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## Program

Thursday, May 11, 2006  
St. Mark's Church-in-the-Bowery  
East 10<sup>th</sup> Street and Second Avenue  
St. Mark's Historic District

**Welcome**      Simeon Bankoff *Executive Director*

**Introduction**    David Goldfarb *President*

### **Presentation of Grassroots Preservation Awards**

Simeon Bankoff  
Nicholas Evans-Cato  
James Ferreri  
Paul Graziano  
Jack Taylor  
Susan Tunick

### **Closing Remarks**

Simeon Bankoff

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## GRASSROOTS PRESERVATION AWARDS

Successful historic preservation in New York City requires a collaboration among many parties, including the public, government agencies and businesses. Without public support, even the most well-intentioned and farsighted public policy cannot be implemented, and without governmental guidance even the most organized and well-funded private efforts are doomed to fail.

With these awards, HDC attempts to recognize, honor and encourage the public participants of the preservation process. These are the individuals and organizations that give their time, effort and support to holding up their part of the preservation collaboration. By working with, supporting and cajoling public decision-makers, these grassroots preservationists form the foundation of all our work. In 2000, HDC gave the first annual Grassroots Preservation Awards to recognize their outstanding efforts.

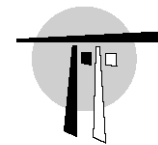
In addition, the awards include two special categories, “Friend in High Places” and “Friend from the Media,” to honor and acknowledge the dedication and support of officials and the press who encourage the cause of historic preservation throughout the city. These awards help recognize some of the public’s important preservation partners. Without support from elected representatives or the fourth estate, few community-based preservation efforts would ever bear fruit.

## AWARDS

### The Coalition to Save the Austin, Nichols and Company Warehouse Williamsburg, Brooklyn

The Coalition to Save the Austin, Nichols and Company Warehouse worked tirelessly to preserve this iconic, Cass Gilbert-designed Williamsburg structure. The group, which includes neighborhood and building residents, architects and professional preservationists, successfully lobbied New York City’s Landmarks Preservation Commission to have the ANCW designated as a landmark. The group enlisted the help of Gilbert scholars nationwide, launched multiple petitions and postcard campaigns, held rallies and helped to create a citywide buzz on the designation—and about the subsequent overturning of the landmarking by the City Council.

Presented by Simeon Bankoff

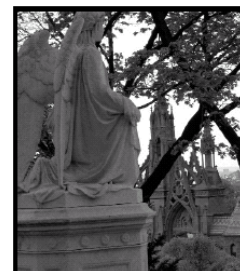


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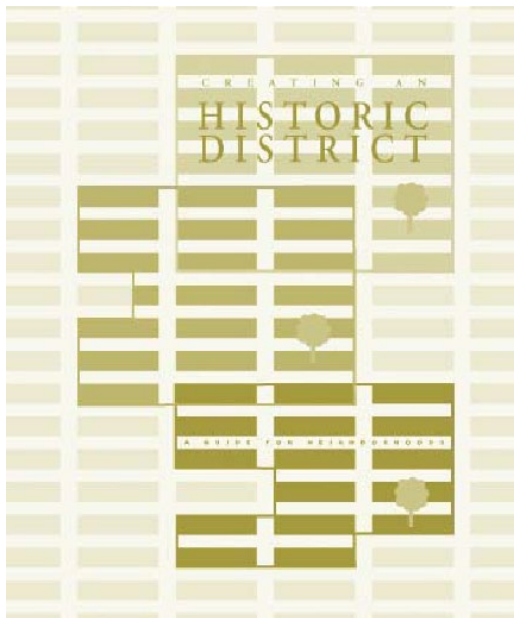
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## **Creating an Historic District: A Guide for Neighborhoods**

This practical guide to getting buildings and neighborhoods designated as New York City landmarks and historic districts is a unique resource for anyone interested in preserving their neighborhood. Sections detail the workings of the Landmarks Preservation Commission, community involvement, survey and documentation, publicity, and designation. With numerous up-to-date resources and images, it is the easy-to-read, step-by-step guide to preserving historic resources in every corner of New York City.



The purchase price is \$29.95; \$14.95 for Friends of HDC. The publication of “Creating an Historic District” was made possible by a grant from the National Architectural Trust.

