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Helping people protect and preserve the historic places that matter to them

Last Call for Nominations to Pennsylvania At Risk 2014

The deadline for nominating endangered historic properties to *Pennsylvania At Risk* is this Friday, October 31. This list draws attention to the important historic places that are threatened across Pennsylvania, and helps us to identify and focus on the issues that cause this endangerment. At Risk resources become priorities for Preservation Pennsylvania's attention, involvement and resources until the threat has been overcome or the resource is lost.



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"Fairmount Park Visitors Center"

To nominate a property to *Pennsylvania At Risk*, we ask that you [download the nomination form](#) and complete it as much as possible. But please [contact Erin Hammerstedt](#) with your ideas and suggestions even if you do not have sufficient information to complete the nomination form.

[Preservation Alliance for Greater Philadelphia - Places to Save](#)

Last week, the Preservation Alliance for Greater Philadelphia announced their new "Places to Save" list. For the next several months, their advocacy efforts will be focused on preserving the Mount Moriah Cemetery Gatehouse (PA At Risk 2004), the Legendary Blue Horizon boxing arena (PA At Risk 2013), the William Penn Inn and the Fairmount Park Welcome Center. To support their efforts, please [click here](#) to view and sign a petition for the Blue Horizon, and [click here](#) to sign a petition to help save the Welcome Center.

Young Preservationists Association of Pittsburgh - Top 10 Preservation Opportunities

The Young Preservationists Association of Pittsburgh also announced their list of the Top 10 Preservation Opportunities in southwestern Pennsylvania last week. To learn more about these resources, which range from a candy store to a pedestrian bridge and beyond, visit [YPA on Facebook](#).

Preservation Pennsylvania encourages the use of local endangered property lists as a preservation tool. If you have a list of endangered historic properties in your area, or are thinking of starting an endangered properties program, please [contact Erin Hammerstedt](#).

Pennsylvania Historic Preservation Awards

On Friday, September 26, Preservation Pennsylvania hosted the annual Pennsylvania Historic Preservation Awards luncheon at Juniata College in Huntingdon. Many wonderful individuals, organizations and projects were recognized and celebrated at this event.



After the awards luncheon, F. Otto Haas award recipient

Paul Heberling led a tour of archaeological resources in Huntingdon and the Juniata Valley, which was attended by Preservation Pennsylvania board members, staff and guests. The day ended with a pizza dinner featuring local foods prepared in a restored masonry bake oven at

[McBurney Manor](#) in McAlevy's Fort. It was a wonderful day celebrating many preservation successes.



PA Historic Preservation Tax Credit Application Date - December 5, 2014

The opening application date for Pennsylvania's FY 2014-2015 Historic Preservation Tax Credit is Friday, December 5, 2014. The program operates on a first-come, first-served basis with equitable regional distribution, so it is strongly recommended that you submit your application on December 5.

Application information can be found [here](#). The program is administered by the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED), with assistance in certifying the applications by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission (PHMC).

Historic Properties for Sale

Preservation Pennsylvania's Historic Properties for Sale website is growing, as is the diversity of the properties listed. From fixer-uppers to restored homes to grand mansions, there are properties available for anyone interested in owning a piece of Pennsylvania's history.

Please [click here](#) to view the current listings.

[Contact Erin Hammerstedt](#) if you would like to list a property on our website.



Community Conversations

The Laurel Highlands Conservation Landscape is sponsoring a workshop for citizens of the Laurel Highlands to discuss the exceptional quality of some area streams and provide information about how to protect them. The last of these workshops will held on October 29 at Lamonica's Restaurant near Boswell (between Johnstown and Somerset), beginning with networking and dinner from 5-7 followed by a workshop from 7-9. For more information or to RSVP for this workshop, please contact Brad Clemenon at bclemenson@pecpa.org or (814) 659-3465.

There is a demonstrated connection between historic preservation, conservation and recreation. This [video](#) featuring Pittsburgh actor, resident and activist David Conrad talks about a vision to create the "Rough Diamond" trail network in southwestern Pennsylvania that would enhance economic development and rehabilitation efforts throughout the region. Wherever you are, please get out and support trail development efforts in your area as a means of encouraging outdoor recreation, heritage tourism and historic preservation.

Shippensburg University student Megan Mcnamee is preparing a survey that will be sent out to select municipalities in the next week or two. The survey is intended to help us understand what preservation tools are being utilized locally across the Commonwealth, and how effective these tools are. We ask that you please check with your municipal staff and encourage them to complete the survey. By providing us with important information, this valuable tool has the ability to help strengthen the preservation movement throughout Pennsylvania.





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