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Greenwich Historical Society Seeks Local Homes for 2016 Landmark Recognition Program

Residents Encouraged to Submit Homes that Embody the Town's Architectural Heritage from Classic Cape Cods to Stately Tudors

Cos Cob, CT, September 30, 2015--The Greenwich Historical Society announced today it is seeking nominations for its annual Landmark Recognition Program. Established in 1987, the program is committed to celebrating Greenwich's fine architectural heritage as a means to encourage preservation. Nearly 300 town buildings, including homes, commercial buildings and structures, have been recognized with Landmark plaques since the program's inception.

"With our town's 375 birthday this year, we have a wonderful opportunity and responsibility to recognize the fine homes and structures that have made Greenwich such a desirable place to live over the years," says Robin Kencel, chairperson of the Landmark Program. "We're seeking a wide variety of architectural styles that embody our heritage, from 17th century charming saltboxes to mid-century modern homes."

According to Kencel, who is in her second year as chairperson of the Landmark's program, selection criteria are centered on design excellence and authenticity. Homes, buildings and structures must be at least 50 years old and exhibit:

- Rigorous architectural style and design that fits well into the landscape and is suited to its environment
- High quality building materials
- Well-proportioned and designed exterior with a sense of scale and detail that complements the style of the structure.

Applications for nominating homes and buildings are available by contacting Christopher Shields, archivist, at the Greenwich Historical Society at cshields@greenwichhistory.org or by calling (203) 869-6899. The deadline for nominations is October 16.

Selection Committee Features Top Architects and Historians

Architects Ira Grandberg and Amanda Martocchio, art historian John Dixon, preservation architect Rose Scott Long, and architectural photographer Michael Biondo will select four structures to receive the 2015 Plaque. Presentations will be made at a gala reception at the Greenwich Country Club on April 26, 2016.

The Greenwich Landmark Recognition program is generously supported by David Ogilvy Associates, an exclusive affiliate of Christie's International Real Estate, and Charles Hilton Architects.

About the Greenwich Landmark Recognition Program

The Landmark Recognition Program was begun in 1987 by the Greenwich Historical Society. Originally known as "Signs of the Times," its purpose is to inspire the public to connect personally with Greenwich's past through the recognition of architecturally noteworthy structures and thereby to encourage their preservation. Nearly 300 homes, commercial buildings and structures have been recognized with plaques for depicting the town's rich cultural heritage since the program's inception. Each plaqued property is professionally researched, documented and preserved in the Historical Society's Archives. Over the years, these documents have been popular with homeowners, researchers and scholars, as well as architects, builders and real estate professionals.

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