

**BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM**

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 10305200805  
QUAD \_\_\_\_\_  
SERIES \_\_\_\_\_  
NEG. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

DIVISION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION  
NEW YORK STATE PARKS AND RECREATION  
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YOUR NAME: Town of Islip/SPLIA DATE: March 1990

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ORGANIZATION (if any): Dept. of Planning, Housing, and Development

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**IDENTIFICATION**

- 1. BUILDING NAME(S): Ruzicka Master-Sun Greenhouses (Master-Sun Greenhouses)
- 2. COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN/CITY: Islip VILLAGE: Bohemia
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 1510 Locust Ave.
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public  b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. USE: Original: residence & greenhouses Present: residence & greenhouses
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes  No   
Interior accessible: Explain greenhouses only

**DESCRIPTION**

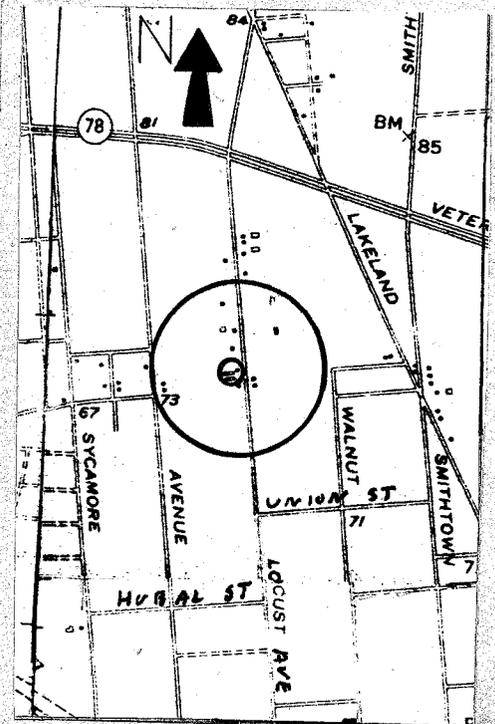
- 8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard  b. stone  c. brick  d. board and batten   
e. cobblestone  f. shingles  g. stucco  other: glass house
- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints   
(if known) b. wood frame with light members  house  
c. masonry load bearing walls   
d. metal (explain) metal grid system (greenhouses)  
e. other \_\_\_\_\_
- 10. CONDITION: a. excellent  b. good  c. fair  d. deteriorated
- 11. INTEGRITY: a. original site  b. moved  if so, when? \_\_\_\_\_  
c. list major alterations and dates (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

12. PHOTO: Neg. KK XXI-10, fm. SE

13. MAP: NYS DOT Patchogue Quad



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14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known  b. zoning  c. roads   
 d. developers  e. deterioration   
 f. other: \_\_\_\_\_
15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:  
 a. barn  b. carriage house  c. garage   
 d. privy  e. shed  f. greenhouse   
 g. shop  h. gardens   
 i. landscape features: \_\_\_\_\_  
 j. other: sheds, greenhouses, and large chimney
16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (check more than one if necessary):  
 a. open land  b. woodland   
 c. scattered buildings   
 d. densely built-up  e. commercial   
 f. industrial  g. residential   
 h. other: nearby greenhouse complexes, including 1471 Locust Avenue

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:  
 (Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)

Masterson Greenhouses are located in a residential section of Bohemia behind the main residence on a large parcel. The complex is grouped towards the front (east) portion of the property.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):  
 Masterson Greenhouses consist of a primary residence, garage, and numerous outbuildings that are clustered near three attached glass and metal greenhouses set perpendicular to the street. A large chimney rises from near the center of the group. The house is a 1½ story, shingled, gable roof building with a pair of triangular glazed dormers on the east roof slope.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: early 20th century

ARCHITECT: \_\_\_\_\_

BUILDER: \_\_\_\_\_

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

This well kept greenhouse complex is representative of a major industry in this area. However, many of the large glass and metal structures are being abandoned. The Master-Sun Greenhouse complex is one of the ~~finest~~ <sup>only</sup> <sub>afew</sub> that remains.

Another greenhouse complex is located opposite 1471 Locust Avenue.

21. SOURCES:

22. THEME:  
 Research by Society for the Preservation of Long Island Antiquities - KEK