

Hello Wider Horizons friends,

If you are interested in Seattle's history, as I am, you may enjoy visiting this local historic site.

The Georgetown Steam Plant was built in 1906 to provide electric power for the region's growing streetcar system. At the time, it was at the center of the rapidly growing Georgetown neighborhood. The plant was designed to run on either coal or oil. It operated until 1977 when it was completely decommissioned.

About 25 years ago I made the acquaintance of this part of Seattle's and the Puget Sound area's cultural and technological history.

I visited during one of its annual open-house events and was excited to take in its stately architecture and to learn some of its history as part of our region's modern urban development.

At that time the plant was coming out of a long dormant phase and about to be transformed into the museum and cultural center it is now. I would like to go back to see what has been done in and around the plant since my last visit.

I'd also like to share my enthusiasm for the place with other Wider Horizons folks by planning a group visit this spring. There is an open house with tours scheduled for Saturday, April 13. Check the link below for more info.

Please let me know ( [robby@riseup.net](mailto:robby@riseup.net) ) if you would like a ride or can offer a ride-  
-we could all meet up at the plant at 10:30 and enjoy a visit together.

All my best,

Robby Barnes

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<https://georgetownsteampant.squarespace.com/>

Open House  
Saturday, April 13, 2024  
10:00 AM 2:00 PM