

Scott-Wanamaker House
2032 Walnut Street
Philadelphia (Center City)
Philadelphia County
Pennsylvania

HABS No. PA-1578

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE	COUNTY	TOWN OR VICINITY
PENNSYLVANIA	PHILADELPHIA	PHILADELPHIA
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME)		HABS NO.
SCOTT-WANAMAKER HOUSE		PA-1578
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES)		
2032 Walnut Street		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE)	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
1883	Theophilus Parsons Chandler, Jr.	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE)		
Notable example of Jacobean Revival style and one of the affluent townhouses in Philadelphia's Center City section. From 1894 to 1922 the house was the home of John Wanamaker, the founder of the John Wanamaker Department Store.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS)		
Brick faced with rusticated granite ashlar		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE)		
Dimensions are 50' (five-bay front) X 100'; three-and-a-half stories on vermiculated basement.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE		
Asymmetrical facade; unusual roof design; first and second floor front bay windows (semi-hexagonal); third floor balconies		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED)		
Center-hall plan with large open staircase; elaborately carved and paneled interior.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES		
Altered to apartment house and exterior stair tower added to west side 1938. Restored mid-1970s, after building vacated 1972.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.)		
Webster, Richard. <u>Philadelphia Preserved</u> . Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 1976.		
COMPILER, AFFILIATION	DATE	
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