



2019 PRESERVATION MERIT AWARDS NOMINATION GUIDELINES

Preservation Austin's 59th Annual Preservation Merit Awards honor visionary approaches to preserving our city's unique architectural, cultural, and environmental heritage. By recognizing outstanding individuals, businesses, organizations, and institutions, we hope to inspire others to carry on this important work. Projects must be located within the City of Austin and completed between January 1, 2017 and the application due date of August 12, 2019.

Preservation Awards

Preservation Awards honor the preservation, rehabilitation, and restoration of historic properties; outstanding infill and additions; the preservation of cultural landscapes; and sustainability initiatives which respect a property's historic character.

Stewardship Awards

Stewardship Awards honor ongoing efforts to care for, manage, and maintain historic resources.

Special Recognition Awards

Special Recognition Awards honor those who have exhibited leadership in preservation. This includes outstanding public service through advocacy, public projects, neighborhood preservation, or research; the craftspeople who maintain and restore our historic resources; educational programs, curricula, or informational tools that focus on preservation and history; and outstanding media coverage of preservation issues by reporters, writers, publishers, and publications.

General Guidelines

- Projects must be located within the City of Austin and completed between January 1, 2017 and the application due date of August 12, 2019.
- **The application fee is \$25.** This will be waived for those nominating advocacy efforts. See Page 2 of the nomination form for payment details.
- **All nominations must be submitted digitally through wettransfer.com and include a completed Nomination Form, Summary Statement of 500 words or less, and photographs, if applicable.**
- Award selections will be made by a jury which includes preservation and design professionals.
- Nominations will be judged on the quality and difficulty of a nominee's project or efforts; their impact on the community; and the degree to which they are innovative, pioneering, or serve as an example for future projects and efforts.
- Multiple awards may be given in any category, and awards may not be given in some categories.
- Contacting jurors regarding active nominations will result in disqualification.
- Award recipients will be notified by September 15, 2019.
- Awards will be presented during the 59th Annual Preservation Merit Awards Celebration luncheon at the Stephen F. Austin Hotel on November 15, 2019. Each award-winning project receives two complementary tickets.

Questions? Contact Executive Director Lindsey Derrington at lindsey@preservationaustin.org or by phone at (512) 474-5198 x 7728.

Summary Statement Guidelines

Summary Statements must be 500 words or less. The jury will only see the first 500 words of a statement, even if it exceeds that limit upon submission. Handwritten entries will not be accepted. Select the following category (and subcategory, if applicable) that best fits your nomination and follow the associated guidelines. Keep in mind that a project may qualify for multiple categories and that judges may reassign a project's category as needed. **Summary statements must demonstrate why a project or entity is worth of an award.**

PRESERVATION AWARDS

Preservation, Rehabilitation, or Restoration of an Historic Building or Structure:

- Briefly explain the building or structure's historical significance.
- Describe the project. Include information about the property's prior condition, the scope of work, materials used, etc.
- Describe the owner, institution, or organization's relationship to the property, what attracted the owner to the property, challenges encountered, or what made the project rewarding.
- Provide the date of project completion.

New Building in an Historic District or New Addition to an Historic Building:

- Briefly explain the district or building's historical significance.
- Describe the project and its context. Include information about the property's prior condition and the need for a new building or addition.
- Explain how the project enhances existing historic resources.
- Describe the owner, institution, or organization's relationship to the property, what attracted the owner to the property, challenges encountered, and what made the project rewarding.
- Provide the date of project completion.

Preservation of a Cultural Landscape:

- Briefly explain the cultural landscape's historical significance.
- Describe the project. Include information about the cultural landscape's prior condition and changes that were made supported by historic research.
- Describe the owner, institution, or organization's relationship to the cultural landscape, challenges encountered, or what made the project rewarding.
- Provide the date of project completion.

Sustainability:

- Describe the project, program, or initiative. Include information about products used, their installation, and how they respect the property, building type, or cultural landscape's historic fabric.
- Provide the date of completion or implementation.
- Describe how it could be used as a model for others.

