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**SECRETARY GALVIN ANNOUNCES 40TH ANNUAL PRESERVATION AWARDS
PROGRAM**

Secretary of the Commonwealth William F. Galvin, Chairman of the Massachusetts Historical Commission, is pleased to announce that the Commission is accepting nominations for the 40th Annual Preservation Awards Program.

Administered by the Massachusetts Historical Commission, the Preservation Awards Program recognizes preservation projects and individuals that have displayed an outstanding commitment to historic preservation in Massachusetts. Projects completed in the years 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2017 are eligible for consideration. The MHC encourages local historical commissions and societies, preservation professionals, and individuals to nominate outstanding preservation projects for this honor. Nominations must be received at the MHC's office in the State Archives Building by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, February 20, 2018. Emailed nominations cannot be accepted.

"The MHC's Preservation Awards Program highlights the important contributions of individuals and organizations to the preservation of historic resources in Massachusetts," Secretary Galvin said. "This is an excellent opportunity to recognize a significant historic preservation accomplishment in your community. I encourage everyone to nominate exemplary projects or outstanding individuals that have demonstrated an outstanding commitment to preservation."

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The MHC accepts nominations in the following categories:

- Adaptive Reuse
- Archaeology
- Education and Outreach
- Individual Lifetime Achievement (20 or more years of exemplary service to historic preservation in Massachusetts)
- Landscape Preservation
- Local Preservationist
- Rehabilitation and Restoration
- Stewardship

Nomination forms and guidelines for the 40th Annual Preservation Awards are available on Secretary Galvin's website, www.sec.state.ma.us/mhc or by calling at 617-727-8470.

The Massachusetts Historical Commission is the office of the State Historic Preservation Officer and the State Archaeologist. It was established in 1963 to identify, evaluate, and protect important historical and archaeological assets of the Commonwealth.

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