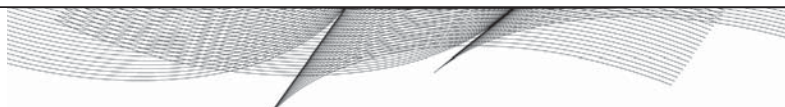


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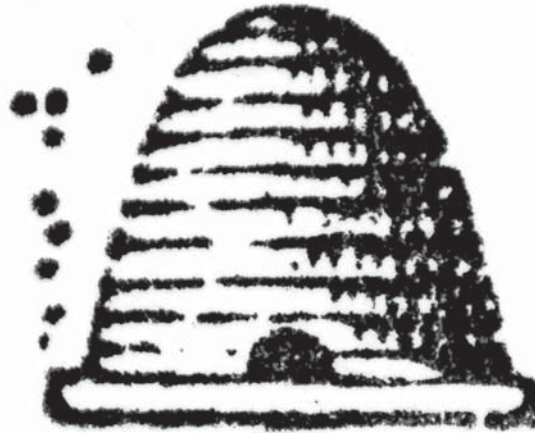
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## PROGRAM

### 2011 Grassroots Preservation Awards and Annual Preservation Party

Thursday, May 12, 2011

#### *Welcome*

#### *Presentation of Awards*

Cedar Grove Beach Club

Central Queens Historical Association

Mary Kay Gallagher

Prospect Cemetery Association

#### *Friend in High Places*

State Senator Bill Perkins  
30th District, Manhattan

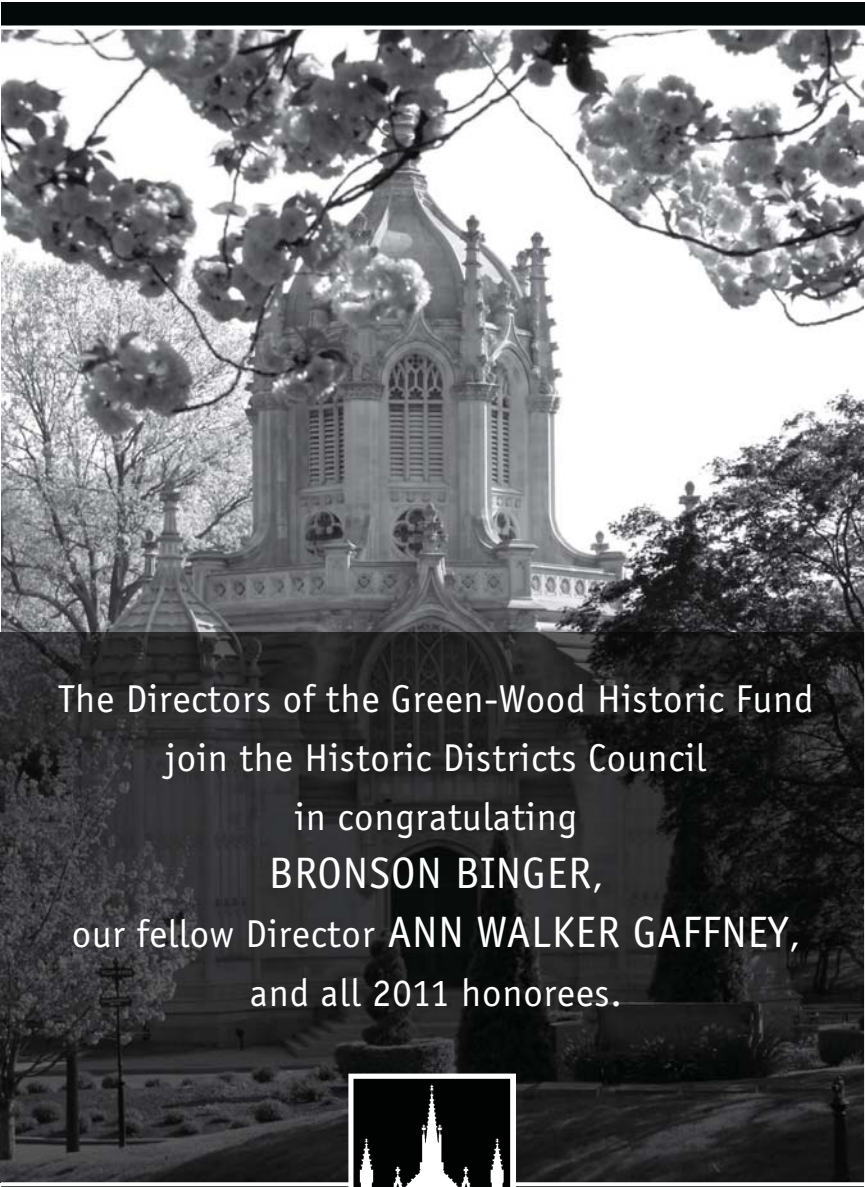
#### *Friend from the Media*

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#### *Mickey Murphy Award*

Bronson Binger & Ann Walker Gaffney

#### *Closing Remarks*



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Successful historic preservation efforts in New York City require a collaboration among many parties, including the public, government agencies and the private sector. Without popular 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 seeks to recognize, honor and encourage public participation in the preservation process. These are the individuals and organizations that, with their time, effort and support, move the preservation collaboration forward. By working with, encouraging 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 such outstanding efforts.

In addition, the awards include three special categories. The Friend in High Places and Friend from the Media Awards honor and acknowledge the dedication and support of elected officials and the press for encouraging the cause of historic preservation throughout the city. Without support from elected representatives or the media, few community-based preservation efforts would ever bear fruit. The Mickey Murphy Award is a lifetime-achievement recognition that honors the late Mary Ellen (Mickey) Murphy, a longtime passionate preservationist and HDC board member.

