



**SPACES** Saving and Preserving Arts & Cultural Environments  
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office use: USGS 7.5 \_\_\_\_\_  
 State Ohio  
 Site CHATEAU LAROCHE

**ENVIRONMENT FIELD SURVEY FORM**

SPACES is a nonprofit arts organization concerned with the identification, documentation and preservation of America's contemporary folk art environments. This form has been prepared by SPACES as part of a national survey of environments. It is intended to serve as a basic information sheet on an individual site. Any additional information may be added or attached to this sheet. Fill in as much as you can. Please send SPACES a copy of this form, along with xeroxes of any photographs or printed materials.

Please attach overview photo <sup>COULD USE PHOTO - HAVE FORWARDED.</sup>

Site Map: Please sketch aerial view of environment  
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direction of camera \_\_\_\_\_  
 date of photo \_\_\_\_\_

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**ARTIST**

Name HARRY ANDREWS Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address CHATEAU LAROCHE P.O. BOX 135 City/State/Zip LOVELAND, OHIO 45140

Birthdate 1890 Birthplace NEW YORK Date of death 1981 Place of Death LOVELAND, OH.

Is the artist still living on the site? O yes  no Is the artist still working on the site? O yes  no

Biographical information (schooling, occupation, awards & recognition including dates)

IN 1916 HE GRADUATED FROM COLGATE UNIVERSITY AFTER STUDYING GREEK, ROMAN, AND EGYPTIAN ARCHITECTURE. DURING WWI HE ATTENDED TOULOUSE UNIVERSITY. RETURNING TO THE U.S. HE BECAME A SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER.

Local knowledgeable contact: NICHOLAS KURZYNSKI Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address CHATEAU LAROCHE, P.O. BOX 135, LOVELAND, OHIO 45140

Sources of additional biographical information \_\_\_\_\_

**ENVIRONMENT**

Name(s) of site CHATEAU LAROCHE OR LOVELAND CASTLE

Dates of construction 1929 to 1969 O Factual date  Estimated date

Street Address 12025 SHORE DRIVE Town/City LOVELAND

County HAMILTON State/Zip Code OHIO 45140

If located in a rural area, give clear directions to site from major highway THE CHATEAU IS NORTH OF LOVELAND, ON THE WEST BANK OF THE LITTLE MIAMI RIVER

O Address not for publication O Address may be publicized

Is the site open to the public? O yes O no If yes, state hours and fees AS OF 1977 10 AM - 10 PM DONATION REQUESTED.

Does the artist encourage visitors? O yes O no N/A

NEED PHOTO

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SPACES Field Survey Form

ENVIRONMENT (continued)

Description of surrounding area:  rural  suburban  urban  other \_\_\_\_\_

Description of environment:  dwelling  structure  object  garden  other \_\_\_\_\_

Present use of site:  residence  business  other \_\_\_\_\_

PRESENT CONDITION (check appropriate line and explain choice \_\_\_\_\_)

Excellent (structurally sound, well-maintained)  Good (structurally sound, needs routine maintenance)

Fair (needs repairs other than routine maintenance)

Deteriorating (needs major structural repairs; not a reference to weathering objects)

Ruins (some residual evidence)  Destroyed (no evidence of site)

Preservation threats to site; check and explain choice \_\_\_\_\_

Weather  Vandalism  Deterioration of site or materials  Inappropriate alteration

Long range plans for area (e.g., redevelopment)  Other

Description of site (Include materials used, general appearance, number of acres, type of terrain, landscape features.

Attach other sheets if necessary)

CHATEAU LAROCHE is 96' by 65' (one tower is 36' high). OVERLOOKING THE LITTLE MIAMI RIVER THE CHATEAU IS CONSTRUCTED OF FLAT FIELD STONES WITH AN INTERIOR OF <sup>HAND-MADE</sup> CONCRETE BRICKS. RESEMBLING A MEDIEVAL CASTLE, THE CHATEAU HAS WALLS 18" THICK, FORMAL GARDENS, AND A MOAT. THE PROPERTY IS ONE AND A HALF ACRES, LOCATED ON A HILLSIDE.

What is the local attitude toward the site (give sources for conclusion) \_\_\_\_\_

Present owner/custodian KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN TRAIL Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

CHATEAU LAROCHE  
Address P.O. Box 135, LOVELAND, OH 45140

Other local persons, organizations involved with the site (Name, Address, Telephone) \_\_\_\_\_

Existing sources of information about the site (oral history, surveys, books, articles)

ANDREWS, HARVEY 1969 CHATEAU LAROCHE; WAMPLER, JAN 1977 ALL THEIR OWN NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATION FORM; STERN, JANE + MICHAEL 1977 AMAZING AMERICA

Potential sources of site information (e.g. local newspaper, historical society, college) \_\_\_\_\_

Is there other work off site?  yes  no If yes, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL SITE INFORMATION (awards, newspaper articles, inclusion in other surveys, comments)

ELKINS, BOB 1979 "HARRY, HIS CASTLE STAND IN DEFIANCE OF DEATH, TIME" THE CINCINNATI ENQUIRER, Nov. 18; CINCINNATI POST AND TIMES STAR, APRIL 17

Preparer of this form /organization CYNTHIA PANSING - SPACES

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Site photographer \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Please feel free to duplicate this form and/or to add any other information.

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