

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

City of West Palm Beach | 2026 Historic Preservation Awards

In celebration of [National Historic Preservation Month](#), the City of West Palm Beach Historic Preservation Section and the Historic Preservation Board are proud to recognize outstanding preservation efforts that help protect and enhance our community's historic character. We invite you to submit a completed Awards Nomination Form, along with supporting documentation, to nominate a successful preservation project or impactful individual or organization in one of the four award categories. All submissions must be received no later than 5:00 PM on Wednesday, May 20, 2026.

CATEGORIES:

Rehabilitation

Recognizes the successful rehabilitation of a property in accordance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards. Projects may include thoughtful additions, repair, or appropriate replacement of historic materials, as well as exterior improvements that preserve and respect the building's historic character and integrity.

Infill Design

Acknowledges compatible new construction within a local historic district that successfully "fills in the gap" of an existing historic streetscape. Infill projects should complement the surrounding context in terms of massing, size, scale, and architectural character while maintaining the district's overall visual harmony.

Craftsmanship / Handyman

Honors exceptional skill and artistry in traditional construction techniques or methods. This may include woodworking, wrought-iron work, masonry, or the creation of other architectural elements. This category also recognizes individuals who have skillfully repaired or restored distinctive features of a structure, such as wood windows, siding, or decorative details.

Service

Recognizes an individual or organization that has made a meaningful impact on the community through advocacy, education, or dedicated service in support of historic preservation.

MINIMUM CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY:

The property must be either located within a designated historic district or individually listed on the West Palm Beach Register of Historic Places, and the project must have been completed within the last 5 years.

JUDGING:

The Historic Preservation Board will serve as the official judging panel. Award recipients will be announced at the Board's meeting on May 27, 2026. Selections will be based on the overall quality, significance, and/or uniqueness of the nominated project or individual.

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DEADLINE:

5:00 PM
Wednesday,
May 20, 2026

SUBMIT TO:

Submit applications electronically via email to Historic Preservation Staff:
Jordan Hodges, City Historic Preservation Planner: jhodges@wpb.org
Antony Mendez, Preservation Planner: rmendez@wpb.org

ITEMS FOR PANEL REVIEW:

- Completed Nomination Form**
- Letter** explaining why the nominee merits recognition (max. 2 pages). Please include background on the project, property, or individual, along with its impact on the community.
- Photographs** of the property that convey the significance of the project. Before and after photos are recommended.
- Letters of Support** (optional)
- Plans / Drawings** (optional)

CATEGORY:

- Rehabilitation**
- Infill Design**
- Craftsmanship / Handyman**
- Service**

Nominee (Project Address or Name of Individual/Organization): _____

Property Owner: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ **Email Address:** _____

Nomination Submitted by: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ **Email Address:** _____

Signature

Date