What are Burbank’s Historic Resources

U.S. Post Office, 125 East Olive Avenue
The U.S. Post Office was designed and built in 1937 by Gilbert Stanley Underwood, one of the most successful Los Angeles architects during the 1930s. The public lobby is decorated with two murals, depicting elements of Burbank’s economic base. Distinctive exterior features include an arched entry façade with a tile floor and exposed beam ceiling; recessed windows, some of which have wrought iron grates, others with rustic wooden shutters.

834 East Magnolia Boulevard
This two-story, wood framed farmhouse, built in 1910 is characterized by a wide variety of historical features: a front gabled roof with unenclosed overhangs, exposed roof rafters, triangular knee braces, decorative beams under its gables, a full width porch, a wide front porch, decorative vent covers, a poured concrete foundation, and original redwood siding.

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Portal of the Folded Wings, Valhalla Memorial Park
The Portal of the Folded Wings is the burial site for 13 aviation pioneers. It was built in 1924 as the entrance to Valhalla Memorial Park. The structure features four arches decorated with marble and mosaic ornamentation and sculpted figures.

Bob’s Big Boy, 4211 Riverside Drive
The original Bob’s Big Boy restaurant and sign were designated a California Point of Historic Interest in 1992. The restaurant was built in 1949 by local residents Scott MacDonald and Ward Albert, and is the oldest remaining Bob’s Big Boy restaurant in America. The large monumental sign is an integral part of the building’s design and is its most prominent feature.

City Hall, 275 East Olive Avenue
Burbank City Hall was designed and built by George W. Lutzi and William Allen in 1943. It was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1996 and features well preserved modern/art deco architecture, which was popular in the 1930s and 1940s.

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