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Maine Preservation Recognizes Excellence in Preservation at the 2023 Honor Awards Ceremony

Statewide Nonprofit's Annual Honor Awards celebrates 10 rehabilitation projects and one preservation advocate

Yarmouth, ME — March 23, 2023. On March 22, Maine Preservation held a ceremony for its annual Honor Awards at the Maine Maritime Museum. Since 1998, the organization has celebrated excellence in historic preservation, focusing on the transformative rehabilitation of historic buildings and the people that make those projects possible.

This year's honorees include Abraham Robinson Block in Portland, Stevens Square Community Center in Portland, The Hammond in Bangor, The Lemont Block in Brunswick, Marguerite Emerson House in Portland, River House in Norridgewock, Building 12 in Portland, Founders Hall in Pittsfield, Freeport Historical Society, Isle au Haut Lighthouse, and Judy Barrington of Bath.

“Amidst the unprecedented challenges of the last few years, the stewards of Maine’s past have persisted,” said Tara Kelly, executive director of Maine Preservation. “These dedicated professionals, determined organizations, and passionate individuals pushed through to make a lasting impact on the state’s historic built environment. We honor those efforts in our historic urban cores and across our rural landscapes and picturesque coastline.”

The awards program celebrates the grassroots efforts of Mainers advocating for important places in their communities, the creative activation of underused open spaces, the long haulers who steward historic buildings across the state, and the legacy businesses that serve as cornerstones of Maine’s downtowns. It is through these projects and people that the cultural and economic vitality of Maine is strengthened for the future.

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For more information on each honoree, visit: www.maine Preservation.org/honor-awards

About Maine Preservation

Maine Preservation is the only statewide, nonprofit membership organization promoting and preserving historic places, buildings, downtowns and neighborhoods, and strengthening the cultural and economic vitality of Maine communities.