## Preservation League of Staten Island

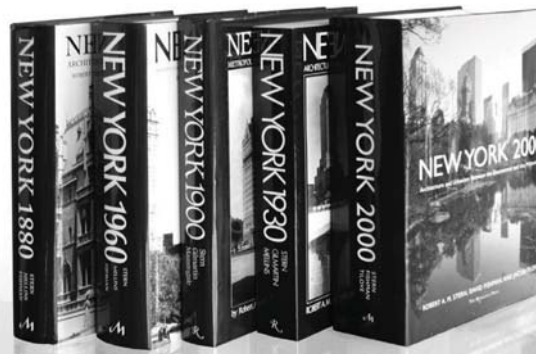
The Preservation League of Staten Island  
would like to publicly thank the  
Cedar Grove Beach Club Association  
for their tireless efforts in spearheading a grassroots  
preservation campaign to save the historic  
Cedar Grove Beach Club and community.  
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We also salute the other HDC Grassroots winners for their  
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## Cedar Grove Beach Club

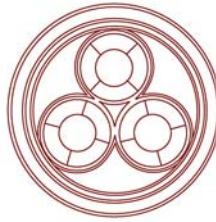


Cedar Grove Beach Club has been part of the fabric of the East Shore of Staten Island since 1911 and is the last remaining beachfront bungalow colony on the island. In 1962, Robert Moses seized the club's land by eminent domain for a shorefront road that never materialized. Still, the local residents, many of them from families who have vacationed at Cedar Grove since its inception, continued to summer there, making improvements to the early 20th century houses and infrastructure, and keeping the beach clean and accessible. In 2009, the New York City Department of Parks and Recreation declared that they were evicting the residents in order to demolish the majority of the bungalows. The Beach Club has valiantly rallied to fight this action, enlisting the support of elected officials and local community leaders, waging a broad press campaign to convince the city to reverse its decision, and raising awareness about the importance of this special piece of New York City's cultural history.



