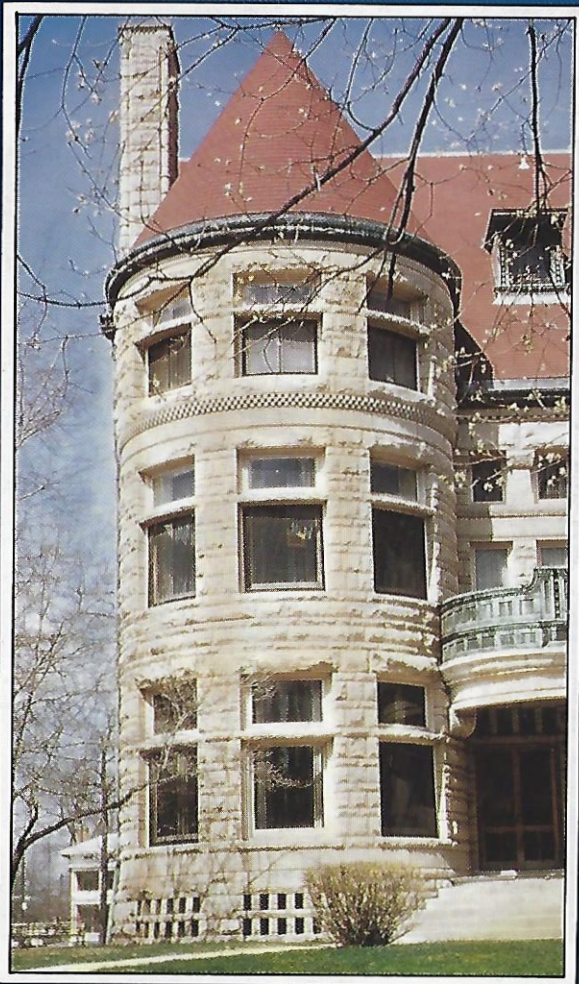


Catch On To *Quincy* Illinois

Quincy Museum of Natural History and Art



Welcome to the Quincy Museum of Natural History and Art

The home of the Quincy Museum of Natural History and Art is the Newcomb-Stillwell mansion, completed in 1891. The great stone building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Its restoration and preservation is guided by an active museum association.

The mansion's forceful design set American architectural standards in the 1890's. Its massive exterior features leafy carved ornamentation and window transom bars of solid stone. Building materials of contrasting colors and textures contribute to its bold facade.

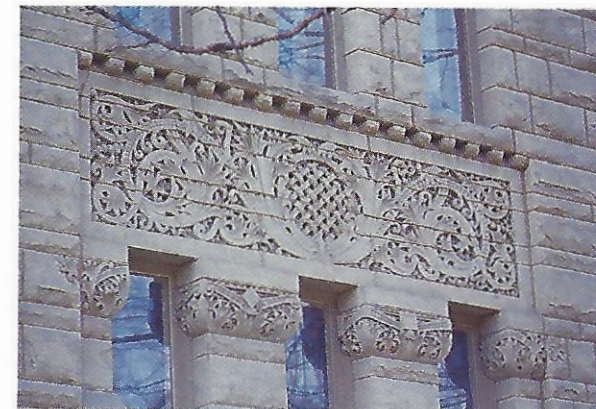


After donation by Stillwell family to Quincy College in 1941, the house was used as a dormitory. The Quincy Museum of Natural History and Art acquired the property in 1980 and has restored the first floor to the style of the 1890s, the second and third floors being used for Museum display areas.

Exhibits include American Indian artifacts, art objects, displays of fossils, minerals and sea shells, African animal specimens, ancient Mexican pottery, miniature circus and a children's discovery room.



Great hall fireplace with carved mantle.



Detail of exterior stone carving on the west side of first floor. This is an example of the stone carvings found from ground level to chimney top.