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MARENGO COUNTY'S BERT & MARY ROSENBUSH HOUSE ADDED TO ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS & HERITAGE

The Alabama Historical Commission (AHC) recently added the Bert & Mary Rosenbush in Demopolis to the Alabama Register of Landmarks & Heritage.

The Alabama Register is a prestigious listing of historic, architectural, and archaeological landmarks. The AHC considers the notable historic properties in this register to be particularly worthy of preservation and appreciation, and therefore deserving of this special recognition.

The Bert & Mary Rosenbush House is listed in the Alabama Register for its architectural significance. "It is an excellent intact example of a 1950s residence designed by Don Buel Schuyler, an apprentice of famed architect Frank Lloyd Wright," said Lee Anne Wofford, Alabama Register Coordinator for the Alabama Historical Commission.

The house sits on 5 acres south of Demopolis and is surrounded by a treasure forest. It is a Prairie style home and features brick construction with a hip roof and horizontal lines in the windows in Wright's style. Large doors and windows offer incredible views of the Lake Miriam and the forest. Most original elements remain in the house. A lake cabin built in 1945 is also on the property. The Rosenbush family consisted of Jewish immigrants from Germany and settled in Demopolis in 1894. The family operated the Rosenbush Furniture Company, which operated for 108 years and at one time was Alabama's oldest home-owned furniture store.

The Alabama Historical Commission administers the Alabama Register program, which gives the public a simple way to bring recognition to historic properties.

The Alabama Register officially recognizes and honors buildings, sites, structures, objects, and historic districts that are at least 40 years old.

The Alabama Register designation is honorary and carries no restrictions on property and offers no financial incentives.

*To protect, preserve, and interpret Alabama's historic places is the mission of the **Alabama Historical Commission, the State Historic Preservation Office.***

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