

Wright House

401 Cannon Lane

1927

Spanish Colonial Revival

**Status: Unrecognized
Significant Property**



A superb example of Spanish Colonial Revival architecture, this two-story residence is a prominent landmark in the Skyline Park neighborhood of 1920s and 1930s housing. Built at the top of a knoll on a large corner lot with an expansive setback, the house was featured in this tract's development in the late 1920s. The design has many custom features including the parabolic picture window on the west side, the Monterey-style balcony and projecting second story supported by heavy corbels, and the distinctive rotunda at the main entrance. Remodeled extensively in 2015, the house retains its original design elements.

The 16-room house was built for Alex G. Wright and his wife, Alma, for \$30,000; it was one of many residences that was built by contractor P. N. Schmoker in the Skyline Park neighborhood in the mid-1920s.

Alex Wright owned a gravel and rock business, the Orange County Rock Company. The Wright family lived in the house until 1937. Later in 1950, the Hugh Bridgford family took up residence here. By living at this residence for more than 60 years, the Bridgford family is more commonly associated with the property. Hugh Bridgford, was the founder of the Bridgford Food Corporation, which still produces frozen and refrigerated food products at its headquarters plant, constructed in north Anaheim in 1943.