

THE ADVOCATE FOR NEW YORK CITY'S HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOODS

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## HISTORIC DISTRICTS COUNCIL TO HONOR Jeff Greene and EverGreene Architectural Arts AT 29TH ANNUAL LANDMARKS LION AWARD AWARDS

## Monday, October 23, 2017 AT 6:30 PM

New York, NY – The Historic Districts Council (HDC), the citywide advocate for New York's historic neighborhoods, will present its annual Landmarks Lion Award to Jeff Greene and EverGreene Architectural Arts on Monday, October 23rd at the University Club. "Jeff has been pivotal in restoring some of New York City's most beloved landmarks to their proper glory", said Simeon Bankoff, HDC's executive director.

Considered one of the foremost experts in the country in both traditional and innovative techniques for murals, ornamental plaster and decorative finishes, Mr. Greene established EverGreene Architectural Arts in 1978, at a time when many traditional methods of artistry and decoration had become all but lost in America. In order to learn and revive Old World techniques such as lime fresco painting and the creation of the gypsum-based faux marble known as scagliola, Jeff sought out master craftsmen and artists around the world, studied old publications and experimented tirelessly. He rose to national prominence by being chosen to design and paint the *Westward Expansion* series of murals in a 100-foot-long corridor of the United States Capitol.

Closer to home, EverGreene Architectural Arts has performed restorations on the Loew's Kings Theater, the Eldridge Street Synagogue and Grace Church, to name just a few. Fittingly, the Landmarks Lion Award will be presented at the McKim, Mead and White-designed University Club, in which EverGreene has performed extensive restoration work, including its first floor library and on-going work on the ceiling of the Main Dining Room.

For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit www.hdc.org or dial (212) 614-9107.

## About the Historic Districts Council

The Historic Districts Council (HDC) is the advocate for all of New York City's historic neighborhoods.

Our mission is to ensure the preservation of significant historic neighborhoods, buildings and public spaces in New York City, uphold the integrity of New York City's Landmarks Law, and further the preservation ethic.

We work directly with people who care about our city's historic neighborhoods and buildings, and represent a constituency of over 500 local community organizations across all five boroughs.

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