STEWARDSHIP AWARDS

Stewardship of an Historic Building, Structure, or Site:

- Briefly explain the property's historical significance.
- Describe the property's condition. There should be no significant alterations; the building, structure, or site must retain its historical and architectural integrity.
- Describe the owner, institution, or organization's relationship to the property.
- Describe any unusual maintenance challenges faced.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS

Outstanding Public Service:

- Describe the nominee's leadership activities related to historic preservation, including advocacy, public projects, and neighborhood preservation.
- Eligible recipients include individuals, coalitions, neighborhood groups, and nonprofits.

Outstanding Craftsmanship:

- Describe the nominee's work relating to historic preservation, including the maintenance and restoration of historic buildings and resources.

Outstanding Educational Programming:

- Describe the preservation and/or history-related program or activity.
- Provide the date of implementation and/or completion.

Outstanding Media Coverage, Scholarship, and Planning:

- Describe the nominee's work, including publications, media coverage of preservation issues, survey work, or master planning.
- Demonstrate how the work furthers our understanding of historic preservation and/or of Austin's cultural and architectural heritage; or how it sustains our community's significant historic resources.

Photography Guidelines

- **Before and after photographs are required for Preservation Awards nominees.** Photographs and relevant images may be submitted for Stewardship and Special Recognition Awards as needed.
- Although professional photography is not required, photographs should be of sufficient quality to show the project in its best light.
- Digital color images (**300 dpi, 1200x1800 pixels, JPEG format**) should be labeled with the building's name.
- Photographer credits are required.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE AND DELIVERY

- **Nomination and \$25 submission fee must be submitted before 5pm on Monday, August 12, 2019.**
- Nominations must include a completed Nomination Form, Summary Statement, and photographs, if applicable. **Send all files to lindsey@preservationaustin.org using WeTransfer (wetransfer.com).**
- Submission serves as a release that Preservation Austin may publish information from your nomination, including project details and credited photography.

2019 PRESERVATION MERIT AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

SUBMIT BY AUGUST 3. Please select the category or categories which best describe your project:

Preservation Awards

Preservation
Rehabilitation
Restoration
Infill or Addition
Cultural Landscape
Sustainability

Stewardship Awards

Special Recognition Awards

Public Service
Craftsmanship
Education
Media and Scholarship

Nominee(s) – *Preservation Award nominee(s) must be the building owner(s).*

Name/Company/Organization/Institution: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

Nominator – *Individual submitting the application.*

Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

The name(s) of the nominee(s) submitted here will be included online and in PA printed materials.

For Preservation Awards Only:

Historic Name of Property (If Known) and/or Historic District:

Address: _____

Original Date of Construction: _____

Current Use: _____ Original Use: _____

Original Architect/Builder: _____

Historic Designation:

National Register Recorded Texas Historic Landmark City of Austin Historic Landmark

If the property has not received historic designation, describe its significance in the Summary Statement.

Preservation Architect

Name: _____

Firm: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

Project Completion Date: _____

Contractor or Builder

Name: _____

Firm: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

Project Completion Date: _____

Note: Preservation Awards honor property owners investing in their historic properties. Given print and time constraints, Preservation Austin will recognize architects and builders for each project. Where applicable, please attach additional pages listing subcontractors or craftspeople who played a significant role in your project's preservation work and we will recognize them as well.

Please remember to include before and after photographs with each Preservation Award nomination.

SUBMISSION FEE

A \$25 submission fee (one per nomination) is required by Monday, August 12, 2019 or your nomination will not be considered. This fee will be waived for those nominating advocacy efforts.

Please make checks payable to Preservation Austin and send to **PO Box 2113, Austin, TX 78768.**

Online payments may be made at **preservationaustin.org/get-involved/make-a-donation.** Include "2019 PMA Submission Fee" and your project's name in the "Name of Event, If Sponsorship" field.