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Date, Location Announced for
2007 Historic Chicago Bungalow and Green Home Expo
150 Expert Bungalow and Green Home Vendors Help
Homeowners and Buyers Rehab or Purchase Historic Homes

WHAT: 2007 Historic Chicago Bungalow and Green Home Expo
WHEN: Saturday, October 27th, 2007; 10:00am-4:00pm
WHERE: The Merchandise Mart 8th Floor
222 Merchandise Mart Plaza, Chicago
COST: FREE
INFO: Phone: (312) 642-0999; Web: <http://www.chicagobungalow.org>

CHICAGO – Responding to the comments of visitors and vendors alike, Chicago’s most popular home renovation exposition – **The Historic Chicago Bungalow and Green Home Expo** – will return to Chicago’s renowned Merchandise Mart for its 2007 show. This year’s Expo is scheduled to take place on Saturday, October 27th, 2007 from 10am-4pm.

Created in 2002 as the Historic Chicago Bungalow Expo and expanded in 2006 to include green home renovation resources, this event provides attendees with all of the tools necessary to purchase their first home or restore their Historic Chicago Bungalow.

Visitors to the Expo will have access to 150 vendors as well as 15 hands-on seminars – focused both on historic home restoration and green building technology – plus information on loans and grants available for home purchase and rehab through the Historic Chicago Bungalow Association (HCBA) and City of Chicago’s Department of Housing.

Vendors will be on hand to advise residents on any number of projects, from installing a rain garden or restoring wood windows to upgrading wiring or plumbing in their historic homes. Owners of Chicago Bungalows who bring photographs of their homes will also be able to certify their bungalows on the spot with the HCBA – the first step to taking advantage of the financial incentives available through the HCBA. Workshops at the event will help demystify home rehab and restoration and explain the ins and outs of confusing mortgage or permit issues.

“The Historic Chicago Bungalow and Green Home Expo offers residents the tools and resources necessary to purchase their first home, restore a historic house, or incorporate green building techniques into their renovation projects,” said Annette Conti, Executive Director of the HCBA. “We are excited to again partner with the City of Chicago’s Departments of Housing and Environment to encourage residents to ‘be green’, as energy-efficiency means long-term affordability for homes.”

Admission is free, street and lot parking are available, and the Merchandise Mart can be easily reached by public transportation, with a Brown Line CTA stop immediately in front of the building.

For more information on the 2007 Expo, please visit the Historic Chicago Bungalow Association at www.chicagobungalow.org.

The non-profit Historic Chicago Bungalow Association and the City of Chicago Department of Housing produce the Historic Chicago Bungalow and Green Home Expo. Mayor Richard M. Daley launched the Bungalow Initiative in 2000 to celebrate and ensure the longevity of Chicago’s historic bungalow neighborhoods. By offering owners and potential buyers financial and technical resources to aid in the preservation and acquisition of Chicago bungalows, this program has helped more than 10,000 homeowners through the City to purchase, restore and modernize bungalows for today’s lifestyles and energy needs.

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