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*Heartfelt thanks to  
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and for their tireless efforts in saving history;*



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*and to those who have helped  
Prospect Cemetery and  
the Chapel of the Sisters  
survive against all odds.*

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Archivist of the GPBA, Trustee of Gramercy Park



## Central Queens Historical Association



In 1988 Jeffrey Gottlieb formed the Central Queens Historical Association to advocate for preservation of significant areas of this historic borough, including Kew Gardens, Kew Gardens Hills, Jamaica, Rego Park and Richmond Hill. Starting in 2006 as a method of preservation advocacy, the Association created a list of significant historic properties in and around downtown Jamaica that were worthy of landmark status. Jeff and other members of the Association, including local Councilmember James Gennaro, lobbied the Landmarks Preservation Commission to consider this proposed list. Through this campaign, the LPC moved forward on the designation of several historic structures including the Jamaica Chamber of Commerce Building, Queens General Court House, two Jamaica Savings Bank buildings, and Jamaica High School. In addition to his work in Jamaica, Jeff has also testified in support of numerous proposed landmarks in the borough. He was instrumental in helping the Historic Districts Council begin its Addisleigh Park Cultural Resource Study in 2007, by providing the initial information on important residents who resided there. Through the Association, Jeff has also organized numerous tours of central Queens, introducing whole new audiences to Queens' architecture and history.



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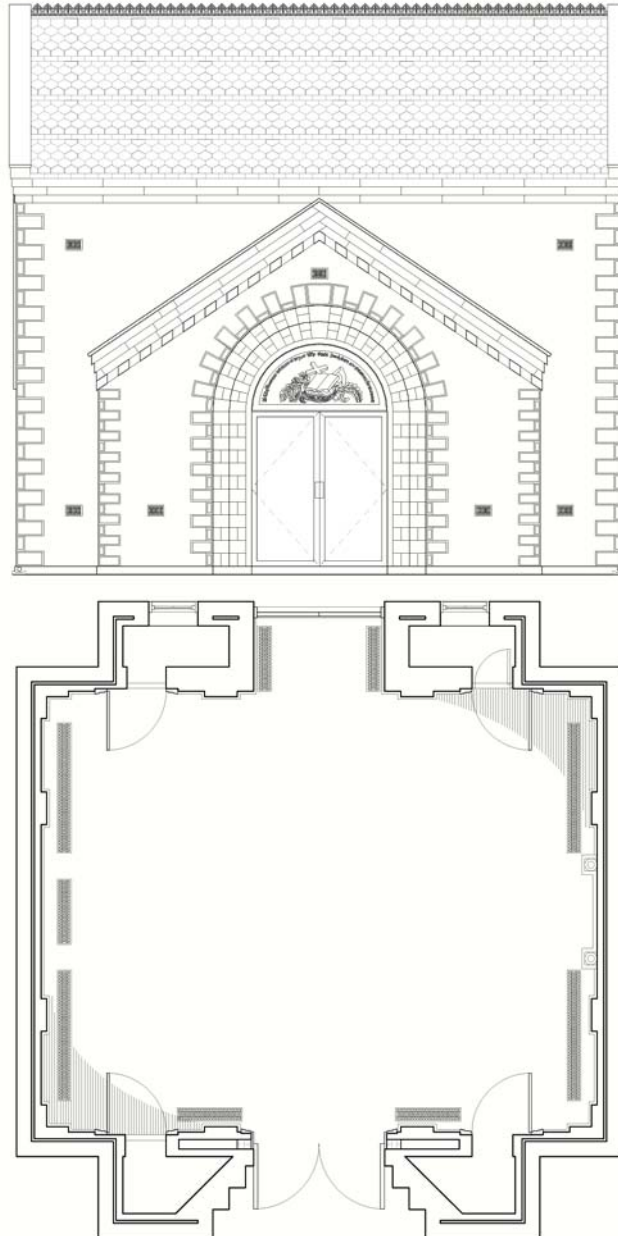
## Mary Kay Gallagher



