

Announcing the 2025 Preservation Awards

The City Planning Department is pleased to announce the return of the City of San Diego's Preservation Awards!

The Historical Resources Board and City of San Diego wishes to recognize preservation projects, activities, and people with an outstanding commitment to historic preservation. The winners will be announced in May to commemorate National Historic Preservation Month and will be celebrated at the May Historical Resources Board meeting.

Projects must be located in the city limits and have been substantially completed between January and December 2024 to be nominated. Rehabilitation projects must follow the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation.

Nominations must be received no later than Friday February 28, 2025, and should be submitted using the online form submission.

Nominations will be accepted under the following categories:

• Preservation Projects

- o Rehabilitation or Restoration Projects
- o Adaptive reuse of historic buildings, structures, sites, or cultural landscapes
- Archaeology Projects

Preservation Activities

- Activities related to the identification, protection, and interpretation of historic or tribal/cultural resources.
- Innovative efforts in historic preservation education, public outreach, or interpretive programs.
- Local, State, and National Register nominations that significantly contribute to our knowledge of historic resources and/or contexts.
- Projects that demonstrate new or novel approaches to the protection of historic and/or prehistoric archaeological sites.
- o Exemplary historical research projects, including oral histories.
- o Exemplary stewardship of historic places.

People in Preservation

- Organizations or individuals who have shown exemplary leadership or dedication to preservation. (Nominations of those individuals and groups working at a grassroots level are especially encouraged)
- Eligible nominees will have made significant contributions over time to the advancement of historic preservation and/or the preservation of historical resources in San Diego.
- o Individuals may not self-nominate.

Special consideration will be given to preservation projects and activities that:

- Add additional housing units to an existing site through adaptive reuse, rehabilitation, or new construction on a historic site.
- Demonstrate and promote sustainability and/or climate change resiliency.
- Broaden the ethnic and cultural diversity of historic preservation activities.

How to Apply

Nominations will be accepted **by email** between January 1, 2025 and February 28, 2025.

Download the nomination form here.

Questions?

Email historicplanning@sandiego.gov