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Van Earl James purchased his Auburn Gresham Bungalow on South Morgan Street in January of 2001. The bungalow, designed by architect Jacques J. Kocher and built by S. Munson in 1920, was part of a decade-long building boom that saw a tripling of the population of Auburn Gresham to over 57,000. Kocher, who worked for the Chicago Board of Education, also designed numerous apartment buildings on the South Side.

The bungalow's first owner was Paul C. Lorenz who purchased the home for \$10,000.00. Paul sold it to Mary J. Kribs in 1927. Van purchased it from Isaiah C. Grover who had lived there since 1965.



In the process of shopping for his bungalow, Van became familiar with the Historic Chicago Bungalow Initiative and used the HCBA's resources to research Chicago bungalows. Armed with this knowledge, he eventually discovered the gracious side entrance bungalow that he chose to buy.



The elegant entrance of the house faces onto a long, wide driveway that runs along the side of the house, from the street to the backyard and garage. Next to the entry stairs is a large curved window bay.

Inside, original tile work graces the entryway and French doors lead to a formal dining room. Art glass windows



frame the original brick fireplace.

Mr. James certified his bungalow in June of 2005.