### **Victoria Hofmo Bay Ridge, Brooklyn**

Victoria Hofmo is a resident of and longtime advocate for Bay Ridge, Brooklyn. Ms. Hofmo is honored for her tireless efforts to preserve Bay Ridge’s historic buildings and sense of place, most recently in the successful large-scale rezoning of the neighborhood, which helps protect its low-rise scale and character.

Presented by Paul Graziano

### **Tottenville Historical Society Tottenville, Staten Island**

The Tottenville Historical Society was formed as an all-volunteer organization in 2003 to collect and interpret artifacts from Staten Island’s South Shore. The Society has also played a vital role in the preservation of the area’s buildings, often risking life and limb to advocate for their preservation. In 2005, with the assistance of the Preservation League of Staten Island, the society began a survey of every property in the community.

Presented by Susan Tunick

### **Linda Eskenas West Brighton, Staten Island**

Linda Eskenas is active in preservation throughout the five boroughs but especially in her home borough of Staten Island. She is a voluble presence at public hearings with her wealth of information on the borough. Most recently, Ms. Eskenas successfully lobbied the Landmarks Commission to designate her own property, of which she serves as a faithful steward.

Presented by James Ferreri

### **FRIEND IN HIGH PLACES AWARD Council Member Letitia James**

New York City Council, 35th Council District

Letitia James receives the Friend in High Places Award for her countless efforts to foster historic preservation in her district and citywide. Her district includes Clinton Hill, Fort Greene, parts of Crown Heights, Prospect Heights and Bedford-Stuyvesant in Brooklyn. She has worked with preservationists on projects including the preservation of the Admirals’ Rowhouses, the designation of the proposed Crown Heights North Historic District, and the extensions and rezoning of the Fort Greene and Clinton Hill Historic Districts.

Presented by Nicholas Evans-Cato

### **FRIEND FROM THE MEDIA AWARD *CityLand***

*CityLand* is a monthly publication of the Center for New York City Law that reports on the decisions of New York City’s land use agencies. The periodical is honored with this year’s Friend from the Media Award for its role in educating and informing the public about these pivotal issues and often unrecognized decisions affecting our city.

Presented by Jack Taylor

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We salute the advocates and organizations who are  
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## ABOUT THE HISTORIC DISTRICTS COUNCIL

The Historic Districts Council is the independent, not-for-profit, nonpartisan, citywide advocate for New York's designated historic districts and for neighborhoods meriting preservation. The Council is dedicated to upholding the New York City Landmarks Law and to furthering the preservation ethic. This mission is accomplished through ongoing programs of hands-on assistance to more than 125 local community and neighborhood groups and through public-policy initiatives, publications, educational outreach and sponsorship of community events.

The core belief of the Historic Districts Council is that the preservation and enhancement of New York City's historic resources – its neighborhoods, buildings, parks and public spaces – are central to the continued success of the city. Originally founded in 1971 as a coalition of community groups from New York City's designated historic districts, HDC was incorporated as a non-profit organization in 1985 and has grown to become the foremost citywide voice for historic preservation. Following its mandate of community-based preservation advocacy, HDC works continuously to broaden and educate the preservation constituency – from producing zoning and architectural surveys of unprotected historic neighborhoods, to meeting with legislators and city officials, to creating educational programs on the techniques and strategies of neighborhood preservation.

HDC's small professional staff is directed by its dedicated Boards of Directors and Advisers, whose members represent more than two dozen historic neighborhoods and are drawn from the fields of architecture, education, history, marketing, law, design, public relations, journalism and community activism. Their collective expertise aids community groups in their campaigns to preserve the sense of place that characterizes the city's diverse historic neighborhoods. Working with these neighborhood partners, HDC has been instrumental in preserving historic buildings and communities across the five boroughs.



## NEW YORK CITY'S HISTORIC DISTRICTS

### ***The Bronx***

Bertine Block  
Clay Avenue  
Fieldston  
Longwood  
Morris Avenue  
Morris High School  
Mott Haven  
Mott Haven East  
Riverdale

### ***Brooklyn***

Albemarle-Kenmore Terrace  
Boerum Hill  
Brooklyn Academy of Music  
Brooklyn Heights  
Carroll Gardens  
Clinton Hill  
Cobble Hill  
Ditmas Park  
Fort Greene  
Fulton Ferry  
Greenpoint  
Park Slope  
Prospect Park South  
Prospect-Lefferts Gardens  
Stuyvesant Heights  
Vinegar Hill

