

A Call For
NOMINATIONS

for the

South Carolina

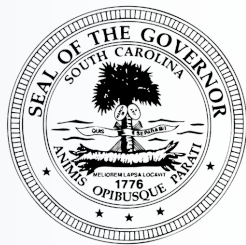


2025

Historic Preservation

AWARDS

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**Preservation
South Carolina**



Honor Awards • Stewardship Awards
Preservation Service Awards • Heritage Tourism Award
Elected Official Honor Award • Governor's Award



Preservation Works

Each year thousands of South Carolinians work to preserve the state's legacy that is reflected in our historic buildings, structures, and sites. Since 1995, the South Carolina Department of Archives and History, Preservation South Carolina, and the Office of the Governor have recognized exceptional accomplishments in the preservation, rehabilitation, and interpretation of our architectural and cultural heritage with a series of statewide awards.

These efforts demonstrate the outstanding commitment to preserving South Carolina's history; therefore the South Carolina Department of Archives and History, Preservation South Carolina, and the Office of the Governor have joined together to announce the 30th Annual South Carolina Historic Preservation Awards, recognizing exemplary work in historic preservation in South Carolina.

We invite you to nominate those individuals or organizations that represent the best of historic preservation in our state. Nominations submitted in previous years that were not selected to receive an award may be updated and resubmitted. If you would like to view award recipients from 2020-2024, please visit: <https://www.preservesc.org/preservation-awards>

Award Criteria

Honor Awards

The Honor Awards celebrate successful and exemplary historic preservation projects around the Palmetto State. Up to five Honor Awards will be presented each year. Any individual, organization, government agency, or business involved in the preservation of historic buildings, structures, or sites (including archaeological sites, cemeteries, and landscapes) in South Carolina is eligible to receive an Honor Award for a historic preservation project. Multiple partners in a project may be nominated, but may not exceed three, and must include the property owner.

Award Criteria

The selection panel will consider the following:

- Completion date
(projects must have been completely finished, including all phases, and ready for the intended use, within the last three years)
- Project's impact on the community and/or the state
- Degree of difficulty of project
- Degree to which project serves as an example of outstanding commitment to historic preservation and exemplary preservation techniques





Award Criteria *(continued)*

► Stewardship Awards

The Stewardship Awards recognize those who have ensured the ongoing preservation of historic buildings, structures, or sites through long-term care, planning, management, protection, or continuous ownership for a minimum of ten years. Up to five Stewardship Awards will be presented each year. Any individual, family, organization, government agency, or business involved in the long-term care and management of historic buildings, structures, or sites (including archaeological sites, cemeteries, and landscapes) in South Carolina is eligible to receive a Stewardship Award. The award nominee should be the entity responsible for the stewardship of the historic property.

Award Criteria

The selection panel will consider the following:

- Length of stewardship
- Obstacles overcome
- Impact on the community and/or the state
- Demonstrated pattern of ongoing planning and management activities that are sensitive to the historic character and prevent deterioration of the historic property(ies)
- Degree to which the nominee serves as an outstanding example of long-term commitment to historic property stewardship

► Preservation Service Awards

The Preservation Service Awards recognize projects and activities that make exemplary contributions to the advancement of historic preservation. Eligible projects that support historic preservation can include research, publications, education, advocacy, public policy initiatives, promotional activities, events, and funding programs. Up to five Preservation Service Awards will be presented each year. Any individual, organization, government agency, or business involved in a project or effort to further the cause of historic preservation in South Carolina is eligible to receive a Preservation Service Award. The award nominee should be the entity responsible for carrying out the project or activity.

Award Criteria

The selection panel will consider the following:

- Completion date
(projects must have been completed within the last three years)
- Impact on the community and/or the state
- Obstacles overcome
- Degree to which the activity or effort serves as an example of outstanding commitment to historic preservation and innovative preservation practices
- Projects must involve historic buildings, structures, or sites (including archaeological sites, cemeteries, and landscapes)





Award Criteria *(continued)*

► Heritage Tourism Award

The Heritage Tourism Award recognizes those who best use South Carolina’s cultural and historic resources in the documented development of tourism that directly benefits the preservation of our heritage. Any individual, organization, government agency, or business involved in a historic preservation project related to the tourism industry is eligible to receive the Heritage Tourism Award.

Award Criteria

The selection panel will consider the following:

- Project’s documented impact on tourism in South Carolina
- Obstacles overcome
- Degree to which project serves as an example of outstanding commitment to historic preservation and exemplary preservation techniques
- Projects must involve historic buildings, structures, or sites (including archaeological sites, cemeteries, and landscapes)

► Elected Official Honor Award

The Elected Official Honor Award may be presented each year to an individual elected official in recognition of significant achievements or landmark efforts in the support of historic preservation in South Carolina. Any elected official who has demonstrated a dedication to the preservation of South Carolina’s historic buildings, structures, or sites may receive the Elected Official Honor Award.

Award Criteria

The selection panel will consider the impact of the elected official’s work on historic preservation in a community and/or the state over their lifetime.

► Governor’s Award

The Governor’s Award may be presented each year in recognition of an individual’s significant achievements or landmark efforts in the support of historic preservation in South Carolina. Any person who has demonstrated lifelong dedication to the preservation of South Carolina’s historic buildings, structures, or sites—whether involved in hands-on construction, planning, management, or regulation—may receive the Governor’s Award.

