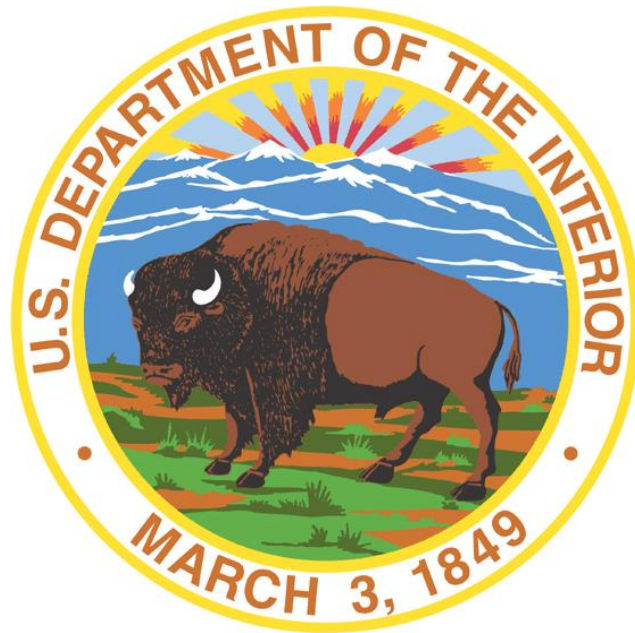


Secretary of the Interior's *2015 Historic Preservation Award*



Recognizing the Outstanding Contributions of
Employees in a

Federal Preservation Office
State Historic Preservation Office
Tribal Historic Preservation Office, or
Certified Local Government

to the
Preservation of Historic Places

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
DEADLINE - OCTOBER 1, 2015**

SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR'S
HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARD
2015 NOMINATION

INTRODUCTION

Section 110(h) of the National Historic Preservation Act (54 U.S.C. 306110) directs the Secretary of the Interior to establish an annual award program to recognize the outstanding contributions in the area of historic preservation. The Secretary's award is distinguished from other historic preservation award programs because it: was established as a Cabinet-level of recognition through a statutory mandate; focuses on the accomplishments of individual employees and not on programs or projects; and recognizes the contributions of employees at multiple levels of government. The award comes with a special citation and a monetary award of \$1,000.

ELIGIBILITY

Current officers and employees of Federal Preservation Offices, State Historic Preservation Offices, Tribal Historic Preservation Offices, and Certified Local Governments are eligible for the award. Employees of the National Park Service's Washington Office are not eligible for this award.

CRITERIA

The award recognizes special achievements by employees of Federal, state, tribal, and local preservation programs who have made outstanding contributions to the preservation of historic places. Nominees must be individuals whose contributions surpass the expected scope of their position, and whose creativity and expertise have significantly fostered the overall goals of the National Historic Preservation Act.

- *Federal Preservation Offices:* Describe the significant achievements for which the employee is being nominated and how their accomplishments have helped the agency fulfill the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Federal Historic Preservation Programs.
- *State Historic Preservation Offices:* Describe the significant achievements for which the employee is being nominated and how their accomplishments have helped the state fulfill the requirements of the National Historic Preservation Act and 36 CFR Part 61, Procedures for State, Tribal, and Local Government Historic Preservation Programs.
- *Tribal Historic Preservation Offices:* Describe the significant achievements for which the employee is being nominated and how their accomplishments have helped the tribe fulfill the requirements of the National Historic Preservation Act and 36 CFR Part 61, Procedures for State, Tribal, and Local Government Historic Preservation Programs.

- *Certified Local Governments:* Describe the significant achievements for which the employee is being nominated and how their accomplishments have helped the local government fulfill the requirements of the National Historic Preservation Act and 36 CFR Part 61, Procedures for State, Tribal, and Local Government Historic Preservation Programs.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Section 110(h) of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended: *The Secretary shall establish an annual preservation awards program under which he may make monetary awards in amounts not to exceed \$1,000 and provide citations for special achievement to officers and employees of Federal, state, and certified local governments in recognition of their outstanding contributions to the preservation of historic resources.*

NOMINATION PACKAGE

Federal, state, tribal, and local governments are encouraged to nominate outstanding employees for this recognition. Four annual awards may be presented, one for each type of government agency (Federal, state, tribal and local). The winners will be selected through a national competition administered by the National Park Service and the Office of the Secretary, Department of the Interior.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

The nomination must include contact information (name, title, address, work phone, email address) for both the nominee and the nominator. Nominations must also include a narrative statement (no more than three pages) that addresses the award criteria. Electronic nominations are strongly encouraged. Please send your nomination, either as an attached file or embedded in the body of your email, to David_Banks@nps.gov. Nomination packages may be faxed to 202-371-1794. Nomination packages must be postmarked on or before October 1, 2015, and awards will be announced in early 2016. For additional information, please contact David Banks at 202-354-6968 or at David_Banks@nps.gov.

*Submit paper nominations
by express mail or commercial courier service to:*

2015 Historic Preservation Award Nomination
c/o David Banks
National Park Service
1201 Eye Street, NW (2256)
Washington, DC 20005

~~Nominations Close October 1, 2015~~

SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR'S HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARD



Vernelda J. Grant, THPO, San Carlos Apache Nation and
Michael J. Bean, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks
Secretary of the Interior's Historic Preservation 2014 Award Presentation Ceremony
Tuesday, June 23, 2015

Past Recipients

Federal Preservation Office Category

Deborah Corbett, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Scott B. Shepherd, III, U. S. Air Force
Robin D. Hawks, Ph.D., Bureau of Land Management
John S. Wilson, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Beth L. Savage, U.S. General Services Administration

State Historic Preservation Office Category

Calder Loth, Virginia Department of Historic Resources
Ruth L. Pierpont, New York State Historic Preservation Office
Dan Elswick, South Carolina State Historic Preservation Office
Ann L. Swanson, Idaho State Historic Preservation Office
Dan W. Corson, History Colorado (State Historic Preservation Office)

Tribal Historic Preservation Office Category

Kelly Jackson, Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians
Terry D. Cole, Choctaw Nation
Bill Helmer, Big Pine Paiute Tribe of the Owens Valley
Alan S. Downer, Ph.D., Navajo Nation
Vernelda J. Grant, San Carolos Apache Nation

Certified Local Government Category

William Morgan, Muncie, Indiana
Michael Leventhal, Arlington County, Virginia
Michelle Pierce, Lake City, Colorado
Dana N. Sigmon, Okmulgee, Oklahoma
Esley Hamilton, St. Louis County, Missouri