

ERIE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY LOCAL HISTORY & HISTORICAL PRESERVATION AWARDS PROGRAM

Erie County Historical Society invites nominations for its Annual Local History & Historic Preservation Awards. Anyone is eligible to make a nomination. Self-nominations are permitted. Nominations should be made on the form enclosed and mailed or delivered to the Erie County Historical Society, 419 State St., Erie, PA 16501 by May 31, 2008. Awards will be announced at the Society's Annual Meeting on July 15, 2008.

Erie County Historical Society has established several ways in which it recognizes outstanding achievement and dedication to the field of history, on the part of individuals and organizations. This recognition may be awarded for service over a period of time, or for the quality of a specific project.

All buildings and structures in Erie County are eligible for Preservation Awards, including commercial, residential, industrial, public, religious, or other properties. Buildings & structures must be at least 40 years old or of an endangered archetype. They need not qualify for "National Register" listing, but must be of recognized historical or architectural value in terms of format, detail, and/or presence in the community. Interior and/or exterior work is eligible. Construction or enhancement projects must have been completed within the past five years.

Historic Preservation Award Categories

Preservation Stewardship: Long term care of a property which has been sensitive to the historic character and fabric of a significant historic or architectural resource.

Construction: Recent restoration or substantial rehabilitation of a significant historic or architectural resource.

Enhancement Projects: Historically appropriate use of colors, signs, awnings, & other exterior amenities which are sensitive to the historic character & fabric of the building; and restoration & rehabilitation of individual exterior elements in a manner sensitive to the historic character & fabric of the building.

Preservation Initiative: Non-construction activity, service, or commitment promoting historic preservation including government support, media coverage, corporate leadership, publications, education programs, individual achievement, etc.

Definitions

Preservation: Applying measures necessary to sustain the existing form, integrity, and materials of

an historic property through on-going maintenance or repair of historic materials & feature rather than replacement or new construction.

Restoration: Accurately depicting the historic form, features, and character of a property by repair, removal of inappropriate features, and reconstruction of features accurate to a particular period of time.

Rehabilitation: Providing a compatible use for a property through repair, alterations, and additions while pre-serving features of historical value.

The Erie County Historical Society has created this Historic Preservation Awards Program:

- To recognize projects that represent the appropriate standards in the categories of preservation, restoration, and rehabilitation.
- To acknowledge individuals and groups for initiatives, services, or commitment to preservation values.
- To create an advocacy for historic preservation through a greater public awareness of the built environment.
- To enhance a county-wide preservation ethic in both the public & private sectors.

Local History Award Categories

Honor Roll: Erie County Historical Society Honor Roll recognizes those deceased members who in the past have made significant contributions to its affairs in such areas as program, research and writing, and volunteer activities. Past deceased volunteers of the Erie Historical Museum are eligible.

Honorary Life Member: Election as an Honorary Life Member recognizes living members who by virtue of long and faithful service have made the Erie County Historical Society a more effective organization.

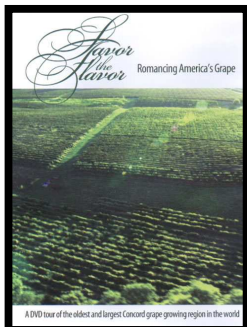
Local History Award: The Local History Award recognizes an outstanding contribution to the understanding and promotion of local history in such areas as publications, audiovisual materials, historical interpretation, archival development and community service.

President's Award: The President's Award is given at the discretion of ECHS' President to recognize those individuals who have been exceptionally active in the activities of the Society, who have given exceptional volunteer time, philanthropic support, or who do not fall into one of the other established award categories.

Media Award: The Media Award recognizes outstanding and successful efforts to increase public awareness and appreciation of the history of Erie County by any branch of the local mass media.

Education Award: The Education Award is given to an individual, institution, or group that contributes substantially to the promotion of historical education by communicating to the audience the value of history.

Lake Erie Concord Grape Belt
Heritage Association - a 2006
Local History Award winner.



Eligibility

Present board members and staff members of the Erie County Historical Society are not eligible for the Local History or Education Award. Representatives from all other fields of endeavor are eligible including business, government, professions, labor, media, historical societies and museums, neighborhood associations, youth organizations, schools and service groups.

Forms of Recognition

All award recipients will receive a certificate suitably framed. Honor Roll inductees will have their names inscribed upon a plaque which hangs in the office of the Erie County Historical Society.

To apply, complete the
attached application and
submit it to:

Local History &
Preservation Awards
Erie County Historical Society
419 State Street
Erie, PA 16501

Submission Deadline:
May 31st

Call 814-454-1813 for
additional information.

www.eriecountyhistory.org

**ERIE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
LOCAL HISTORY & HISTORICAL PRESERVATION
AWARDS NOMINATION APPLICATION**

Name of Individual Submitting Form: _____ Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone No.: (Day) _____ (Evening) _____

Nominee: _____
(Individual, Group, Building or Project)

Nominee's Address: _____

Nominee's Telephone No.: (Day) _____ (Evening) _____

Property Owner's Signature: _____
(Preservation Award Only)

Check the appropriate award category:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation Stewardship | <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation Initiative | <input type="checkbox"/> Honorary Life Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction Project | <input type="checkbox"/> Honor Roll | <input type="checkbox"/> Local History Award |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Enhancement Project | <input type="checkbox"/> President's Award | <input type="checkbox"/> Media Award |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education Award | | |

If you are nominating for a preservation award, do you consider the project to be (check one):

- Preservation Restoration Rehabilitation

Date the project was completed: _____

Please attach responses to the following questions, in summary format, of not more than two pages.

1. Briefly describe the project or activity for which the individual or organization is being nominated.
2. If applicable, provide a sample of audiotape or videotape, slides, photographs, publications, or other documentation to substantiate the nomination. If nominating for a preservation award, please include before and after photographs.

Important

The Awards Committees will not accept as complete any nomination which utilizes resumes, newspaper articles, annual reports, etc. in substitution for concise responses to the criteria outlined above. All supporting data should accompany nomination form.