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**Book Chronicles Colorful History of Columbus's Dynamic Arena District**  
***November 28 Book Launch Event to Celebrate Publication***

COLUMBUS – Nationwide Realty Investors announced today the publication of the first edition, leather-bound book ***“The Arena District: A Neighborhood 170 Years in the Making,”*** a pictorial and historical perspective of the Arena District in downtown Columbus.

The 80-page keepsake coffee table-type book features 125 photographs and renderings of the Arena District, from 1834 to the present. Filled with chronicles of major events, little-known facts and amusing anecdotes, the publication is not only a fascinating read, but it is also a handsome showpiece designed for book collectors, as well as history, architecture, urban planning and development .

“The area we have developed into what is known today as the Arena District has a rich and diverse history that dates back some 200 years,” said Brian Ellis, president of Nationwide Realty Investors. “We wanted to honor and record the neighborhood’s illustrious past as we celebrate its vibrant renaissance through this beautiful memoir book.”

Nationwide Realty Investors, in conjunction with the Columbus Historical Society and Columbus Landmarks, will host a book launch to introduce **The Arena District: A Neighborhood 170 Years in the Making** at 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 28, 2006, at The Arena Grand Theatre, 175 West Nationwide Boulevard. The event will include the book unveiling, as well as a panel discussion providing attendees with fascinating insight into the neighborhood’s past and present led by NRI President Brian Ellis, urban planner Keith Myers of MSI and local historian Ed Lentz.

Perfectly timed for holiday gift giving, ***“The Arena District: A Neighborhood 170 Years in the Making”*** is available for \$40 at [Arena-District.com](http://Arena-District.com).

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