### ***Manhattan***

African Burial Ground and the Commons  
Audubon Terrace  
Carnegie Hill  
Central Park West-West 73rd-74th Streets  
Central Park West- West 76th Street  
Charlton-King-Vandam  
Chelsea  
East 17th Street/Irving Place  
Ellis Island  
Fraunces Tavern Block  
Gansevoort Market  
Governors Island  
Gramercy Park  
Greenwich Village  
Hamilton Heights  
Hamilton Heights/Sugar Hill  
Hamilton Heights/Sugar Hill Northeast  
Hamilton Heights/Sugar Hill Northwest

Hardenbergh/Rhineland  
Henderson Place  
Jumel Terrace  
Ladies' Mile  
Macdougall/Sullivan Gardens  
Madison Square North  
Metropolitan Museum  
Mount Morris Park  
Murray Hill  
NoHo  
NoHo East  
Riverside - West 105th Street  
Riverside - West End  
Riverside Drive - West 80th-81st Streets  
Sniffen Court  
SoHo - Cast Iron  
South Street Seaport  
St. Mark's  
St. Nicholas  
Stone Street  
Stuyvesant Square  
Treadwell Farm  
Tribeca East  
Tribeca North  
Tribeca South  
Tribeca West  
Tudor City  
Turtle Bay Gardens  
Upper East Side  
Upper West Side/Central Park West  
West End - Collegiate  
West 71st Street

### ***Queens***

Douglaston  
Douglaston Hill  
Fort Totten  
Hunters Point  
Jackson Heights  
Stockholm Street

### ***Staten Island***

New York City Farm Colony - Seaview  
Hospital  
St. George/New Brighton  
St. Paul's Avenue – Stapleton Heights

## PAST RECIPIENTS OF GRASSROOTS PRESERVATION AWARDS

- 2005** Judy Berdy, Peter Levenson, Kate Ottavino, Landmark West!, Richmond Hill Historical Society, Rosemary Cappozalo
- 2004** Brooklyn Heights Association, Douglaston/Little Neck Historical Society, Nicholas Evans-Cato, Susan Tunick, Andrew Dolkart, Leo J. Blackman, Mud Lane Society for the Renaissance of Stapleton
- 2003** CitiNeighbors Coalition for Historic Carnegie Hill, Josephine E. Jones, Senator Street 300 Block Association, Seaport Community Coalition and Manhattan Community Board I
- 2002** Evelyn and Everett Ortner, Jackson Heights Beautification Group, Murray Hill Neighborhood Association, Save Gansevoort Market Task Force, Linda C. Jones
- 2001** Daniel Donovan, Paul Graziano, "Reverend" Billy Talen, Marjorie Decker Johnson and James Ferreri
- 2000** Hamilton Heights/West Harlem Community Preservation Organization, Elizabeth Ashby, The Coalition to Save P.S. 109, Save the Coogan! Coalition, Michael Gotkin

### FRIEND IN HIGH PLACES AWARD

- 2005** City Council Member Tony Avella
- 2004** New York State Senator Liz Krueger
- 2003** City Council Member Michael McMahon
- 2002** City Council Member Dennis Gallagher
- 2001** New York State Senator Thomas K. Duane
- 2000** City Council Member Jerome X. O'Donovan

### FRIEND FROM THE MEDIA AWARD

- 2005** Riverdale Press
- 2004** The Staten Island Advance
- 2003** The Villager and Albert Amateau
- 2002** The City section, The New York Times
- 2001** James Niccoloro
- 2000** Jim O'Grady, The New York Times

### MICKEY MURPHY AWARD

- 2005** Doris Diether
- 2004** Stanley Cogan
- 2003** Barnett Shepherd
- 2002** Evelyn Strouse

***Congratulations* to the 2006  
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*and  
Heartfelt appreciation and thanks  
to all the members of the*

**Herald Square South Civic Association**

for their unwavering support fighting “the good fight”.

Together we defined and defended our neighborhood,  
worked tirelessly and gave generously to prevent the taking and  
misuse of land in the heart of our mid-town south community.  
Special thanks to State Assembly Member Richard Gottfried  
and State Senator Liz Krueger for their wisdom and support.



**Congratulations to all Grassroots Preservation**

**Award winners on behalf of the**

**Vinegar Hill Neighborhood Association!**

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