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## Art Deco Architecture in Queens Lecture

**Flushing, Queens, April 20<sup>th</sup> 2016:** On Sunday April 10th, Charles Hovanic, a graduate student of Columbia University in the Graduate School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation came to give a lecture at the Kingsland Homestead. Mr. Hovanic gave an interesting presentation that informed visitors of the history and design of the Art Deco style. He showed a PowerPoint that featured 50 Art Deco buildings throughout the borough of Queens. As Mr. Hovanic explained in detail the design elements of the building, he also gave personal anecdotes of his travel experience to each site.

The lecture was an engaging presentation that gave insight to the history of each building as they changed over time as well as details of their unique Art Deco motifs. One of the honored guests was Roberta Nusim, president of the Art Deco Society of New York. She brought warm greetings and expressed appreciation for the work being done by the Queens Historical society. Ms. Nusim was proud of her former intern Mr. Hovanic for continuing his research in Art Deco. As part of the Queens Historical Society's continuing Sunday lecture series, the event was followed by a lively Q and A that came to a close with delicious refreshments and hospitality.

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