

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

# National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

### 1. Name of Property

historic name N/A  
other names/site number Fisherman's Cottage

### 2. Location

street & number 138 Lameuse Street N/A  not for publication  
city, town Biloxi N/A  vicinity  
state Mississippi code MS county Harrison code 47 zip code 39530

### 3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
		Contributing	Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u> structures
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u> objects
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing: Historic Resources of Biloxi  
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register <sup>1\*</sup> 1  
*\*This building was automatically delisted in April 1986, when it was moved.*

### 4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this  nomination  request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria.  See continuation sheet.

Signature of certifying official \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
State or Federal agency and bureau \_\_\_\_\_

In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria.  See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
State or Federal agency and bureau \_\_\_\_\_

### 5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

entered in the National Register.  
 See continuation sheet.

determined eligible for the National Register.  See continuation sheet.

determined not eligible for the National Register.

removed from the National Register.

other, (explain:) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the Keeper

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Action



## 6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic: Single Dwelling

Vacant/Not in use

## 7. Description

Architectural Classification  
(enter categories from instructions)

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

Other: Creole cottage

Stick/Eastlake

foundation Brick

walls Weatherboard

roof Metal

other \_\_\_\_\_

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

Facing west onto Lameuse Street, the Fisherman's Cottage is a one-and-one-half story, L-plan, frame Creole cottage clad in shiplap siding and crowned by a corrugated metal gable roof. The cottage rests on brick piers infilled with lattice-work panels. The four-bay-wide main (west) facade is finished with baseboard trim and features single-leaf entrances in the outer two bays and two-over-two, double-hung sash windows in the inner bays. The entries contain single-panel glazed doors topped by single-light transoms, and the entrances and windows of this facade are trimmed with molded surrounds and corner blocks and are surmounted by denticulated cornice heads. This cottage features the most highly decorative exterior woodwork of any house in Biloxi. The undercut gallery dominating the main facade is composed of slender turned posts--which are joined by round-arched wooden panels--supporting an entablature that is enriched with small raised panels and a dentilled cornice. The arches are punctuated by keystones with drop pendants, while the spandrels are carved with sunburst relief patterns and the soffits are ornamented by rows of wooden discs. The gallery has a wooden deck and stairs and is enclosed by a balustrade having turned balusters and molded rails.

Openings throughout the remainder of the house consist of two-over-two, double-hung sash windows and single-panel glazed doors topped by single-light transoms, all surrounded by plain trim. An L-shaped porch wraps around the east and north elevations of the rear ell, but only the porch area along the north elevation is sheltered by a shed roof. The porch features a wooden deck and stairs, chamfered wooden posts and newels, and a plain balustrade.

The interior of the building--planned for future use as an architectural office--is of a simple plan: four rooms (two front and two rear) in the main body of the house and a single room in the rear ell. The rectangular rooms are virtually devoid of ornamentation, except for the molded baseboards and trim around the windows and doors.

The Fisherman's Cottage was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on May 18, 1984, as part of the Historic Resources of Biloxi nomination. At that time, the cottage (Inventory No. 15) was located at 262 East Bayview Avenue. The building was moved approximately one-half mile to Lameuse Street in April, 1986, at which time it was automatically delisted from the National Register. It was

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disassembled and moved in two sections: the main body and the rear wing. The integrity of the historic fabric was not compromised by the disassembly or the move. Although the integrity of location was lost by the move, the building retains integrity of design, setting, materials, workmanship and feeling.

The current setting of the house is a single lot about a block from Beach Boulevard. It is located in the historic downtown area of Biloxi, in a four-block area which contains nine National Register properties. Lameuse Street is one of two secondary streets leading from the beach to downtown. The lot size is approximately the same as the Bayview Avenue location, and the building is positioned in the same orientation to the lot and to the street. The distance from the water is about the same, but the current location is near the Sound while the Bayview Avenue location was near the Back Bay. The significance of the Fisherman's Cottage was not undermined by the relocation; in fact, the integrity of setting had been lost at the Bayview Avenue site as it had become surrounded by industrial development, both seafood factories and boatyards. The downtown area surrounding the Lameuse Street location was developed at the same time (late 1800s) as the Bayview area from which the building was moved. However, the significance of the Fisherman's Cottage was not and is not dependent on its site location--its significance is architectural.

