitchen on the first floor with a wrap around porch on the exterior for additional relaxation. The second floor had limited access to the public and therefore only had bedrooms and a sitting area near the staircase. The rear portion of the home was used as a retail space for the Williams Piano Company. The first floor was utilized as retail space while the second floor was used as housing for employees.

Queen Anne style architecture is characterized by steeply pitched roofs of irregular shape with dominant front-facing gables, pattern shingles, cutaway bay windows, and other devices used to avoid a smooth wall appearance. The Williams house has a cross gable roof with a front-facing gable giving the house an irregular appearance compared to the surrounding buildings. It uses wood shingles as a decorative element on the wall surface. Differing wall textures are a key element in Queen Anne style houses. This is commonly achieved with pattern wood shingles or differing patterns of bricks. Typical Queen Anne houses have an asymmetrical facade with partial or full-width porch which is usually one story high and extended along one or both side walls. The Williams house utilizes these elements as well. Queen Anne was the dominant style of architecture from 1880-1900 and persisted with decreasing popularity through the first decade of the 20th century. In the mid-western part of the United States, the style increases in dominance.

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Continuation Sheet

Section number 8 Page 4

The Williams Piano Company House is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places for its architectural significance. The Queen Anne style of architecture was prominent in South Dakota from 1880-1900. The Williams House fits into the time frame and is a fine example of Queen Anne architecture.

Bibliography

Guild, Robin. *The Victorian House Book*. New York: Rizzoli International Publications, INC. 1989.

Lee Valley Tools Ltd. *The Victorian Design Book*. Ottawa, Ontario: Lee Valley Tools Ltd. 1984.

Osband, Linda. *Victorian House Style*. Singapore: CS Graphics Pte. LTD. 1994.

Verbal Boundary Description

The south 66 feet of lots 10, 11 and 12. The east one foot and south 44 feet of lot 9 of the Richardson Subdivision, Block 4 of Park Addition.

Boundary Justification

All the land that has historically been associated with the house.