



PORTRAITS OF TROY;THE ARCHITECTURE OF TOPEKA HIGH SCHOOL

Portraits of TROY is a stunning 272 page photo essay of the construction and architecture of a Topeka landmark. Containing 342 images, 104 from 1870 through 2012, *Portraits of TROY* is a visual journey through the school's architectural history.

The book:

- 272 page hardbound 11" by 8 ½" landscape format
- 342 images from 1870 thru 2012
- 104 black and white historical photos reproduced in the book
- 58 pairs of then and now images
- 17 multi exposure panoramas

The project of documenting the school:

- Over 340 historical photos digitized for the project
- Over 4887 21st century images taken for the project
- 40 blueprint pages from 1929 digitized for reference and reproduction
- Nine 360 degree by 180 degree high dynamic range panoramas, made up of 123 exposures, taken to provide virtual reality images

Topeka High School, a regional landmark, is on the National Register of Historic Places. At a 1931 cost of \$1.8 million THS was one of the most expensive high schools west of the Mississippi at that time. With 277,906 square feet, that's 6.35 acres, Topeka High School is still one of the largest high schools in Kansas. Details like Tennessee marble wainscoting for the main hallways and Vermont variegated slate roofs make the building more like a university than a high school.

A portion of the proceeds from Portraits of TROY goes to benefit the Topeka High School Historical Society.

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