

# Atlantic Coast Line Station

## 1400 Sligh Blvd



Photo taken 2015

Historically known as the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Station, this structure represented the City's attempt to increase and encourage tourism to Orlando during the 1920s Florida Land Boom. ACL hired architect M.A. Griffith to design the Spanish-Mission style building. He traveled to the Pacific Coast to study Spanish architecture and colonial parish churches for inspiration. The twin bell towers, arches, parapet and tile roof exhibit this influence. Griffith also hand-designed the letters of "ORLANDO" that round over the west entrance arch. The station is considered the largest and finest example of Mission Revival architecture in Central Florida and is the only train station in this style in Florida. In 2014, the station began a restoration project which won the City of Orlando's Historic Preservation award for Outstanding Commercial Rehabilitation. Since 1927, the station has served as a passenger terminal for Orlando's residents, visitors and workers and currently serves Amtrak's Silver Meteor and Silver Star Lines and the SunRail commuter train.

ORLANDO LOCAL LANDMARK (1978)