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**The Oil Heritage Region
Historic Preservation Awards
Program was created to:**

- ◆ Recognize projects that represent the appropriate standards of preservation, restoration, and rehabilitation.
- ◆ Acknowledge individuals and groups for initiatives, services, or commitment to the preservation of historic structures.
- ◆ Create an advocacy for historic preservation through a greater public awareness of the built environment.
- ◆ Enhance a region-wide preservation ethic in both the public and private sectors.

Recipients of the 2009 Oil Heritage Region Historic Preservation Awards will be recognized at a dinner that will be held at the University of Pittsburgh, Titusville Campus, during the 10th Annual Victorian Architecture and its Preservation Conference, on Saturday, May 9.

Definitions of Eligible Projects:

Preservation - Maintaining an existing historic property through maintenance or repair of original materials and features, when possible, rather than replacement or new construction.

Rehabilitation - Providing an appropriate use for a property through repair, alterations, and additions, while preserving features of historical value.

Restoration - Returning a property to its original appearance at a particular period of time by repair, removal of features that are inappropriate, and reconstruction.

***Awards will be presented
in the following categories:***

Enhancement Projects: Restoration and/or rehabilitation of exterior elements and appropriate use of colors, signs, awnings, and other exterior amenities.

Preservation Initiative: Service or commitment by an individual, group, or business which promotes the preservation of the built environment.

Preservation Stewardship: Sensitive long term care of an historic structure.

Reconstruction: Restoration or substantial rehabilitation of an historic building.

Residences: Restoration or rehabilitation of historic single or multifamily residences.

Structures: Restoration or rehabilitation of an historic resource that is not a building.

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Nomination Form

Nominations are due March 15, 2009. Anyone may submit a nomination. To do so, complete an application form and mail it to:

Oil Region Alliance
Attn: Historic Preservation Awards
P.O. Box 128
Oil City, PA 16301

Any individuals and structures in the Oil Heritage Region are eligible. This includes all of Venango County, the City of Titusville, the Borough of Hydetown and Oil Creek Township in Crawford County.

Eligible structures include commercial, residential, industrial, public, religious, or other properties. Structures must be at least 50 years old. They need not qualify for "National Register" listing, but must be of recognized historical or architectural value.

Interior work in public buildings and/or exterior work is eligible.

Construction or enhancement projects must have been completed in the last five years to be eligible.

Once a project has received a Historic Preservation Award, it is not eligible to receive another award for five years.