Award Criteria

The selection panel will consider the following:

- Impact of an individual’s work on historic preservation in the community and/or the state
- Volunteer Commitment





Nomination Procedures

1. Nominations should be made in the form of a nomination packet (see packet components for each award below). Nomination packets will consist of the following materials:

Honor, Stewardship, Preservation Service, and Heritage Tourism Awards:

- A completed nomination form.
- A typed statement, no longer than two letter-sized pages, single-spaced in 12-point font, describing the project for which the individual or organization is being nominated and **explaining how it meets the award criteria.**
- 10-15 photographs, taken from a variety of angles, illustrating the project(s), including before and after, interiors and exteriors, and historic images. Images should be in focus and well-lit.

Governor's Award and Elected Official Honor Award:

- A completed nomination form.
- A typed statement, no longer than two letter-sized pages, single-spaced in 12-point font, describing the projects for which the individual is being nominated and how the individual meets the award criteria.
- A one-page biography and photograph of individual being nominated.
- 10-15 photographs, illustrating the variety of projects within the individual's body of work, if applicable.

Optional materials for all awards:

- Brochures, news clippings, books, videos, plans, surveys, legislation, or other documentation related to the project or individual.
 - Letters of support demonstrating community support.
 - Originals of all optional materials will be made available for viewing at the selection panel meeting.
2. If mailing nomination, please provide one copy of the nomination packet including all forms, statements, and printed images. All materials should be produced in an 8½" x 11" format. No staples or binders, please.
 3. Images (no more than 15) must be provided in two formats with captions and credits:
 - Email submissions – single .jpg files or .pdf file. No PowerPoint files, please
 - Mail submissions – single .jpg files on thumb drive

Submission of images by nominator constitutes a release agreement allowing the awards' sponsors to use images in press announcements, publications, and websites.
 4. An application fee of \$50.00 (nonrefundable). Checks made payable to Preservation South Carolina.

Posthumous nominations will not be accepted. Projects previously submitted, which did not receive awards are eligible for re-entry. Employees of sponsoring organizations are not eligible.





Selection Panel

The selection panel participants will include:

- A representative from the Office of the Governor
- Preservation South Carolina Board Chair (or designee)
- The Director of the South Carolina Department of Archives and History (or designee)
- A representative from the Board of the Preservation South Carolina
- Two representatives from the South Carolina Department of Archives and History
- A representative of Preservation South Carolina's Membership Program
- A representative from the South Carolina African American Heritage Commission
- A representative from the Confederation of South Carolina Local Historical Societies
- A representative from the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism

Copies of the nomination packets will be made available to the Selection Panel for review.

Decisions will be made based on the information contained in the nomination materials. Please ensure to address the award criteria in the written narrative.

The Selection Panel reserves the right to move nominations from one category to another category if the nomination is better suited for another category. Any member of the Selection Panel must recuse him/herself from the discussion of any project where he/she is the preparer of the nomination, a nominee, or the representative of an organization who is a nominee. Such member must recuse him/herself from voting on all nominations in the particular category where such a conflict of interest exists.

Expectations

- Recipients must appear at the awards ceremony or have a representative accept the award on their behalf
- Recipients are responsible for their own travel and lodging if needed to the awards ceremony
- Recipients will be available to provide quotes and background information for press releases and other media surrounding the award and the award presentation
- Governor's Award recipient may be asked to give brief remark during the awards ceremony
- Recipients will be asked to publicize their award through their social media channels, if applicable



2025 Historic Preservation Awards NOMINATION FORM

Deadline: Nominations must be postmarked by April 1, 2025

Award winners will be notified by May 31, 2025

Please be accurate and complete, awards will be presented precisely as this form is completed.

Nominee:

Name: _____

(Name of Project, Organization, or Person)

Category: *(Check One)*

_____ **Honor Award** - Date Completed ____ / ____ / _____

(Project must have been complete between January 1, 2022 and December 31, 2024)

_____ **Stewardship Award**

_____ **Preservation Service Award** - Date Completed ____ / ____ / _____

(Project must have been complete between January 1, 2022 and December 31, 2024)

_____ **Heritage Tourism Award**

_____ **Elected Official Award**

_____ **Governor's Award**

Submitted By:

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone 1: _____ Phone 2: _____

Email: _____

Individual or Organization to Receive Award:

One award will be given per project except for the Honor Award. Honor Award recipients must include the property's owner, and may also include the architect, contractor, consultant, engineer, citizen advocate, or local official. Please include the following information for each nominee.

Owner Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone 1 : _____ Phone 2: _____

Email: _____



Honor Awards Only:

Name: _____
Organization: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone 1: _____ Phone 2: _____
Email: _____
Role in Project: _____

Honor Awards Only:

Name: _____
Organization: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone 1: _____ Phone 2: _____
Email: _____
Role in Project: _____

Nomination Checklist:

Nominations Must Include ALL Items Below:

- _____ 2025 Historic Preservation Awards Nomination Form
- _____ 1-2 Page Typed Statement (should address how nomination meets the award criteria)
- _____ Project Images with short captions and credits.
- _____ Images as single .jpg files, submitted on thumb drive if mailing.

_____ Bio and Paragraph – For Elected Official and Governor’s Awards Only

_____ Optional Materials

_____ \$50 Application Fee (payable to Preservation South Carolina) submitted by mail to:

Preservation South Carolina, 1109 Broad St., Ste. 2H, Camden, SC 29020

Please check that your nomination packet is complete. Incomplete nominations will not be considered. Nomination packets will not be returned. Please keep a copy for your records.

Email (Preferred) Completed
Applications to: Joanna Rothell
Director of Outreach & Preservation
Joanna@preservesc.org

OR

Mail Completed Applications to:
2025 Historic Preservation Awards
c/o Preservation SC
1109 Broad Street, Suite 2H
Camden, SC 29020

For more information, contact: Joanna Rothell at Joanna@preservesc.org | (803) 729-7782

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