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Missouri Preservation Announces 2025 Honor Award Recipients

Non-profit organization the Missouri Alliance for Historic Preservation (Missouri Preservation) announces their 2025 list of Honor Award recipients.

May 5, 2026

On Tuesday, May 5, 2026 the Missouri Alliance for Historic Preservation (Missouri Preservation) presented its 2026 Honor Awards at a ceremony in Jefferson City in the Capitol first floor rotunda. A luncheon reception followed at the Millbottom Event Center.

This is the 46th annual Honor Awards held by Missouri Preservation. The Awards recognize people and projects that have advanced the field of Historic Preservation in Missouri. This year eleven recipients were recognized for their contributions, including individual building projects, long-term preservation initiatives, published works, and lifetime achievements.

About Missouri Preservation

Founded in 1976 as the Missouri Heritage Trust, Missouri Preservation has evolved into a respected grassroots network of individuals, organizations, and preservation commissions throughout Missouri. Missouri Preservation advocates for, educates about, and assists in the preservation of architectural and historic landmarks that embody Missouri's unique heritage and sense of place.

This year's award recipients are:

The Rozier Award

Named in honor of Elizabeth McReynolds Rozier, one of the founding members of Missouri Preservation and a noted Jefferson City Preservationist, the Rozier Award was established to recognize individuals who have made significant achievements in the field of historic preservation in Missouri. This is Missouri Preservation's most prestigious annual award.

Karen Bode Baxter
St. Louis City

Osmund Overby Award

The Overby Award was established to recognize published works that contribute to the documentation and interpretation of Missouri's architectural history. It honors Dr. Osmund

Overby, Art History Professor Emeritus and former head of the historic preservation program at the University of Missouri, Columbia. Dr. Overby was a founding member of Missouri Preservation, lifetime board and advisory member and a nationally recognized leader in historic preservation.

***Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis — An Illustrated Timeline* by John C. Guenther, FAIA,
LEED AP**

Wildwood, St. Louis County

McReynolds Awards

The McReynolds Awards, named in honor of Elizabeth McReynolds Rozier, are given annually to individuals or groups who have made significant achievements in the field or are in the midst of a long-term preservation project, creating synergy in the field of historic preservation. The McReynolds awards are among the most important awards given out each year by the organization.

Missouri State Capitol Restoration

Jefferson City, Cole County

Preserve Missouri Awards

The Preserve Missouri awards recognize the outstanding efforts and projects around the state. Suggested categories include, but are not limited to: Commercial Revitalization, Institutional/Civic Building Restoration, Neighborhood Revitalization, Residential Rehabilitation, Historic Landscape Preservation, Rural Preservation, and Preservationist-in-Action.

The Onion House

St. Louis City

Euclid East Condominiums

St. Louis City

Des Peres City Hall

Des Peres, St. Louis County

Bryant-Rothwell House

Liberty, Clay County

Truman Train Depot Restoration

Independence, Jackson County

Recess Inn Bed & Breakfast

Ethel, Macon County

George Washington Carver School | Carver School Apartments

Fulton, Callaway County

Buckner-Ragsdale Building

Cape Girardeau, Cape Girardeau County

Cape Girardeau County 1908 Courthouse Rehabilitation

Jackson, Cape Girardeau County

Follow this link to a complete listing with full text on each of our award recipients:
https://preservemo.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/05/Honor-Award-ProgramDigital_2026.pdf

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Missouri State Capitol Rehabilitation

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