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2013 Minneapolis Heritage Preservation Awards



Museum in the Streets - Lake Street

MINNEAPOLIS, MN -- The Minneapolis Heritage Preservation Commission, The Minneapolis Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, and Preserve Minneapolis announce the recipients of this year's preservation awards.

The partners honor exemplary projects, individuals, and community organizations that celebrate and enhance the heritage and historic character of Minneapolis.

These awards highlight the year's best achievements for transforming a historic property, building, or landscape and reinventing it to incorporate both new and old elements in a way that that is respectful to the past. Projects 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.

The following honors were presented during the 22nd annual Minneapolis Heritage Preservation Commission Awards luncheon on Thursday, May 16:

Historic Restoration, Rehabilitation, or Adaptive Reuse Project Washburn Crosby Elevator No. 1 Basilica of Saint Mary Sacristy and Narthex Restoration 430 Oak Grove Apartments Copham Apartments and ElseWarehouse Apartments Minneapolis Grain Exchange Trading Floor (CoCo Minneapolis)

Recent Past Award Cedar Square West (Riverside Plaza)

Community Education and Advocacy Museum in the Streets – Lake Street

Good Luck and Good Fortune The Hollywood Theater Peavey Plaza

The Steve Murray Award Chester Rog

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The American Institute of Architects Minnesota, founded in 1892, is dedicated to strengthening our communities, improving our built environment and providing exceptional design. For more information on the organization and Minnesota architectural firms, reference our Web site at www.aia-mn.org and pick up a copy of Architecture Minnesota, the award-winning architectural magazine of the Midwest.

The Minneapolis Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC) was formed in 1972 to serve as serves as a citizen advisory body to the Minneapolis City Council. The HPC is part of a nation-wide network of groups dedicated to the preservation and celebration of our local and national heritage. The Commission holds public hearings on matters related to preservation twice each month. Projects that come before the commission are administered through professional preservation-planning staff in the City of Minneapolis Community Planning and Economic Development Department

(CPED). These meetings are specifically held so that the Commission can hear from the public on matters related to heritage preservation. The public is welcome to attend and highly encouraged to participate.

Preserve Minneapolis is a newly registered non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life in Minneapolis by recognizing, preserving, and revitalizing the architectural and related cultural resources of the city of Minneapolis.

Founded in 2003, the group was originally brought together to attract the 2007 National Trust for Historic Preservation conference to the Twin Cities. Preserve Minneapolis hosts monthly discussions and tours highlighting preservation activities in Minneapolis.

The City of Minneapolis Community Planning and Economic Development Department (CPED) provides preservation related services within Minneapolis local government. These services include professional review for preservation permit applications, ongoing efforts to evaluate the historical significance of buildings and districts, recommendations for designation of local landmarks; prepares and administers design guidelines; conducts on-going research of eligible sites and districts; provides public education and community outreach programs; collaborates on the integration of historic preservation with City planning and development activities.