Prior to the move, the corrugated metal roof of the Fisherman's Cottage was blown away during a hurricane, and the interior of the structure suffered water damage. The private owner of the building was taking no steps to protect or restore the building, and it was deteriorating progressively. The building was donated to the City of Biloxi in order to save it. It was advertised for sale, with restoration and reuse of the structure a condition of the transfer deed. The building was purchased by Lloyd Vogt, who planned to rehabilitate it into an architectural office; however, the Bayview Avenue site was not a feasible location for an office, and the building had to be relocated to a suitable commercial office location. The Lameuse Street site is such a location. The building relates very well to this environment, and its architectural significance is clearly expressed here.



8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally  statewide  locally

Applicable National Register Criteria  A  B  C  D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions)  A  B  C  D  E  F  G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Period of Significance

Significant Dates

Architecture

c. 1900

c. 1900

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

Fountain, Martin (attributed)

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The Fisherman's Cottage is of local significance in the area of architecture (Criterion C) as a good example of a Creole-type cottage. According to the Buildings of Biloxi: An Architectural Survey, it is the only Creole cottage in Biloxi that has the two entrance doors located in the outer bays of the main facade, and its highly decorative exterior woodwork is unusual in the area and is unsurpassed in the city. The fine Eastlake features of the front gallery include slender turned posts; round-arched wooden panels with sunburst relief patterns, keystones with drop pendants, and soffits ornamented by rows of wooden discs; and an entablature composed of a frieze enriched with small raised panels and a dentilled cornice. In addition, the openings of the main facade are surrounded by molded trim with corner blocks and surmounted by denticulated cornice heads. The Fisherman's Cottage was individually listed in the National Register of Historic Places on May 18, 1984, as part of the Historic Resources of Biloxi nomination but was automatically delisted in April, 1986, when it was moved approximately one-half mile. Although the building lost integrity of location when it was moved, it retains integrity of design, setting, materials, workmanship and feeling, and qualifies for listing because of its architectural significance.

Constructed circa 1900, the Fisherman's Cottage is believed to have been built by Martin Fountain, a local carpenter, who is known to have occupied the house in 1905 (The Buildings of Biloxi: An Architectural Survey [Biloxi, MS: The City of Biloxi, 1976], p. 115).

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**9. Major Bibliographical References**

The Buildings of Biloxi: An Architectural Survey. Biloxi, MS: The City of Biloxi, 1976.  
Mississippi Department of Archives & History, Jackson, National Register File.  
Harrison County. Historic Resources of Biloxi.

Previous documentation on file (NPS):  
 preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested  
 previously listed in the National Register  
 previously determined eligible by the National Register  
 designated a National Historic Landmark  
 recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # \_\_\_\_\_  
 recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # \_\_\_\_\_

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Primary location of additional data:

State historic preservation office  
 Other State agency  
 Federal agency  
 Local government  
 University  
 Other

Specify repository:  
\_\_\_\_\_

**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of property less than one acre

UTM References

A 16 3187310 31361371610  
Zone Easting Northing  
C \_\_\_\_\_

B \_\_\_\_\_  
Zone Easting Northing  
D \_\_\_\_\_

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Verbal Boundary Description

The western 80 feet of Lot 2, Block 40, Downtown Revitalization Area, Central Business District, Biloxi, Mississippi. The property encompasses the width of Lot 2 along Lameuse Street and extends the length of the Fisherman's Cottage, which is approximately 80 feet from Lameuse Street.

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Boundary Justification

The boundary of the nominated site was drawn to include the Fisherman's Cottage and its immediate surroundings.

