

2010 EXCELLENCE

Call for Nominations



Each year the Preservation League of New York State honors notable achievements in retaining, promoting and reusing New York's historic resources.

The Excellence in Historic Preservation Awards program continues a tradition that began in 1979 to acknowledge excellence in the protection and revitalization of the Empire State's historic architectural and cultural resources. By recognizing meaningful accomplishments in the field of historic preservation, the Preservation League hopes to further encourage standards of excellence and to increase public awareness and support for historic preservation throughout the state.

We invite you to participate in celebrating the preservation of New York State's heritage by submitting a nomination. Self-nominations are allowed and encouraged. There is no entrance fee.

The 2009 Excellence in Historic Preservation Award Winners included: **COVER:** Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, 2009 Excellence in Historic Preservation Award Recipient. Photo by David Heald © SRGF, NY. The name and image of the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum are registered trademarks of The Solomon R. Guggenheim Foundation. Used by permission. **ABOVE:** The Chapel of the Sisters in Prospect Cemetery, Jamaica, Queens. Photo by Angela Cumberbirch, Cutsogeorge Tooman & Allen Architects, P.C. **INSIDE:** The Emerson in Manhattan, photo by Tom Ligamari.

Other 2009 winners, not pictured, were: Astor Courts in Rhinebeck, Dutchess County; Christ Episcopal Church in Poughkeepsie, Dutchess County; Asbury Delaware Church – "Babeville," in Buffalo, Erie County; and the Theodore Roosevelt Executive and Legislative Building in Mineola, Nassau County. The Fred L. Emerson Foundation and Foundation Historical Society in Cayuga County were honored for organizational excellence, and Dr. Robert B. MacKay of Cold Spring Harbor, Suffolk County, was honored for individual excellence. The Olmsted City – The Buffalo Olmsted Park System: Plan for the 21st Century (University at Buffalo, 2008) was honored as an outstanding publication.

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Award Categories

PROJECTS

Applauds outstanding preservation, restoration or rehabilitation projects completed by architects, landscape architects, engineers, planners, developers,

preservationists or property owners. Self-nominations are permitted. Nominated projects may include but need not be limited to landscapes, buildings, Main Streets, and rural resources. Preservation work should provide properties with greater utility while maintaining as many elements that illustrate historic architectural and cultural significance as possible. Restoration projects should accurately recover the form and detail of the properties during their relevant periods of significance.

ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMUNITIES

Honors municipalities, community groups, nonprofit organizations and neighborhood associations whose advocacy, public awareness, publications, legal battles and other preservation efforts have demonstrated heroic dedication to New York's historic resources.

INDIVIDUALS

Recognizes creative, inspirational leaders whose efforts have encouraged the protection of historic resources, and strengthened the historic preservation movement in New York State. The Individual Award celebrates government officials, community leaders, local business owners, journalists and other dedicated individuals who have succeeded in protecting New York's heritage.

PUBLICATIONS

Acknowledges exceptional published surveys, historic structure or landscape reports, histories, brochures, technical briefs or other preservation publications that have been instrumental in successful preservation projects and goals.

The Excellence in Historic Preservation Awards Jury reserves the right not to make an award in any particular category.

Excellence in Historic Preservation Awards Nomination Form 2010

Award Category (please check only one): Project Organization/Community Individual Publication

Name of Nominee: _____

Affiliation or Title: _____

Address or Project Location: _____

Telephone: () _____ Email: _____

Date Project was Begun: (month/year) _____ Completed: (month/year) _____

Nominated by: _____

Affiliation or Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: () _____ Email: _____

Contact Person (not necessary for Individual nominations): _____

Affiliation or Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: () _____ Email: _____

Project Consultant, Architect, Planner, Designer (if not already provided as Nominee or Nominator): _____

Affiliation or Title: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: () _____ Email: _____

Criteria

Selection of Award winners will be guided by the following general criteria, which may not apply equally to each category:

1. Degree of difficulty of problems or threats faced and the creativity and appropriateness of the solutions applied.
2. Impact of leader, program, organization or project on the community, region or state.
3. Degree of imaginative and resourceful collaborative efforts among individuals, communities, organizations, project leaders and consultants.
4. Project design sensitivity to the historic character and fabric of the property, and degree of preservation or restoration achieved.
5. Project execution representing the best preservation practice and use of appropriate techniques.

Nomination Process

Nominations must be postmarked by February 11, 2010, and must include the nomination form and all of the supporting materials as specified. The Preservation League regrets that it cannot return submitted materials. Eligible nominations will be evaluated by the Excellence in Historic Preservation Awards Jury, which is appointed by the Chair of the Board of Trustees of the

Preservation League. All nominators will be notified of the status of their nomination by April 1, 2010. The awards will be presented on May 12, 2010 at the New York Yacht Club in New York City.

Eligibility

All nominations must have been executed in New York State, and must have been completed between January 1, 2007 and January 1, 2010. Historic resources need not be listed in the State or National Registers of Historic Places, but resources must have demonstrated historic or architectural significance.

POSTMARK DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS IS ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 11, 2010

MAIL TO: Awards Committee
Preservation League of NYS
44 Central Avenue
Albany, NY 12206

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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, E-MAIL AWARDS@PRESERVENYS.ORG

Required Materials:

- A one- to two-page narrative explaining why the nominee deserves statewide recognition. Describe the challenges overcome, unique strategies used, efforts to incorporate green or sustainable practices, positive impact on the community and overall contribution to historic preservation.
- All award nominations must be accompanied by at least 5 high-quality images, which may consist of 35mm slides, photographs or digital images provided in both hard copy and CD-ROM format. These images will be used in printed materials, PowerPoint presentations and subsequent announcements. All visuals must be labeled and include a photo credit. Before and after images showing the preservation process are encouraged.
- Two letters of support, specific to the criteria for judging, from people who are familiar with the nominee. Letters from local historic preservation organizations, if available, are encouraged.
- A complete list of names and mailing addresses for all key persons involved with the project, organization or advocacy effort.
- A list of any Federal or State programs which provided financial assistance to the project.

- A list of any other awards or honors received by the nominated subject.

YOU WILL NEED TO PRODUCE A TOTAL OF 10 NOMINATION PACKETS:

- All nomination materials must be submitted in 8 ½ x 11" format.
- One original nomination packet, single-sided and unbound, with one copy of original visual materials, such as digital images on CD, slides or photos.
- Nine duplicate packets which may include photocopies of original documents and photos, and may be double-sided. Please do NOT include CDs with duplicate packets – simply provide one CD with the original packet.
- All architectural drawings or renderings must be reduced or folded to 8.5" x 11" size.
- If the nomination is a planning document, publication or scholarly survey, one (1) original must be submitted within the application. Additional copies may be excerpts and/or reproductions.
- Please do not send any folders, dividers, pockets, title pages, or binders – they will be discarded. Your cooperation will greatly assist us with the review process.

All materials will become the property of the Preservation League of New York State and will not be returned. Materials may be used to further the preservation and educational goals of the League.

