

Jefferson Park Historic Preservation Overlay Zone

Chapter Two: Windows

Double hung windows. In Jefferson Park the top sash of original double hung windows ***always*** has lugs cut into an ogee shape (S-shape). The upper sash is also the sash that, especially in front, has muntins in varying patterns from house to house. If the top sash of a double hung window does not have lugs, then it is a new window. Typically all original windows in Jefferson Park are single glazed and the sash is made of douglas fir.



These front windows have fixed central windows that share the same muntin pattern as the double hung windows on the side. The windows in bedrooms and kitchen are often double hung and plain with no muntins.



The central fixed window could have a transom window on top. The bottom left example has two fixed windows in the center with two casement windows on the side (a “one over four”). Or the large central window could have muntins in a transom like shape (see bottom right)..



More casement style windows. When there are more than two windows, the central window(s) are typically fixed. Bottom right is a “one over three”.



Casement style windows when they appear on the front of the house are often repeated on the side of the house, in the living or dining rooms. Typically windows are consistent from room to room, i.e., a room will only have casement style windows, or only have double hung windows (not a mixture of the two).



Leaded glass was widely used in Jefferson Park, particularly in the transoms of the front windows. The pattern is usually rectilinear (squares or diamonds), but it can also be lozenges and sometimes fanciful.



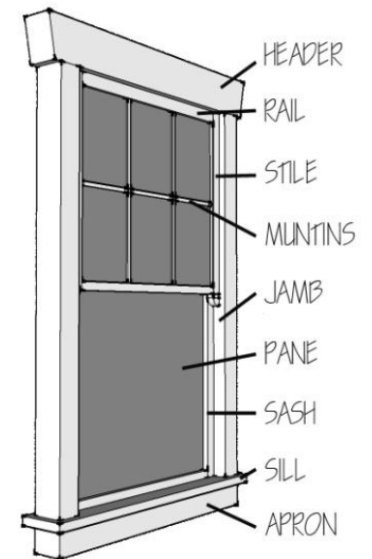
Sometimes leaded glass can be found on casement windows and sometimes in the horizontal, rectangular fixed windows on the side of the house.



Stained glass was sometimes used for the horizontal fixed window on the side of the house.



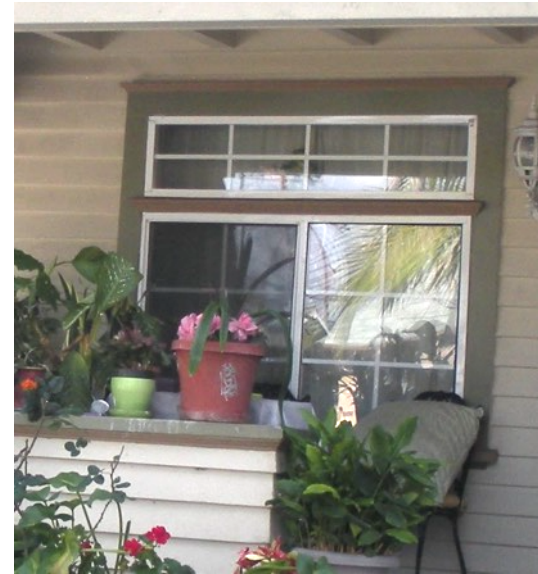
With few exceptions, all windows in Jefferson Park, including fixed windows and attic windows, follow the following pattern: the windows are single glazed; the glass is held by a wooden frame, the sash; the window jamb is deep and the sash is inset; there is a sill; and the exterior casing includes a wide header and side frames. Typically the windows do not have aprons (upper left) , although some do (upper right – notice how the header can be a continuous architectural feature such as a beam). Rare exceptions are windows with no exterior casing (bottom left), or minimal inset casing (bottom right).



Over the years some windows in Jefferson Park have been replaced with new windows. In these two examples the entire framing of the front window was removed, and replaced with a sheet of glass (to create a “picture window”). The bottom left example would have looked like the bottom right originally. The clues to look for are: there is no framing around the glass (no sash), and the glass is very large. (Sometimes the original large front window is a single pane of glass; but in that case the window is smaller than the examples below and it has a sash framing the glass.)



More new windows. These windows are made of vinyl and when they are double hung windows, the top sash does not have lugs. Historically appropriate replacement windows would be made of douglas fir and if double hung they would have lugs on the top sash.



More new windows.



