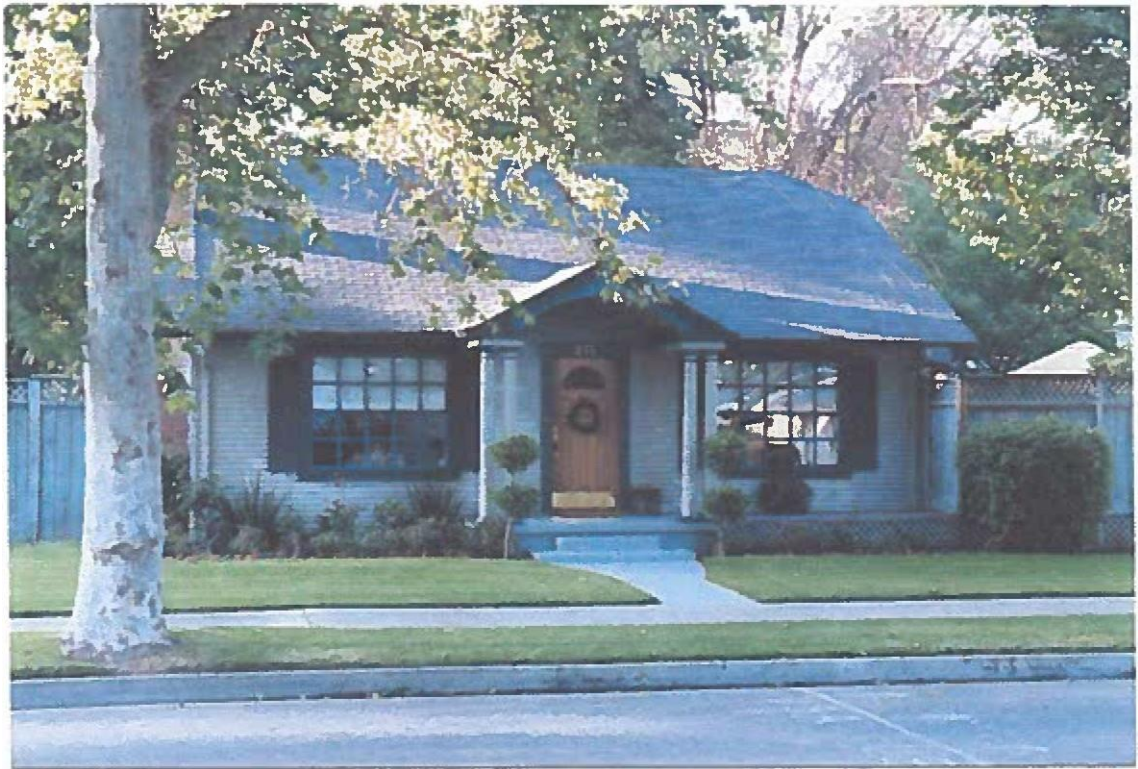


42. THE GUZMAN RESIDENCE 215 Stoddard Avenue (1927)



Landmark Preservation Commission Resolution: February 23, 1998
Designated by City Council: March 24, 1998

Description: This symmetrical residence is in the Craftsman Bungalow style. The home has a rectangular plan and is sheathed in narrow clapboard siding. A medium-gable roof with hipped ends and exposed rafters, caps the structure. A small intersecting gable with a boxed cornice and returns forms a porch over the centered main entrance. Paired round columns support the porch roof. Fenestration consists of a pair of multipaned casement windows on either side of the entry. An exterior brick chimney projects from one side of the house.

Architectural Significance: This residence is an excellent example of a Craftsman Bungalow Style building. The Craftsman Bungalow Style is recognized by the deliberate use of natural materials, its emphasis on structural form, and a casual relationship with the out-of-doors.

Historical Significance: The first owners of the home, E.J. and Mattie Bryan, traded the house for china, crystal, and jewelry with Harvey McDaniel, a downtown jeweler, in order to move to a farm on Scenic Drive in 1943. The Bryans soon grew tired of farming and bought the house back. In 1947, they sold the home to Amos and Josephine Johansen, parents of former Modesto mayor Peter Johansen. The house is now owned by the Guzman family.