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Your donation to the Friends of the Davenport House supports the museum in its educational and preservation activities. Membership provides opportunities to learn about and be a part of exciting work in the study of early America culture.

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Davenport House Museum offers a variety of after-hours programs and special events throughout the year including an October living history program, Holiday Tours by Candlelight the week between Christmas and New Year's, Madeira tours in February, tea programs in March and May, the Savannah Garden Expo in April, behind the scenes tours and walking tours throughout the spring. The garden and Kennedy Pharmacy are available for weddings, meetings, corporate events, and special occasions.

## Museum and Shop Open For Tours

Monday-Saturday 10 am-4 pm | Sunday 1pm-4 pm Last tour daily at 4pm Closed New Year's Day, St. Patrick's Day, Easter, July 4th, Thanksgiving, Christmas

Admission charged Discounts available for pre-reserving group of 10 or more For discounts and special assistance, please call

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## Discover daily life in the cosmopolitan seaport of 1820s Savanna

At the Davenport House visitors glimpse into the American past when the nation was new and Isaiah Davenport, a young carpenter from New England, achieved success as a builder in his adopted city. The world of 1820s Savannah is presented through the outstanding Federal-style home Davenport built for his family.

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Davenport's fine home was a tangible demonstration of his builder's skills as well as a residence for his growing family and the enslaved people who worked in the home and in his business. Furnished as it would have been

"It is noted in Savannah for the simplicity of its exterior and the charm of its interior." Walter C. Hartridge, Architectural Historian in the 1820s, the Davenport House Museum received a *Preserve America Presidential Award* for its authentic period restoration.

While the story of the original owner's time is compelling, the twentieth century history of the house

offers a chronicle of dilapidation, rescue and restoration. Passing out of Davenport family hands in the mid-19th century, the building became a tenement in an unsavory part of Savannah in the mid-20th century. Its survival

is a testament to the tenacity of seven Savannah women who came together in 1955 to save the structure from demolition. This action prompted the founding of the Historic Savannah Foundation, which has brought about an architectural renaissance through historic preservation in this coastal Georgia city.

Today, as an historic house museum, the Isaiah Davenport House provides a look at domestic life and aesthetics from an earlier time as it welcomes visitors from across the United States and around the world to historic Savannah, Georgia. For more information, visit our site: www.DavenportHouseMuseum.org





Master Bedroom