

Learning Places Fall 2015

SITE REPORT

Farragut houses & Vinegar hill site visit



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INTRODUCTION

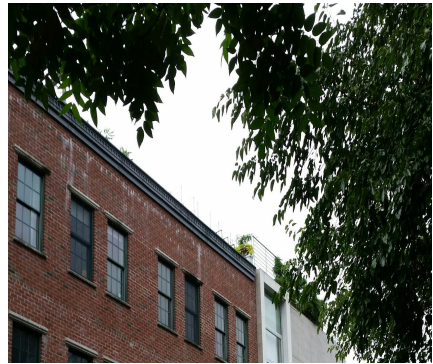
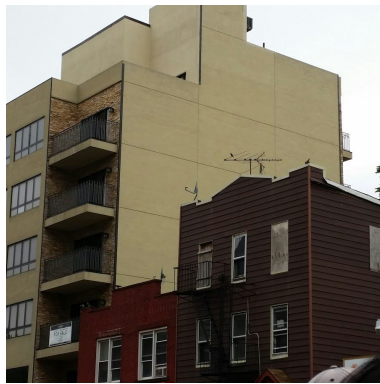
When on our visit we viewed the area nearby the Farragut houses called Dumbo and we were able to see how some history was still there like how they kept the roads made with blocks, and houses that were built that we could tell were older than most because the architectural details about them. After we walked to the Farragut houses and we examined the building and took note of details.

PRE-VISIT REFLECTION

I have not looked up any information about the Farragut housing so that when we arrive on the site tomorrow I can have a fresh intake of the area, this will also be my first time really looking at a building in an architectural way so I am going to try to notice the little details on it. I have only ever done light sketches of objects so I am looking forward to trying to sketch the building tomorrow while taking notes of anything that seems like a major detail.

SITE DOCUMENTATION (photos/sketches)







SITE OBSERVATIONS

1. historical street signs are brown
2. large parks in front of builds
3. glass door ways
4. bricked streets down dumbo
5. not very lively (maybe due to the rain & time of visit)
6. a supermarket across the street and delis
7. no parking lot

QUANTITATIVE DATA

Subject	Data
number of buildings	10
number of floors	14
number of apartments	1,389

QUESTIONS AND HYPOTHESIS

QUESTIONS:

1. why build parks in this area?
2. does crime happen often in the area?
3. why was this housing named after david glasgow farragut?

HYPOTHESIS:

1. to give a friendly vibe.
2. yes, crime happens.
3. for his accomplishment in becoming first admiral in the navy bay.

SUMMARY / POST VISIT REFLECTION

After going to the site with a fresh look on things i see the historical aspect of the dumbo area the building designs and the bricked streets and navy yard, being so close to dumbo and the navy yard it feels like the farragut housing holds a historical value as well. The visit was not what i expected, the area looked clean and nice, it seemed that the people who lived there got by ok but some people did not like the landlord who we saw at the start of our visit. I did not expect to see a school right across the street and i think that it was put there so the people would behave in a nice manner for the kids coming out of the school and going to the parks in front of the buildings.

REFERENCES TO EXPLORE HYPOTHESIS

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