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Nominations Sought for Historic Preservation Awards

Nominations for the 2005 Historic Preservation Awards Program are now being sought by the Oak Park Historic Preservation Commission, citizen volunteers who advise the Village Board on historic preservation issues. April 15 is the deadline for submissions.

Single-family residences, apartment buildings, commercial buildings, public/institutional buildings or religious structures may be nominated in any of four categories – restoration, rehabilitation, adaptive use and additions. Projects should have been created within the past five years, and located within the boundaries of the Village. Nominations need not be in an historic district. Interior work also may be considered.

Any resident, owner or tenant of eligible structures, members of local preservation and historical societies, and members of the Oak Park Community Design Commission and Historic Preservation Commission may make nominations. The judges' decisions will be based upon the Historic Preservation Commission's *Architectural Review Guidelines*, which are based on the Secretary of the Interior's *Standards for Rehabilitation*, as well as considerations of contextual and design appropriateness.

Nomination forms are available at the customer service desk in Village Hall, 123 Madison St., by contacting Community Services at 358.5400 or by e-mail at comsvcs@oak-park.us. A nomination form also can be downloaded from the Village website www.oak-park.us – click on news, then the historic preservation button along the right margin.

Awards will be presented in conjunction with National Preservation Week. For more information call 358.5417.

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(Editor's Note: Nomination form is attached)



2005 Historic Preservation Awards Nomination Form

Entry Deadline – Friday, April 15, 2005

Category (Check applicable category)

- Adaptive Use Changing the use of a structure to meet contemporary needs in manner that retains its viability while respecting its original character.
- Addition Can include an addition directly to a structure or new construction on a property, which enhances the historic nature of the original building.
- Rehabilitation Modifying a structure, object or site to a functional condition through alteration or addition using materials compatible in scale, color, texture and character with the original.
- Restoration Returning a structure, object or site or a significant part to the original design and condition by repairing or replacing the original material, architectural detail or paint color scheme.

Address of Property _____ Year Built _____

Owner Information (Owner must be aware of nomination. Please print name as it might appear on award.)

Name _____
Address _____
Daytime Phone _____ Evening Phone _____
Original Architect _____
Project Architect _____
Contractor _____
Job Started ____ / ____ / ____ & Completed ____ / ____ / ____

Project Description and Reason for Nomination (Use Additional Pages if Needed)

Name of Person Completing this Form _____

Nominations must be supported with adequate project descriptions and before and after photos, if possible (after photos must accompany all nominations).

Send Entries To: Doug Kaarre, Urban Planner
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