

# KONK LIFE'S REAL ESTATE in the KEYS

## A home with a history – and so much more!

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It's not often that a property with as storied a past as 724 Eaton St. comes along.

Last sold in 1920, the estate has been the residence of former county mayor, Shirley Freeman and her partner, Harvey Server, for decades, and recalls the glamour and grandeur of a by-gone period of Key West history.

Known as the Curry-Freeman House, this residence was custom-built by a prominent seafaring merchant and ship-builder in 1865 and is one of the oldest private residences in the Florida Keys.

The three-bedroom, three-bathroom main house was constructed by Old World craftsmen using only the finest materials available, at a time when Key West flourished as one of the richest cities in the country.

Located on a 14,208 square-foot lot, this unique wood-frame mansion boasts immaculately preserved features, including rounded moldings around many door frames and antique fixtures. The home's elegant furnishings may be negotiated with the home's current owner. Even as a palpable sense of history embraces visitors entering the home a central air-conditioning system and large laundry room address the practical needs of such a property in the modern age,

Over the years, many political and social functions have taken place under the 12-foot high ceilings in the



This impressive residence is one of the oldest single family homes in the Keys. Photo: Contributed

grand ballroom, as well as in the dining and sitting areas, as befitting a family whose members have always been--and remain--prominent pillars of the community.

Sited a good distance back from Eaton Street on its triple lot, this stately home is quiet, and has withstood the ravages of time, with no apparent deferred maintenance pending.

With its prominent double front porches, ornate gingerbread, vibrant colors and elegant woodwork, this residence is a beloved island icon.

The main house has plenty of space

for family and guests, while the detached 1959 "carriage house" building located at the far end of the rear garden contains three legal units, offering three apartments--an additional four bedrooms and three baths. These rooms are perfect for guests, staff or for continued use as a rental investment.

In total, there is almost 6000 sq.ft. of luxury living space on this unique property.

A private museum dedicated to motorcycles is currently housed in the two-bay garage.

And in another peaceful corner of the property, the spacious back porch of the main house overlooks a park like setting. Mindful of the historic structure, the covered space respectfully creates the indoor/outdoor lifestyle Key West is famous for.

Palms swaying in tropical breezes, flowering trees, and wide-open private space all serve to create a social hub, a place compelling time out for relaxation over drinks with friends and family. Or, even a dinner party for 100 or more of your closest friends if that's your pleasure.



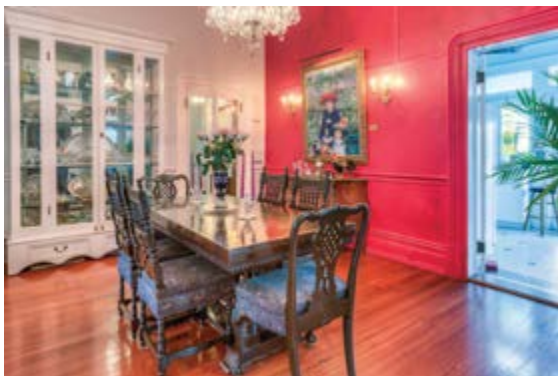
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The spacious grounds are dotted with mature landscaping.  
*Photo: Contributed*



At the rear of the gardens is a second building, with three legal apartments inside. *Photo: Contributed*



High ceilings, hardwood floors, and unusual rounded mouldings are cherished architectural features of this magnificent house. *Photo: Contributed*



A large and unusual collection of art and furniture is available to be negotiated with an interested buyer. *Photo: Contributed*



The rear patio is covered, and is a great place for entertaining, or just relaxing with a cold drink.  
*Photo: Contributed*



# KONK LIFE'S FEATURED HOMES

## Mahogany House

1401 Newton St., Key West

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Mahogany House, an original Conch House located in a quiet corner of the Meadows, is now available as *four unique 1 bedroom condos*. All with private entrances and outdoor areas, and many updates. With new roof and paint, the low condo fees make this the perfect affordable home or Snow-bird nest!

