



2026 River Forest Historic Preservation Awards Nomination Form

The River Forest Historic Preservation Commission supports and encourages homeowners, builders and other professionals who help preserve the historic character of our Village. Accordingly, the Commission has established a program of awards intended to recognize outstanding achievement and support historic preservation. **All awards are limited to the exterior of structures; interior improvements or renovations are not eligible.**

Nominations must be received at Village Hall, 400 Park Avenue, Attention: HPC Awards, or via email to lmaseila@vrf.us on or before October 2nd, 2026.

Applications will be reviewed and awards will be announced at an upcoming Commission meeting. Awards are not guaranteed to be given every year. Multiple awards may be given in a year.

Awards

Laurel McMahon Restoration Award

The Restoration Award is presented by the Historic Preservation Commission in recognition of an outstanding achievement (completed since January 1, 2017) in returning the exterior of a structure to its original design and condition by repairing or replacing the original architectural detail and materials. The Secretary of Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation shall serve as a guide for the Commission.

Streetscape Compatibility Award

The Streetscape Compatibility Award is presented by the Historic Preservation Commission in recognition of an outstanding achievement (completed since January 1, 2017) in building a new structure (or addition) in an architectural style and scale that is compatible with its surrounding historic streetscape.

Adaptive Reuse Award

The Adaptive Reuse Award is presented by the Historic Preservation Commission in recognition of an outstanding achievement (completed since January 1, 2017) in altering a structure's use to meet contemporary needs in a manner that retains the structure's viability while respecting its original architectural character and design.

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Architectural Details Award

The Architectural Details Award is presented by the Historic Preservation Commission in recognition of an outstanding achievement (completed since January 1, 2017) in restoring an exterior detail element of the structure. Examples of exterior detail elements would include porches, brackets, architectural trim and stained/leaded glass. The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation shall serve as a guide for the Commission.

Renovation Award

The Renovation Award is presented by the Historic Preservation Commission in recognition of a historically sensitive renovation or addition to a structure (completed since January 1, 2017) in the Village that enables continued and/or expanding use.

Jeanette Fields Award of Merit

The Award of Merit is presented by the Historic Preservation Commission in recognition of an outstanding exterior-related achievement (completed since January 1, 2017) which is outside the scope of the other awards.

This form may be completed and submitted by the property owner or by any third party interested in nominating a property for an award.

Any questions, please contact Luke Masella, at lmasella@vrf.us or 708-714-3526

**PROPERTY INFORMATION**

Address of Property

PROPERTY OWNER INFORMATION

Name of Owner

Mailing Address

Primary Telephone Number

Secondary Telephone Number

Email Address

Form Prepared by

CONSTRUCTION INFORMATION

Date of Original Construction

Architect

Builder

Original Owner

NOMINATED WORK

Architect/Designer

Builder/Contractor

Description of Work

Please attach any Before/After Photographs (to be retained by Commission.)_____
Signature_____
Date