Preservation Iowa Presents Awards for Excellence in Preservation

HAMPTON, IA – October 1, 2011 – Preservation Iowa announced their annual Preservation at Its Best Awards at Hampton’s historic Windsor Theater during “An Evening Like It Used To Be”. The event, co-sponsored with the Windsor Theatre Development Corporation, the Franklin County Arts Council, Franklin County Tourism, the Hampton Chamber of Commerce, highlighted movie nostalgia and Iowa’s historic theater heritage in an effort to promote “Hollywood in the Heartland”, a statewide theater survey conducted by Preservation Iowa and the State Historic Preservation Office.

Preservation Iowa awarded ten awards in eight categories. “Each year, in partnership with the Iowa Gaming Association, Preservation Iowa seeks to honor historic preservation successes. In doing so, we hope to inspire others to take action to preserve, protect, and promote Iowa’s historic resources” commented Preservation Iowa’s Executive Director, Vince Lintz.

Awards presented included: (additional project information on subsequent pages)

**Adaptive Use:**
- Project: Cathedral Square Lofts  
  Recipients: Epic Construction/B&C Cathedral Development

**Commercial:** (2)
- Project: Hedge Building  
  Recipient: Becky Anderson
- Project: IOOF Oddfellow’s Building  
  Recipient: Arch Icon Development

**Community Effort:**
- Project: Machine & Blacksmith Shop  
  Recipients: Siouxland Historical Railroad Association  
  City of Sioux City

**Public Structure:**
- Project: Dubuque Shot Tower Restoration  
  Recipient: City of Dubuque

**Residential:**
- Project: White Street Condominiums Project  
  Recipient: Horsfall Construction & Design

**Rural Preservation:**
- Project: Kent Union Chapel  
  Recipient: Brooklyn Community Foundation

**Sustainability in Preservation:** (2)
- Project: The Roshek Building  
  Recipients: Dubuque Initiatives, Inc./Gronen Restoration
- Project: Historic City Hall Restoration  
  Recipient: Historic Valley Junction Foundation  
  City of West Des Moines

**Special Project:**
- Project: *The Dubuque Shot Tower* (book)  
  Recipient: John Adelmann, editor

About Preservation Iowa: Preservation Iowa is the statewide nonprofit historic preservation organization dedicated to advocacy, education and creation of partnerships that enhance our economic and cultural future through the preservation of Iowa’s historic resources.

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2011 Preservation at Its Best Awards List:

Adaptive Use:
Project: Cathedral Square Lofts
Recipient: Epic Construction/B&C Cathedral Development
Community: Dubuque
Project Description: Adaptive use and rehabilitation of the 1905 former St. Raphael’s Cathedral School building into 24 mixed income apartments with the main floor being maintained as office space.

Commercial:
Project: Hedge Building
Recipient: Becky Anderson
Community: Burlington
Project Description: Restoration and rehabilitation of Charles Dunham’s 1881 Hedge Building in downtown Burlington with office space on the main floor and residential units on the 2nd and 3rd floors.

Commercial:
Project: IOOF Oddfellows Building
Recipient: Arch Icon Development
Community: Woodbine
Project Description: Rehabilitation of the 1878 former IOOF Oddfellow Lodge and adjacent 1901 Siebel’s Department Store has brought a full service restaurant, added new jobs, office spaces and offered upper floor living alternatives in downtown Woodbine.

Community Effort:
Project: Machine & Blacksmith Shop – Milwaukee Railroad Shops Historic District
Recipient: Siouxland Historical Railroad Association/City of Sioux City
Community: Sioux City
Project Description: Rehabilitation of the Machine & Blacksmith Shop which is part of a staged, multi-phased plan to renovate and redevelop the form Milwaukee Railroad Shops as a museum and historical attraction. This property was listed on Preservation Iowa’s 2000 Most Endangered Property List.

Public Structure:
Project: Dubuque Shot Tower Restoration
Recipient: City of Dubuque
Community: Dubuque
Project Description: Restoration of 1856 Dubuque Shot Tower as a landmark of the City of Dubuque and unique element of the city’s America’s River project at the Port of Dubuque.

Residential:
Project: White Street Condominium Project
Recipient: Horsfall Construction & Design
Community: Dubuque
Project Description: Through innovative local partnerships, the long-derelict historic apartment building located across from Prescott Elementary School was converted from an eyesore slated for demolition into a 5-unit source of pride for the community.
Rural Preservation:
Project: Kent Union Chapel Rehabilitation
Recipient: Brooklyn Community Foundation/Magee Construction
Community: Brooklyn
Project Description: Restoration and rehabilitation of the 1909 Kent Union Chapel to reestablish its use as a “union chapel” in rural Poweshiek County.

Sustainability in Preservation:
Project: The Roshek Building
Recipient: Dubuque Initiatives, Inc./Gronen Restoration, Inc.
Community: Dubuque
Project Description: Rehabilitation of the 9-story former Roshek Brothers Department Store. This National Register property is seeking LEED Gold certification and is now home to IBM who created over 1,300 new jobs in the Roshek Building.

Sustainability in Preservation:
Project: Historic City Hall
Recipient: Historic Valley Junction Foundation/City of West Des Moines
Community: West Des Moines
Project Description: Restoration and rehabilitation of 1905 historic West Des Moines City Hall. This National Register property is seeking LEED Gold certification and is now home to the Historic Valley Junction Foundation, welcome center and community classrooms.

Special Project:
Project: The Dubuque Shot Tower (book)
Recipient: John Adelmann, editor
Community: Peosta
Project Description: Written, and researched by high school “student historians, this first-of-a-kind book helps preserve the Shot Tower’s legacy by positioning it in the larger narrative of our nation’s past and presents a fresh account that is greater than the sum of the structure’s myths and legends.