*Photo: Mary Kay Gallagher in front of her home at 196 Marlborough Road*

Mary Kay Gallagher has been a leading preservation force in Brooklyn's Victorian Flatbush area for more than four decades. She founded Mary Kay Gallagher Real Estate in 1970, in part to help find sympathetic buyers for the wealth of large, free-standing early 20th-century homes that dominate Brooklyn neighborhoods such as Prospect Park South, Ditmas Park, Fiske Terrace, Midwood Park, Beverly Square West and Caton Park. She moved to Prospect Park South in 1959 and received her real estate license in 1972, persuaded into the profession partially by the fact that other brokers in the area were not promoting the historic value of the neighborhoods. She helped advocate for the Prospect Park South Historic District, designated in 1979, and has remained active in the community, expanding her real estate practice with her daughter, and later her granddaughter.

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## Prospect Cemetery Association



*Photo: Cate Ludlam with volunteers in Prospect Cemetery*

Cate Ludlam has been the driving force behind Prospect Cemetery Association, a group dedicated to preserving and restoring Prospect Cemetery in Jamaica, Queens. The site is the oldest burial ground in Jamaica, with burials dating back to the mid-17th-century. Ludlam, a twelfth-generation Long Islander, has led the Association for 22 years through an intensive effort to reclaim the largely-abandoned cemetery and adjacent Chapel of the Sisters. The Association has held seasonal cleanups of the grounds and worked to document the many historical graves and headstones. Working with the Greater Jamaica Development Corporation, the New York Landmarks Conservancy and others, the chapel was completely restored in 2008 for use as a performance and community space dedicated to the memory of Illinois Jacquet, a local Jazz Great. The next phase of work including major landscape conservation and restoration, is now underway and will surely be successful with Cate leading the way.



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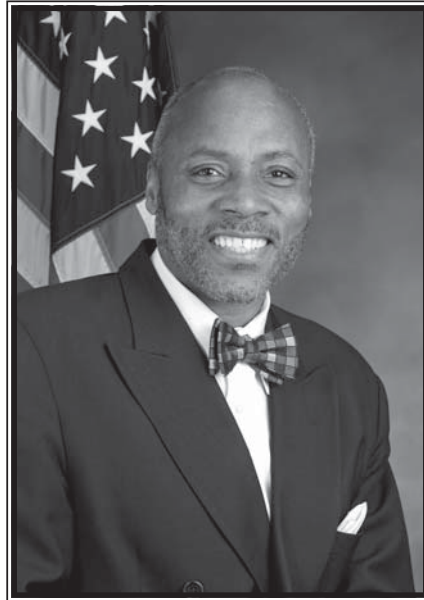
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**State Senator Bill Perkins**  
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State Senator Bill Perkins receives the Friends in High Places Award for his steadfast support of preservation efforts throughout his district and across the city. He is currently serving his 5th year and third term as State Senator from Manhattan's 30th District, representing portions of Harlem, the Upper West Side, Morningside Heights, Manhattanville and Washington Heights. Perkins' championing of preservation causes began during his two terms as a City Councilmember. Recently he has been a strong supporter for the designation of the West End Avenue Historic District Extensions, a Morningside Heights Historic District, and the ultimately successful designation of West-Park Presbyterian Church and Addisleigh Park. Other preservation campaigns Senator Perkins has been involved with include, the designation of the Hamilton Heights-West Harlem Historic Districts, holding public education programs on tax incentives for historic properties, a hearing on protecting Harlem's Afrikan Burial Ground and leading an effort for more comprehensive legislation that would reconcile New York City and State landmarks' evaluation and improved oversight of the landmarks process. Collaborating with community residents and HDC, Senator Perkins is a determined advocate for extension of the Mount Morris Park Historic District. He has also been the chief sponsor of proposed legislation reforming New York State's eminent domain practices.

