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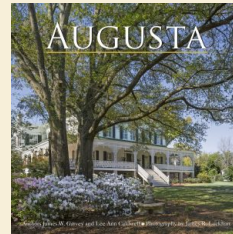
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March is Women's History Month
Featuring Ellen Neal Pruitt, AIA



Ellen Pruitt is a member of the Board of Trustees of Historic Augusta and an architect at **Studio 3 Design Group**. She is involved in both residential and commercial work. Her desire to become an architect was fostered by her older brother while he was a college student at Georgia Tech. He noticed her love for art and math and thought it would be a perfect match for her. It turned out that he was right. She graduated magna cum laud with her B.S. in Design from Clemson University followed by a Master of Architecture degree. She

enjoyed studying in Italy and England. In a field long dominated by men, Ellen was influenced by female architects such as **Julia Morgan** from the early 20th century who designed the Hearst Castle as well as many other Electric Era buildings. She was also influenced by **Margaret McCurry, Deborah Berke and Denise Scott Brown**, three women practicing architecture in the 1990s. Ellen has a particular love for historic preservation. She says that a building tells a story and tells us who we are. Ellen doesn't feel that she's a trailblazer in her profession even though she was the only female architect when she began working in Augusta. **The American Institute of Architects is now made up of 50% women.** She does feel that women bring empathy and sensitivity to the field especially when it comes to designing a home. A couple of years ago, Ellen presented a lecture as part of our architectural history lecture series entitled "**Victorian Architecture during the Gilded Age, 1866-1900.**" She has taught various courses on the history of American architecture at **Augusta University**. Ellen has worked on many of Augusta's architectural gems during her career from the **Old Government House** and the **Cotton Exchange** to more recently the **Convention and Visitors Bureau** and the rehabilitation of the **Augusta Jewish Museum** on Telfair Street. We appreciate all that Ellen Pruitt does for our organization as well as for our community



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John McBrayer Appointed Chairman of Augusta Historic Preservation Commission



Historic Augusta would like to congratulate **John McBrayer**, a member of our Board of Trustees, for being appointed **Chairman of the Augusta Historic Preservation Commission**. He has been a member of the commission for two years and will serve another two as chairman. He will represent **District 1**. John has a Masters degree from the University of Georgia in Historic Preservation. He is the owner of Beulah's Antiques on Eighth Street.



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