

Clackamas County Heritage Tree

Stand of two Coast Redwoods (*sequoia sempervirens*) and Three Douglas
Fir (*Pseudotsuga menziesii*)

Clackamas County Historic Landmark

- 🌲 Location: 4221 SE Hull Avenue, Jennings Lodge area
- 🌲 **Significance:** *Specimen* – Trees of exceptional size, form or rarity, or horticultural value, *Historic* - Trees recognized by virtue of age, or association with or contribution to a historic structure or with a noted person.



1 & 2 Coast redwood, 3 & 4 Douglas fir




Douglas fir 5 – near the Willamette River



Coast redwood 1



Douglas fir 4


 **Measurements (Two Coast redwoods)**

- Height: **90', 90'**
- Circumference (meas. at 4 ½'): **13' 4", 14' 11"**
- Crown Spread: **40', 40'**
- Age: **100+ years**

Measurements (Three Douglas fir)

- Height: all 90 ‘
- Circumference (meas. at 4 ½’): 17’ 6”, 17’ 10”, 17’ 10”
- Crown Spread: 40’ each
- Age: 200 + years

Dedication Ceremony: April 30, 2009

 **Additional Information:** There are five unusually large trees of their species in the urban area, associated with historical figure: early site owners William L. & Irene Finley. These include three large Douglas fir and two large Coast redwood trees. Finley was a prominent bird photographer and conservationist, working with president Theodore Roosevelt to establish the first National refuges in the west here in Oregon; instrumental in establishing Oregon Fish & Game Commission; first Commissioner for Portland region, and First State Game Warden; later State Biologist; and a founder of Portland Audubon Society; popular author of books and film on wildlife.

Finley was a nationally known photographer and ornithologist. He purchased the property from the Berriman Jennings family in 1920. Finley was active in establishing Malheur Wildlife Refuge and the William L. Finley National Refuge outside Corvallis, Oregon, is named for him. He was also active in passing legislation which outlawed killing birds for feathers in women's hats.

The big firs would have been appreciated even by Finley when he first purchased the property. It is believed that Finley may have planted the Coast Redwoods on the property.



**William and Irene Finley Residence, Arts and Crafts, built 1920
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