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*Shown above:  
Ongoing expansion of the Brooklyn Brewery in Williamsburg*

## The Architect's Newspaper

# THE ARCHITECT'S NEWSPAPER



Since its founding in 2003, The Architect's Newspaper has featured broad coverage of preservation and development-related issues from across the city. Looking beyond concerns of architectural design, the paper has covered important neighborhood preservation issues such the proposed redevelopment of St. Vincent's Hospital, the tower proposal at 980 Madison Avenue and the future of Coney Island in depth. Although it is targeted towards a self-identified audience of architects and design professionals, AN's coverage is both balanced and accessible, with a deep understanding of the arcana of New York City's development world. At a time when journalism is reinventing itself and local papers are folding into global conglomerates, the Architect's Newspaper is proudly parochial in its interests and its newsbeats, and New York's preservation efforts are richer for it.

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for their leadership and dedication  
on behalf of the  
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"thank you," that would suffice."  
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A big thank you to HDC for honoring  
**Ann Gaffney and Bronson Binger**  
for two lifetimes devoted to historic  
preservation.

Mickey adored Ann, and we think no one  
better deserves the award in her name.

*Mickey Murphy Award*  
Bronson Binger & Ann Walker Gaffney



Bronson Binger and Ann Walker Gaffney receive the Mickey Murphy Award for longtime commitment to New York City preservation efforts. In their own way, each has helped shape the preservation movement and saved countless worthy historic neighborhoods. Bronson, an architect by training, served New York City as Assistant Commissioner of Capital Projects for both the Parks Department and the Department of General Services. As Vice President of the Municipal Art Society, he saw the need to form a committee to protect the city's historic neighborhoods, which later became the Historic Districts Council. Among many other leadership roles, he attempted to save the old Metropolitan Opera and was an early Project Director of the South Street Seaport. He was closely involved in several successful campaigns, including the creation of the Carnegie Hill, Upper East Side, Sailors' Snug Harbor and Metropolitan Museum Historic Districts. Trained as a Graphic Designer, Ann has contributed her art to many not-for-profit organizations and publishes postcards, note paper and calendars of Heights scenes. She served on the Historic Districts Council's board of directors representing Brooklyn Heights for almost 20 years as well as serving on the Board of The Fine Arts Federation and as a governor of the Brooklyn Heights Association for many years, helping to preserve the neighborhood of the first historic district in the city.

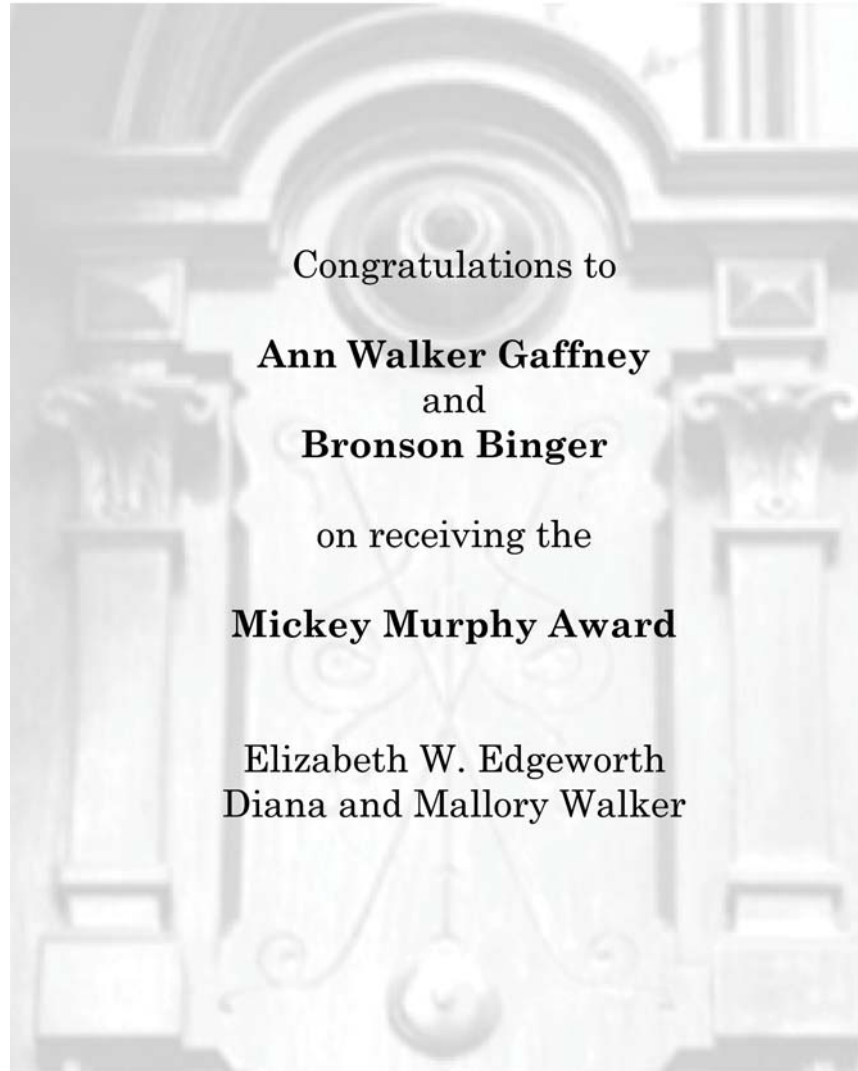
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Bronson Binger and Ann Walker Gaffney

