



2021 LANDMARKS ILLINOIS RICHARD H. DRIEHAUS FOUNDATION AWARDS
NOMINATION GUIDELINES

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Landmarks Illinois is accepting nominations now through June 1 for the **2021 Landmarks Illinois Richard H. Driehaus Foundation Preservation Awards**. The annual awards program honors individuals, organizations, projects and programs in Illinois whose work demonstrates a commitment to excellence in preservation and protects the historic places that matter to people and their communities.

All nominations will be considered for awards Landmarks Illinois gives out each year through the Landmarks Illinois Richard H. Driehaus Foundation Preservation Award program. Award recipients will be honored this fall at a public ceremony and also receive a cash prize and custom-designed trophy.

To honor the memory and creative spirit of Richard H. Driehaus, Landmarks Illinois' longtime partner in preservation, one of the 2021 selected winners will receive the *Richard H. Driehaus Legacy Award*, which will be presented to a forward-thinking individual or an exemplary project that represents innovation in preservation. The Richard H. Driehaus Foundation has generously underwritten Landmarks Illinois' annual preservation awards program since 1994.

ELIGIBILITY

Nominations for the 2021 preservation awards are due June 1, 2021. Nominated projects must have been completed within the geographical boundaries of Illinois within the last five years. Phased projects may be considered if the nominated phase is complete and can stand on its own merits.

- Nominations may be submitted in someone's honor and/or without the knowledge of the nominee
- Self-nominations will be accepted
- Nominations that were not selected for awards in a previous year may be revised and resubmitted, provided the five-year time limit has not been exceeded

CATEGORIES

- ✦ **ADVOCACY** – An effective local or statewide campaign to preserve and protect a historic resource.
 - Communication/Publications
 - Community Effort/Grassroots Campaign
 - Education/Programming

- ✦ LEADERSHIP – Individual, municipality, private organization or joint partnership that has championed historic preservation, planning or public policy.
 - Emerging Leader
 - Professional
 - Legislator
 - Volunteer
 - Lifetime Achievement

- ✦ PRESERVATION – Projects that make possible the continued use of a historic commercial/industrial buildings, multi-family/affordable housing residences, public/institutional structures or preserves a cultural heritage site.
 - Adaptive Use
 - Cultural Heritage Conservation
 - Rehabilitation
 - Restoration
 - Stabilization
 - Stewardship

- ✦ ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY – Mitigation of climate change through preservation technologies.

JUDGING PROCESS & CRITERIA

Landmarks Illinois invites a jury of preservation professionals to review nominations for the Landmarks Illinois Richard H. Driehaus Preservation Awards. Although the composition of the jury changes each year, Landmarks Illinois strives to achieve balanced representation from various preservation disciplines throughout the state.

The nominees and projects that most closely emulate Landmarks Illinois' values and our priorities to support inclusion, diversity, equity, and accessibility (IDEA) in preservation will receive the greatest consideration. Read our "Statement of Values" on our ["Who we Are" webpage](#) to learn more.

Nominations are also judged on the following:

- Impact a project or person has had on an Illinois community
- Quality and degree of difficulty of the project
- Degree to which the project serves as an example of excellence in historic preservation and influences others
- Degree to which the project aligns with Landmarks Illinois' mission: *People Saving Places for People*
- Innovative solutions to preservation including, but not exclusive to: Creative partnerships or community engagement efforts, original programming, job creation or economic development, innovative adaptive reuse, best practices in sustainability or technologies that mitigate climate change, cultural sustainability or heritage conservation, and/or creative financing or funding sources

NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations will be accepted through an online nomination form on the [Landmarks Illinois Richard H. Driehaus Foundation Preservation Awards webpage at our website](#).

FEES

In order to encourage submittals, there is no application fee.

NOMINATION DEADLINE: JUNE 1, 2021

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