

2026 Preservation Awards



Each year, The Georgia Trust recognizes significant contributions to the preservation of Georgia's historic resources. The awards are open to projects completed within the last three years. Nominations are reviewed by The Georgia Trust's Preservation Awards Committee. Their recommendations of award-worthy projects are presented to the Board of Trustees for final approval. Awards are presented at The Georgia Trust's Annual Award Ceremony held during the Spring Ramble.

CATEGORIES: RESTORATION



An accurate restoration project depicts the form, features and character of a historic building as it appeared at a particular period of time. Restoration requires sensitive upgrading of mechanical systems and other code-required work to make the site functional.

SUSTAINABLE REHABILITATION



This award recognizes excellent rehabilitation projects that also incorporate appropriate conservation and sustainable treatments to lessen a building's environmental impact while preserving significant features that convey its historic significance.



REHABILITATION

Rehabilitation projects make compatible use of a building through repair, alterations or additions while preserving significant features of the property that convey its historic value.



PRESERVATION SERVICE

Persons, groups, businesses and/or government entities that demonstrate exemplary activities and promotion of awareness in the field of historic preservation are recognized through this award.



PRESERVATION

This category recognizes the appropriate preservation of historic resources and creative interpretations of historic sites.



STEWARDSHIP

This award recognizes those who ensure the preservation of historic properties through long-term care and maintenance, stabilization, protection or continuous family ownership.

Additionally, the Awards Committee will select the recipient of the **Marguerite Williams Award**, The Georgia Trust's top honor. This award is given to one of this year's award recipients (person or project) that had the greatest impact on preservation in the State of Georgia. All nominees are considered for this award, no additional nomination is needed.

Nominations must be emailed or postmarked by Monday, December 15, 2025

Email or mail nominations to:

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Project Eligibility Requirements:

- Project must be located within the state of Georgia.
- Project must be complete. Only projects completed within the past three years will be considered.
- Project must be listed or eligible for listing in the [National Register of Historic Places](#).
- Project should meet [The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties](#).

Nomination Requirements:

- **Form.** Completed nomination form.
- **Description.** If nominating a project, provide responses about the building's architectural style, history, date of construction, and details about the restoration/rehabilitation work. Also address the impact the project had in its surrounding community, and list any grants or tax incentives that helped make the project possible.
If nominating a person or group, provide an overview of all that the nominee has accomplished in the field of historic preservation, with specific examples of their contributions to preservation in Georgia. Please **limit responses** to the space provided.
- **Photographs.** A minimum of 15 and maximum of 30 high-resolution digital images. Please share **individual image files in JPG format, at least 300 dpi. DO NOT submit images in a Word document, PowerPoint or PDF file.** Please provide a list of images with short captions and credits for each image submitted. For projects: if possible, include an overall view, at least two before images, two after images (taken from the same orientation as the before images), one historical image, close-ups of architectural details, and photos of both interior and exterior details. These images need to give the Awards Committee an accurate impression of the project, a range of views both close-up and far away are extremely helpful. For a person or group: A minimum of 10 high-resolution digital images. Please provide a photo of the person or group and, if possible, photos that demonstrate their work/achievements.
*Images are non-returnable. **Submission of images by nominator constitutes a release-agreement allowing The Georgia Trust to use images** for publication on The Georgia Trust website, in newsletters, press announcements, etc. If a professional photographer is used to take images, nominator should obtain a release from the photographer allowing The Georgia Trust to use the images in a similar manner.*
- **Fee.** \$75 application fee. Please make checks payable to *The Georgia Trust* or [pay online here](#). (Nonprofit organizations and government agencies pay a discounted fee of \$25)
- **Submission.** Nominations submitted electronically are encouraged. File sharing platforms such as Dropbox, Google Drive* or others may be used to share images. (*If using Google Drive, please email/share with georgiatruthp@gmail.com.)
If submitted by mail, a hard copy and an electronic version of the nomination form and description must be submitted. Electronic material must be on a jump drive. Materials that were not created electronically should be scanned for submittal. Hardcopies of images are not required.

Nominators and award recipients will be notified approximately one month prior to the 2026 Preservation Awards Ceremony. All are welcome to attend the Preservation Awards Ceremony which will be part of The Georgia Trust's [Spring Ramble](#) in Marietta, GA on Saturday, April 25, 2026.

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Project Name OR Person/group nominated: _____

Category of nomination: (See descriptions on first page. If unsure, the committee will determine the best choice)

Restoration

Preservation

Rehabilitation

Preservation Service

Sustainable Rehabilitation

Stewardship

Did this project utilize Federal or State Rehabilitation Tax Credits? Yes No

Nominator

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Information on the Project OR Person/group being nominated

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Property Owner *(if applicable and not listed above)*

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Contact person for site visit

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Additional project contributors: Please provide names and contact information for additional project contributors where indicated on following pages.

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History

Briefly describe the architectural style, date of construction, history and significance of the property for nominated projects.

Description

If nominating a project, describe the restoration/rehabilitation work undertaken and describe how it complied with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for nominated projects.

If nominating a person/group, provide an overview of all that the nominee has accomplished in the field of historic preservation, with specific examples of their contributions to preservation in Georgia.

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Challenges and Accomplishments

What was the biggest challenge faced during the project or for the person/group being nominated and how was it overcome? Include any other noteworthy accomplishments.

Impact

Address the impact the project/person/group has had on the surrounding community and list any grants or tax incentives that helped make nominated projects possible.

Additional Project Contributors

Please provide **names** and **email addresses** of architects, contractors, designers, and other professionals involved with nominated projects and indicate their contribution to the project.