

INDIVIDUAL DATA SHEET

Property Name Blackwell-Paisley Cabin Property Owner Rick McKinney
 Location Suits-Us Drive, Bella Vista Address 609 Olive
 Construction Date 1924 Survey No. 1676 Fayetteville, AR 72701

DESCRIPTION

The Blackwell-Paisley Cabin is a rectangular gabled cottage facing west on Suits-Us Drive. A gabled carport-porch joins the south facade and projects forward toward the street. The rear inner portion of the carport has been enclosed with screening forming a sheltered siting area. An outside stairway descends from the screened porch to a lower bedroom at the rear. Bedrooms at both levels are enclosed on three sides by screened openings. A fieldstone fireplace is located on the north facade. The board-and-batten exterior sheathing is typical of most of the cottages of this area.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Criterion: A, CArea of significance: Recreation and Architecture

The Blackwell-Paisley Cabin, built in 1924, is one of many Bella Vista structures built by contractor Roy Cunningham. Still owned by the original family, its form and details remain unaltered. Furniture of the interior was built by craftsman Wesley Clark. Beds are of rough-sawn lumber and chairs are made of unfinished tree-branches with woven backs and bottoms, adding to the unpretentious organic character of the resort ambience. Only a small percentage of what was originally over five-hundred cabins at Bella Vista remain, and only a handful of these survive virtually unaltered. The Blackwell-Paisley cabin is one of these.

Acreage less than 1 acreVerbal Boundary Description Lot 72, Block 20Quadrangle Name Bentonville North, Ark.-Mo. Quadrangle Scale 1:24000UTM Reference: Zone 15 Easting 389480 Northing 4032170

