

## East Side

# Area a 7/23/74 Landmark

The City Landmarks Preservation Commission today creates the Carnegie Hill Historic District on the Upper East Side, extending protective status to some of the city's finest residential architecture.

The Commission also designates three Manhattan structures as landmarks and southeastern tip of Central Grand Army Plaza, at the Park, as a scenic landmark.

The new irregularly shaped Carnegie Hill District embraces 92d St. to 94th St. between Madison and Park Aves., and 90th St. to 92d St. between Madison and Park Aves. The area takes its name from the Carnegie Mansion on 91st St. and 5th Av., which was one of the first fashionable residences to be built uptown and was itself given landmark status last February.

As an historic district, all changes in the facades of the area's buildings must be approved by the Commission. With the designation, the Commission hopes to preserve the district's townhouses and brownstones, whose styles range from the Neo-Greek of the 1870's to the Neo-Federal of the 1920's and 1930's.

The Carnegie Hill buildings are considered some of the outstanding accomplishments of New York's most prestigious architectural firms over that 50 year period.

In addition, the Commission also considers designating as landmarks ten individual buildings adjacent to the Carnegie Hill District. These structures include townhouses and apartment buildings, along with a school, the Lycee Francals de New York and an Episcopalian church retreat.

### Art Nouveau

The new scenic landmark Grand Army Plaza, at 5th Av. between 58th St. and 60th St., is known as a fine example of the City Beautiful Movement which flourished at the turn of the century.

The individual buildings given landmark status include two West Side and one East Side structures. The two West Side buildings are the New York Society for Ethical Culture, built in 1909-1910 at 2 W. 64th St., one of the few Art Nouveau buildings in the city, and the First Church of Christ Scientist at 1 W. 96th St., an outstanding Beaux-Arts classical structure built in 1899-1903.

The other landmark is a French Classical-style house at 11 E. 70th St., built in 1909-1910.