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A large ballroom in the main house has been the site of numerous important civic functions over the years. Photo: Contributed

Long considered the queen of Eaton Street, this incomparable residence is unique and available for showing to qualified buyers.

Act now to purchase this living piece of Key West history!

*The property at 724 Eaton St. has been listed at \$5,840,000.*  
*For more information, or to set up a showing, contact Listing Agent Everett Watkins at 305-304-4269 or by email at*

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## 724 Eaton Street, Key West



### \$5,840,000

Dating back to 1865, the Curry-Freeman house is one of the oldest private residences in the Florida Keys. Custom-built by a prominent seafaring merchant and ship-builder, the mansion was constructed by Old World craftsmen using only the finest materials. Imposing double front porches, ornate gingerbread, vibrant colors and elegant woodwork help create this island icon. Grand public spaces, including an historic ballroom, graceful entryway and formal dining room have 12-foot ceilings, elaborate millwork and dramatic décor. The main house has plenty of space for family and guests with three bedrooms and three baths. Located in the rear of the property is a "Carriage House." Circa 1959, this detached building houses three legal apartments with additional four bedrooms and three baths. Old world charm, peerless craftsmanship, amazing history and tropical splendor live harmoniously at 724 Eaton Street.


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## Featured Home Locations



## Featured Homes — Viewed by Appointment

Map #	Address	#BR/BA	Listing Agent	Phone Number
	1401 Newton St. Key West Unit 1 1/1, Unit 2 1/1, Unit 3 1/1, Unit 4 1/1		ChelleBe Blades, Realty Executives Key West	305-394-4750
	1604 Duncan St., Key West	1BR/1BA	Michelle Clauson Kirby, ReMax Keys Connection	305-849-1276
	6800 Maloney Avenue #17, Harbor Shores	2BR/1BA	Jon Seibert, Century 21 Schwartz Realty Janine Seibert, Century 21 Schwartz Realty	305-433-0552 305-433-1911
	109 Front Street #214, Key West	3BR/2.5BA	Mike Caron, Keller Williams Key West Compass Realty	508-269-8565 305-296-7078
	1126 Olivia Street #421, Key West	3BR/2.5BA	Mike Caron, Keller Williams Key West Compass Realty	508-269-8565 305-296-7078
	22 Whistling Duck Lane, Key West Golf Club	2BR/1BA	Jon Seibert, Century 21 Schwartz Realty Janine Seibert, Century 21 Schwartz Realty	305-433-0552 305-433-1911
	1119 Whitehead Street, Old Town	3BD/2.5BA	Derek Epperly & Jenna Blackwell Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Knight & Gardner Realty	305-923-4833 305-393-6573
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At Home in Key West	Century 21 Schwartz Realty	16/04/19	\$449,000	\$435,000	90	Golf Club Dr	1997	Townhouse	2	No	4
Realty Executives Key West	Realty Executives Key West	17/04/19	\$399,000	\$389,200	1401	Newton St, #1	1933	Condo	1	No	2
BHHS Knight & Gardner Realty	BHHS Knight & Gardner Realty	18/04/19	\$245,000	\$245,000	1801	Roosevelt	2018	Boat Slip	0	Yes	2
Century 21 All Keys	BHHS Knight & Gardner Realty	19/04/19	\$859,000	\$850,000	1800	Atlantic	1984	Condo	2	Yes	2
Century 21 All Keys	Century 21 Schwartz	22/04/19	\$849,000	\$814,200	1800	Atlantic Blvd, C-337	1984	Condo	2	Yes	2
Truman & Co.	Truman & Co.	17/04/19	\$879,000	\$865,000	1215	South St	1905	Single Fam	2	No	1
Ocean Sotheby's International	Ocean Sotheby's International	18/04/19	\$1,999,000	\$1,975,000	1030	Fleming St	1938	Single Fam	4	No	1
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BHHS Knight & Gardner Realty	Beach Club Brokers	19/04/19	\$890,000	\$825,000	326	Virginia St	1928	Single Fam	3	No	0
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