



Community Planning and Economic Development Department News Release

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## A call for nominations of preservation achievements that celebrate the heritage and character of Minneapolis

February 27, 2012 (MINNEAPOLIS) – Preserve Minneapolis, American Institute of Architects Minneapolis, and the Minneapolis Heritage Preservation Commission invite nominations of outstanding projects for the 21st Annual Minneapolis Heritage Preservation Awards.

The Minneapolis Heritage Preservation Awards highlight the year's best achievements for transforming or preserving a historic property, building, or landscape. Recognition is also given to those who submit projects that incorporate both new and old elements in a way that is respectful to the past. Submissions are judged on attention to the quality of design, architecture, workmanship, and materials as well as the positive impact on the surrounding neighborhood and community.

Awards are made based on nomination materials submitted. A jury comprised of three Minneapolis Heritage Preservation Commissioners, three members of American Institute of Architects Minneapolis, and three board members from Preserve Minneapolis reviews nominations.

Nominations will be accepted Monday, February 27 through Friday, April 6, 2012. Electronic nomination forms are available at: [http://www.aia-mn.org/ext\\_about/local-chapters/minneapolis/](http://www.aia-mn.org/ext_about/local-chapters/minneapolis/) Self-nominations are encouraged.

The 21st Annual Minneapolis Heritage Preservation Awards will be held on Thursday, May 17, 2012, 11:30 a.m., at International Market Square, 275 Market Street, Room 185 in Minneapolis.

Nominations are solicited in the following categories:

- **Historic Restoration, Rehabilitation, or Adaptive Reuse Project:** Projects for nomination in this category are those where an existing place, property, building, or landscape was returned to its original character in a manner that is respectful to the property's historic past or are those where an existing historic place, property, building, or landscape was transformed and reinvented to incorporate both new and old elements in a way that that is respectful of, but different from, the form of the past.

- **New Addition to a Historic Building:** Projects for nomination in this category are those where an addition was made to an existing place, property, building, or landscape in a manner that is respectful to the property's historic past.
- **New Construction within a Historic District:** Projects for nomination in this category are those where a new building or landscape was added into one of the City's existing heritage preservation districts. Projects will be judged based on how well the new project fits into the existing historic district as well as the quality of design, architecture, workmanship, and materials.
- **Community Education & Advocacy:** This category is for nomination of projects that have made an overall contribution to preservation in Minneapolis beyond the physical construction or reconstruction of a building or landscape. This category is to recognize organizations and their preservation-related education and outreach projects.
- **Recent Past Award:** Projects for nomination in this category are those that restore, reuse, or add to a place, property, building, or landscape that originates from (approximately) the last 50 years. The Recent Past Award is designed to promote education and awareness of the materials, design techniques, and planning principles from the second half of the twentieth century.
- **The Steve Murray Award:** The Steve Murray Award is considered the top individual honor for preservation in Minneapolis. It is awarded to an individual who has displayed leadership, courage, and dedication to heritage preservation in Minneapolis in the last year or over the course of their career or lifetime.

All Nominations are due to the American Institute of Architect Minnesota Office by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, April 6, 2012. If you have questions about the awards or the nomination forms, please contact Preserve Minneapolis board member Tammy Lindberg at (612) 251-8167 or [tammydlindberg@gmail.com](mailto:tammydlindberg@gmail.com) Electronic nomination forms are available at: [http://www.aia-mn.org/ext\\_about/local-chapters/minneapolis/](http://www.aia-mn.org/ext_about/local-chapters/minneapolis/)

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