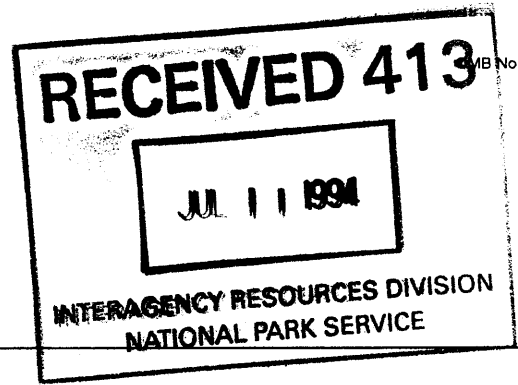


United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service



NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Property

historic name: Graham House

other name/site number: 24FH

2. Location

street & number: 825 6th Avenue East

not for publication: n/a
vicinity: n/a

city/town: Kalispell

state: Montana code: MT county: Flathead code: 029 zip code: 59901

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.)

Maurell Sharp MT SHPO 6-28-94
Signature of certifying official/Title Date

Montana State Historic Preservation Office
State or Federal agency or bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria.

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this 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

 see continuation sheet
 removed from the National Register
 see continuation sheet

 other (explain): _____

for
Signature of the Keeper Edson B. Beall Date of Action 8-24-94

Entered in the
National Register

5. Classification

Ownership of Property: private public-local public-State public-Federal

Category of Property: building(s) district site structure object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing
<u> 2 </u>	<u> 0 </u> building(s)
<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: Historic and Architectural Properties of Kalispell, Montana

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions:

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

Current Functions:

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification:

Moderne

Materials:

foundation: CONCRETE
roof: ASPHALT
walls: STUCCO
other: N/A

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

The Graham House is a good example of an Art Moderne-style residence. The house has a flat roof, stucco siding, multi-paned fixed and double-hung window units, rounded corners, and a front door with a round window. The large garage is also flat-roofed and has stucco siding, but the corners are not rounded. The windows are metal sash units. The garage was built at the same time as the house, in 1942. The house has not been remodeled since it was constructed.

According to the wife of the builder of the residence, the landscaping has not changed since the house was built except that the shrubs have gotten larger.

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria: C

Areas of Significance: Architecture

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions): n/a

Period(s) of Significance: 1942

Significant Person(s): n/a

Significant Dates: 1942

Cultural Affiliation: n/a

Architect/Builder(s): Graham, Wilber

NARRATIVE STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Graham House is one of the few residential examples of the Art Moderne style in Kalispell. The house was built in 1942 by Wilber Graham, a Kalispell building contractor, for his family. Distinctive features of the style include the flat roof, stucco siding, circular window in the front door, the metal sash windows that are flush with the wall plane, and the rounded corners. The residence is eligible for listing on the National Register under Criterion C for architecture.

Wilber Graham designed the residence himself. When it was built, the house was located on the outskirts of town. The house is still occupied by Mrs. Wilber (Celeste) Graham.

9. Major Bibliographic References

Graham, Celeste (current owner), interview with Kathy McKay, June 1, 1993.

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 (City of Kalispell)

University

Other -- Specify Repository: Flathead County Library, Kalispell

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property: less than one acre

UTM References:

	Zone	Easting	Northing
A	11	700600	5340950

Verbal Boundary Description

Addition 7, Block 242, Lot 9, Section 17, Township 28 North, Range 21 West, Montana Principal Meridian.

Boundary Justification

The legally recorded boundary of this property encompasses the significant resources.

11. Form Prepared By

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Property Owner

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state: MT

telephone:

zip code: 59901