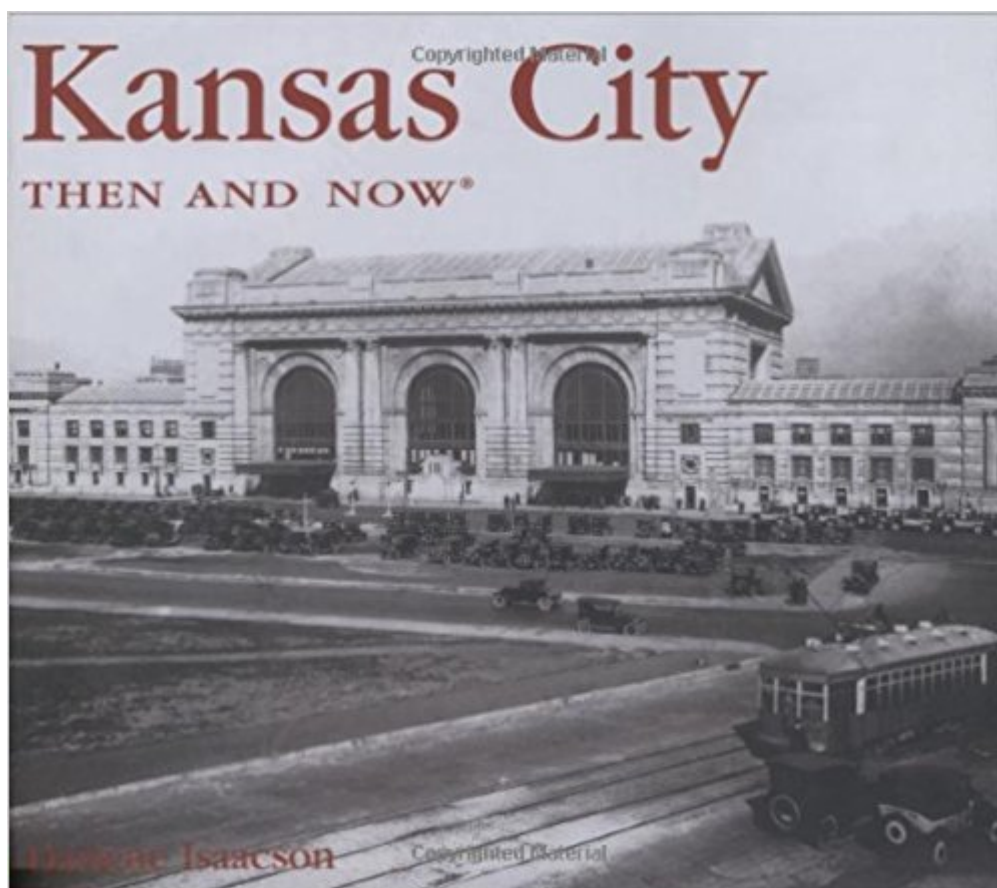


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Kansas City Then And Now (Then & Now Thunder Bay)



Synopsis

After rejecting proposed names like "Rabbitville" and "Possum Trot," civic leaders of Missouri's biggest trading post named their settlement the "Town of Kansas" in honor of the native Kansa Indians. That was then; today, Kansas City is said to have more fountains than any city in the world except for Rome. See for yourself how much Kansas City's changed over the years in the latest title from the best-selling series, *Then and Now*. Seventy-nine pairs of photographs illustrate then-and-now images of popular locations like the Harry S. Truman Residence, the Hannibal Bridge, and the Coates House Hotel. Stop by Dick's Down Home Cook Shop back then and today and you'll witness major inner city renovations. A magnificent panoramic view of landmark sculpture "The Scout" overlooking the city skyline and Penn Valley Park gives you a tremendous glimpse into the history of KC. The Liberty Memorial, erected to honor the heroes of WWI, towers over the city at 217 feet tall. Discover how Kansas City looked when the monument was dedicated, and see how it looks today. This is a tour you won't want to miss!

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Customer Reviews

Darlene Isaacson, a former teacher, has lived in Kansas City for over forty years. She organizes guided tours of historical buildings in Kansas City and is co-author of *Kansas City in Vintage Postcards* (Arcadia Publishing, 2003).

Nostalgic remembrances of a beautiful city.

I love this book. I've been living in KC for about 9 years now so I wanted to see what different parts of the city used to look like so this book is perfect for that. Plus it looks great on my coffee table! :) There are two more KC "Then and Now" books but they are quite a bit more expensive and I'm not sure why. This is the first one in the series.

Good purchase for my reader.

Met expectations

Darlene Isaacson chose a dynamic picture of Kansas City Station for her book cover. Who could resist looking inside? Once there, the reader is captured. It is that interesting to anyone interesting in comparative architecture and history as well as the thrill of viewing the pictures. Richard W.

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Internet has better photos and better information. Some of the write ups were simply irresponsible. Too bad because I love local history.

I bought this book when it first came out and found some Major errors in the building histories and in the current descriptions of buildings. Obviously this is one of those slap it together and get it on the shelf kind of Not very serious looks at a city kind of books. There are several examples but one that sticks out is the Kansas City Masonic temple located at 9th and Harrison built in 1911 and still being used by the Freemasons. According to the author it is vacant falling down and will be gone soon! In her "Now" picture the lights are on at the front of the building! Just sloppy work the sign of a true armature. The story according to the Masons is the building has been continually occupied since 1911 and there are currently 8 Masonic bodies who meet at 9th and Harrison and the building is currently under going renovations in preparation for the buildings 100 Year anniversary. Many great names of Kansas City History have been members there and the membership have plans well into the future for that building.

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