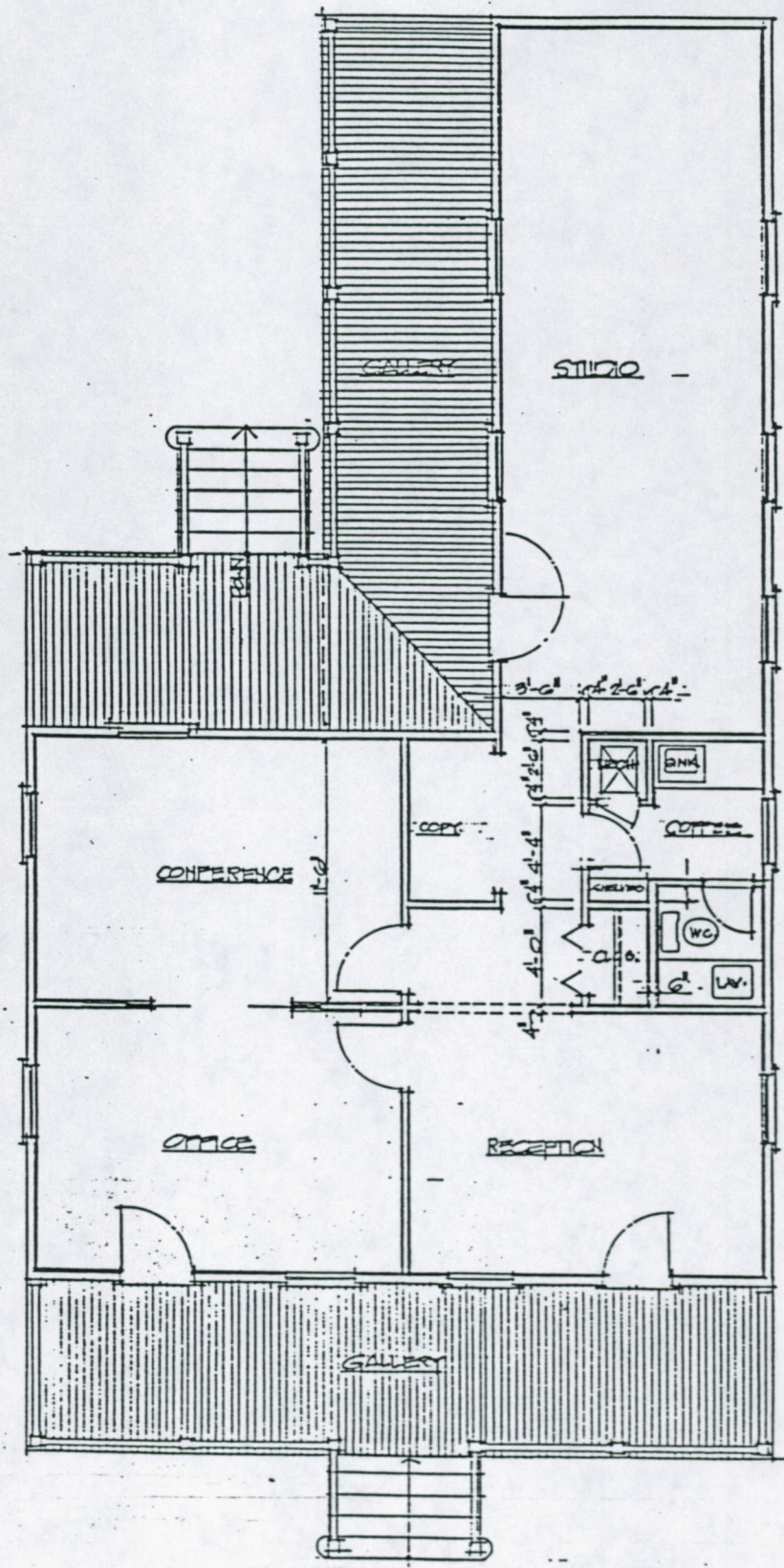
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**11. Form Prepared By**

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FISHERMAN'S COTTAGE  
Biloxi, Mississippi



FLOOR PLAN

SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"

DATE	
REVISION	

PROJECT NO.	
LOG NO.	
DRAWN BY	L. VOST
DRAWING TITLE	

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Fisherman's Cottage  
Harrison County, Mississippi

**Amendment for Purposes of Delisting Property From The National Register of Historic Places**

Fisherman's Cottage, Harrison County, Mississippi was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on 18 May 1984 under the cover of the Historic Resources of Biloxi multiple resource area nomination. The house was moved in April 1986 resulting in delisting. An individual nomination was filed in 1995 and the house was listed individually on 9 March 1990. Since that date, the house has lost the qualities which originally caused it to be listed. The house was destroyed on August 29, 2005 by Hurricane Katrina and should be delisted.

Resource  
Fisherman's Cottage

Address  
138 Lameuse Street

Biloxi, MS

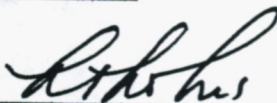
Section 11:

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Date: February 5, 2008

Section 2:

Certification



State Historic Preservation Officer

Date: 5-19-2008







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OBLIQUE / FRONT, view fm west (Lameuse St)

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Biloxi, Harrison Co, MS

Lloyd Vogt

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Miss. Dept. Archives & History

Rear elevation, view fm NORTHEAST

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INTERIOR, HALL TO FRONT DOOR

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