LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

• Gain experience with historic landscape preservation process

• Explore solutions and strategies for valuing and developing historic landscape sites

• Encourage support of historic landscape preservation initiatives through interpretive design
What does historic preservation mean to you?

What does it mean to the client, Whistler House Museum of Art?
DETERMINING AN APPROPRIATE TREATMENT:

Preservation
Rehabilitation
Restoration
Reconstruction

Interpretation
DEVELOP A VISION:

- Sculpture
- Program
- Safety
- Amenities
- Place and Character
STUDIO STRUCTURE:

- Site Visit/Interview
- Visual Book
- Site Analysis/Assessment
- Study Model
- Schematic Design
HISTORY OF LOWELL:

- Francis Cabot Lowell
- Industrial Revolution
- Planned industrial city
- The dam and nearly six miles of canals
- The Beat Generation writers: Jack Kerouac
By the 1840's, Lowell was the second largest city in New England and the industrial center of America.
LOWELL TIMELINE 1830 TO 1834:

- 1830 Lowell population 6,477
- 1830 Boston & Lowell Railroad is incorporated.
- 1830 Middlesex, Tremont, and Suffolk Manufacturing Companies are established
- 1830 Fire Department is established
- 1831 St. Patrick’s Church is dedicated.
- 1831 Lawrence Manufacturing Company is incorporated.
- 1831 Railroad Bank incorporated.
- 1831 July 5 Paul Moody dies.
- 1832 The Lowell Bleachery is incorporated; District schools abolished.
- 1833 Lowell Irish Benevolent Society is started.
- 1833 Police Court is established.
- 1834 Lieutenant George Whistler became engineer to the proprietors of Locks and Canals at Lowell.
- 1834 “Mill Girls” strike
- 1834 Belvidere Manufacturing Company is formed.
WHISTLER’S LOWELL 1835-1836:

• 1835 Town of Lowell supports the creation of separate Catholic schools.
• 1835 Boston & Lowell Railroad is started.
• 1835 Boott Cotton Mills is incorporated.
• 1835 Tri-Weekly Courier is published
• 1835 Almshouse established
• 1835 Death of Rev. Enoch W. Freeman and Captain Phineas Whiting.

• 1836 April 1, Lowell is incorporated as a city.
• 1836 Lowell Dispensary founded (early health services)
• 1836 Lowell population 17,663, among which 2,661 are listed as “aliens” and 44 “colored”.
• 1837 British immigrant James B. Francis becomes Chief Engineer of the Proprietors of Locks and Canals.