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**PRESERVATION IDAHO’S 46TH ANNUAL ORCHIDS & ONIONS AWARDS**

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

**NOMINATION DEADLINE: SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 2023**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Brittney Scigliano, Board President, at info@preservationidaho.org or (208) 424-5111.

Boise, Idaho – Since 1977, Preservation Idaho has hosted the Orchids and Onions Awards, an event ceremony designed to celebrate individuals and organizations that have contributed positively to historic preservation, as well as to bring awareness to those projects that have shown insensitivity to Idaho’s cultural history. To do this, we need your help! We want to hear from our community about what preservation projects you think are worthy of celebrating.

**Orchids are granted to outstanding examples of preservation projects or practices in the following categories:**

- Excellence in Historic Preservation
- Contribution to Historic Preservation
- Preservation-Sensitive New Construction
- Cultural Heritage Preservation
- Friend of Preservation
- Distinguished Preservationist
- Heritage Stewardship
- Scott Chandler Award for Excellence in Craftsmanship

**Onions:** Onions are awarded to projects that jeopardize Idaho’s cultural resources.

**Evaluation and selection:** An independent review committee will be appointed to review nominations. The committee will be made up of preservationists, historians, and architects who will review and evaluate nominations for suitability in their category.

**Awards ceremony:** Award recipients will be honored at the 46th Annual Orchids and Onions Awards Ceremony in Boise, Idaho at TRICA on July 22, 2023. A special thanks to TRICA for sponsoring the venue for this important event. For more information visit the event’s page at https://www.preservationidaho.org/orchids-onions.
Award recipient benefits:

- A custom award suitable for framing and of archival quality (giclée print)
- With each nomination submitted, two (2) complimentary tickets to the awards ceremony will be made available to the awardee. Additional tickets may be purchased from Preservation Idaho.
- Award presentation photo with Preservation Idaho President
- Inclusion in awardee press releases
- Recognition on Preservation Idaho website and e-newsletter
- Award ceremony with PowerPoint presentation of the project or individual
- Facebook and Instagram spotlight story with pictures and link to awardee’s website

Nomination form and description of Orchid award criteria can be found here:
https://static1.squarespace.com/static/581a73bc725e2564e2e7cc41/t/6449b5904103b051635f1a65/168255209760/Nomination-application2023.pdf

Nomination fee: $50.00 per submission (not including fees).

Past recipients can be found here: https://www.preservationidaho.org/oo-archive.

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PRESERVATION IDAHO

Preservation Idaho (PI) was founded in 1972 and is dedicated to preserving Idaho’s historic places through collaboration, education, and advocacy. Established in 1972 by a group of Idahoans concerned with the alarming rate at which historic sites and resources in Idaho were being lost, these individuals created an organization that enabled members of the public to unite toward the preservation of Idaho’s historic built environment. With mounting pressure from development and a continuously growing and changing population in the state, it is now more necessary than ever to preserve historic and cultural resources, promote the smart reuse of historic facilities, and to educate the community at large on the value of Idaho’s heritage. PI (Idaho Historic Preservation Council, Inc.) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. PI funds its education and advocacy work through memberships, donations, sponsorships, and grants. To learn more about PI, visit preservationidaho.org.