

What is the Hower House Museum?

Hower House, a stately 28-room Victorian mansion, was built in 1871 by Akron industrialist John Henry Hower and his wife, Susan Youngker Hower.



They brought their family to Akron on the heels of the Civil War with a dream to expand their fortunes and lead the fledgling town into the burgeoning industrial age, regionally, nationally, and ultimately internationally. John Henry Hower would become known as the “father of Akron industry” because of his vision.

The Hower family, always engaged and generous to their community, lived in the home for three generations, filling it with treasures collected during extensive world travels. Their legacy is a wealth of elegant and eclectic furnishings, along with detailed accounts of their travels, family and social life.



The Hower House Museum has become an educational resource in the areas of Victorian culture, decorative arts, textile conservation, architectural history, and museum practices for students of all ages.

The Hower family deeded the House to The University of Akron in 1970. The structure, significant architecturally and historically, was opened to the public as an historic house museum in the mid-1980s.

It continues to be a treasure for the Akron community and the Northeast Ohio region providing a tangible link to its storied past.

What is the Hower House Museum Guild?

The Hower House Museum Guild is a volunteer support group assisting in the operation and preservation of the Hower House Museum, its contents and grounds. The Guild provides educational awareness of its historical significance.



Hower House Museum, Akron, Ohio
1871 Victorian Mansion

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