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The Historic Districts Council is the independent, not-for-profit, nonpartisan, citywide advocate for New York's designated historic districts and individual landmarks and for neighborhoods and buildings 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 500 local community and neighborhood groups and through public-policy initiatives, publications, educational outreach and sponsorship of community events. In 2011, HDC celebrates 40 years as the citywide advocate for New York's historic neighborhoods.

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 nonprofit 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 guided 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.

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2009

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Ridgewood Property Owners and  
Civic Association

2008

DUMBO Neighborhood Association  
Develop Don't Destroy Brooklyn  
Juniper Park Civic Association  
227 Duffield Street Coalition

2007

Broadway-Flushing  
Homeowners Association  
Crown Heights North Association  
East Village Community Coalition  
Sunnyside Gardens Preservation Alliance

2006

Coalition to Preserve the Austin,  
Nichols & Company Warehouse  
Linda Eskenas  
Victoria Hofmo  
Tottenville Historical Society

2005

Judy Berdy  
Peter Levenson, 90 West Street  
Kate Ottavino  
Landmark West!  
Richmond Hill Historical Society  
Rosemary Cappozalo, St. George Theater

2004

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Douglaston/Little Neck  
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Thomson Meter Building Coalition:  
Nicholas Evans-Cato, Susan Tunick,  
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Leo J. Blackman Architects  
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of Stapleton

2003

CitiNeighbors Coalition for Historic  
Carnegie Hill  
Josephine E. Jones  
Senator Street 300 Block Association  
Seaport Community Coalition &  
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  
Bill "Reverend Billy" Talen  
James Ferreri  
Marjorie Decker Johnson

2000

Hamilton Heights-West Harlem  
Community Preservation Organization  
Elizabeth Ashby  
The Coalition to Save P.S. 109  
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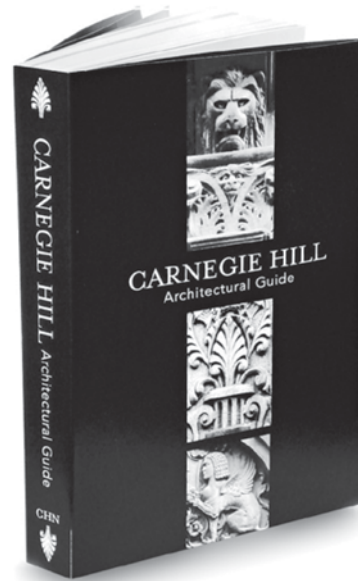
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