

DOROTHY LINCOLN SMITH RESIDENCE
3228 East San Miguel Place
PARADISE VALLEY, AZ 85253
RECOMMENDATION TO TOWN COUNCIL
January 2024

On November 3, 2023, Dorothy Lincoln Smith presented her home to the Historical Advisory Committee for consideration to the Historical Property Recognition Program. This is a program to recognize historic properties within the Town of Paradise Valley based on one of 4 stated criteria.

1. A property must have been in existence before 1961 or at least 50 years old;
or
2. A property must represent an important part of the history of the Town through events/trends, a significant person, or architecture; or
3. A property must have historic integrity; or
4. A property must have a significant or important historical context to the Town's development.

The home was built in 1965 by Bell Construction and designed by the renowned architect Bennie Gonzales (1924-2008). The home was 1 of 2 model homes built by Bennie Gonzales in the San Miguel Estates neighborhood. In Architectural Works by Bennie Gonzalez, it is listed as the San Miguel Residential Development.

In her presentation, Mrs. Lincoln Smith described how Bennie Gonzales' style incorporated open and flexible spaces. The home showcases high arched windows in the living room and long arched windows along both sides of a large hallway. The home is painted in Navajo White which was his preferred color. In 1990, a studio was added to accommodate 60 seats for choir practice and some small performances. Stained glass windows were added by Dorothy's late husband Joe Lincoln but have since been removed to one of their children's homes. The home is amidst a desert setting with a cactus garden and a view of Piestewa Peak. Dorothy and her late husband Joe Lincoln purchased the home in May 1973.

Dorothy Lincoln Smith was a leading vocal artist with the Roger Wagner Chorale, the Los Angeles Masters Chorale, Bach and Madrigal Society, and the Phoenix Boys Choir under the direction of her late husband, Harvey K. Smith. Mrs. Lincoln Smith is the Herberger Award Honoree for ArtRageous 2023, the Phoenix Boys Choir honoree of 2023 and recipient of the Governors Arts Award in 2020.

As chair of the Town's Historical Advisory Committee, I would like to recommend the Lincoln Smith home located at 3228 East San Miguel Place to the Town Council for recognition in our Historic Property Program.



Front of 3228 E. San Miguel Place



Front courtyard with statue designed by Waddell



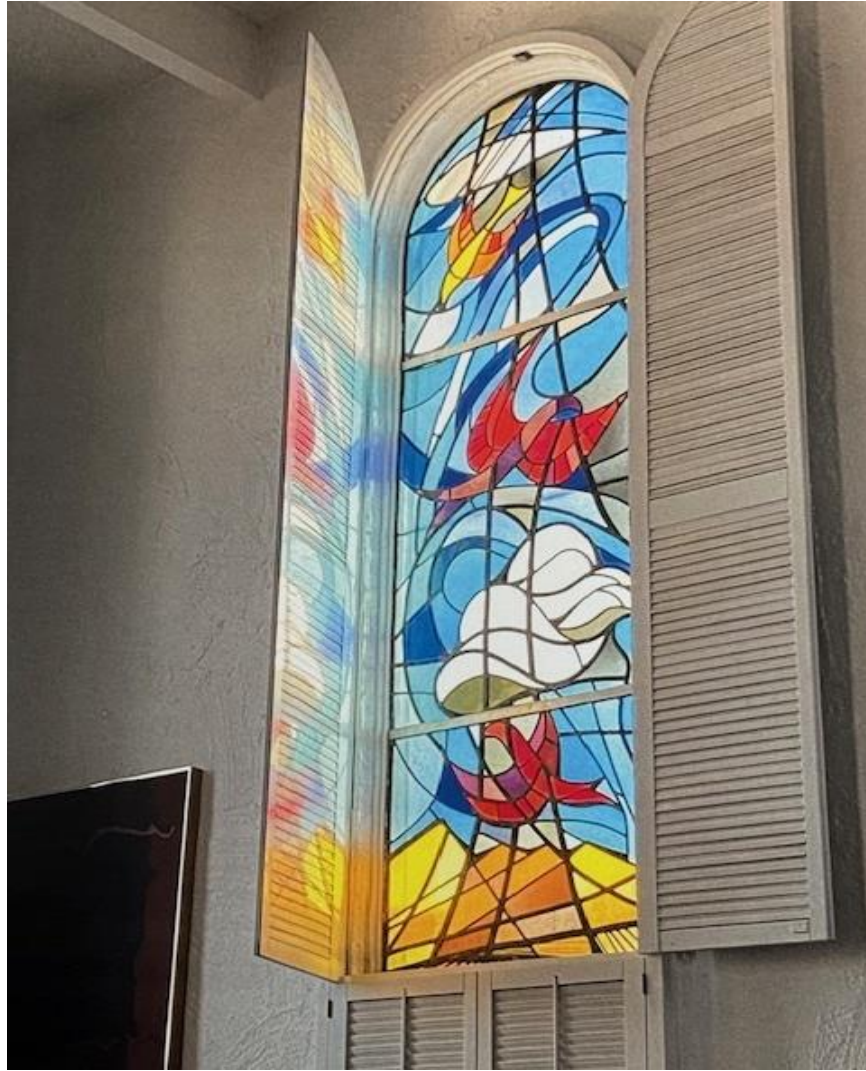
View from courtyard of front door and hall of arched windows



View of living room with high arched windows



Studio



Stained Glass designed by Joe Lincoln



Backyard with view of Piestewa Peak



Dorothy Lincoln Smith