

GASTOWN HISTORICAL BUILDING

This building is among the oldest still existing buildings standing in its original site. The Alhambra hotel, located on the upper floor, provided both long and short term lodging in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. The Alhambra hotel, a commission for George Byrnes, was incredibly opulent in its time contrasting the many wooden hotels that surrounded it.

One of the first rehabilitation projects in this area and standing in the birthplace of Vancouver, Maple Tree Square, Byrnes Block was transformed into a completely dedicated retail and commercial building in 2009.



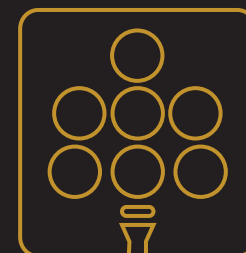
Also Known As:
Alhambra Hotel
Herman Block

Built:
1886-1887

Architect:
Elmer H. Fisher
(1844-1905)

Restored By:
Acton Ostry Architects

BYRNES BLOCK



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A six-storey flatiron building originally commissioned by the hotelier Angelo Calori, was purposefully situated close to the old steamship docks at the foot of Columbia Street. It is the earliest reinforced concrete structure in Vancouver and was one of the first fireproof hotels in Western Canada. The first floor unit was a beer parlour with the basement below extending under the street on both sides as its keg cellar. Once the *Hotel Vancouver* was built on Granville, the *Hotel Europe* fell into disrepair.

In 1983, the upper floor were converted into subsidized housing units and the groundfloor unit is currently being used as a retail store.



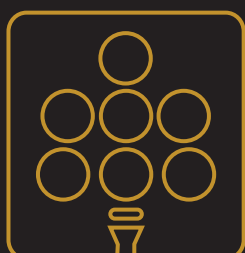
Also Known As:
Angelo Calori Building

Built:
1908 - 1909

Architects:
Parr and Fee Architectural

Restored By:
A. Ingre and Associates

HOTEL EUROPE



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One of the few stone-clad commercial buildings in Gastown. It replaced the Regina Hotel which was the only substantial structure to survive the Great 1886 fire. Built for Charles Edward Beckman at a cost of \$21 000.

Today the building maintains much the same aesthetic as when it was built. The main floor is the Water St. Cafe and instead of a hotel, offices are above. In 1919, the building was given a new storefront by Dalton and Eveleigh.



Also Known As:
Hotel Edward

Built:
1906

Architect:
Unknown

Restored By:
Dalton and Eveleigh (1919)

EDWARD HOTEL



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The west section of this building was built in 1908 with an eastern addition in 1913. The Leckie building was built for the J. Leckie Company who was a leading manufacturer of boots and shoes. The Leckie family moved to Vancouver in the late 1800's and are one of the city's pioneering families.

The Leckie building is made up of heavy timber construction, typically used in Gastown buildings. It was renovated in 1991 and won a City of Vancouver Heritage Award for its structural upgrading. Steel rods that run diagonally between the ground floor windows and the top storey are part of its seismic upgrading system.



Also Known As:
J. Leckie and Co. Factory
and Warehouse

Built:
1908 - 1913

Architect:
Dalton and Eveleigh

LECKIE BUILDING