**BEST OF MARYLAND AWARD WINNERS**

Preservation Maryland is honored to shine a spotlight on the ceaseless work of our Best of Maryland Award winners – volunteers, stewards, artisans, and elected officials doing the essential work of protecting the places that make Maryland such a special place to live, work, explore – and celebrate.

**LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR/PRESERVATION CHAMPIONS AWARD**

**2023** The Honorable Mayor Nathan Brown (Brunswick, Md.)

**2022** The Honorable Senator Cory McCray, The Honorable Senator Sarah Elfreth, The Honorable Delegate Stephanie Smith, and The Honorable Former State Delegate Eric Luedtke

**2021**Jan Gardner, Frederick County Executive; Senator Guy Guzzone, State Senator Howard County

**2019**The Honorale Delegate Stephen W. Lafftery **2018**The Honorable U.S. Senator Ben Cardin **2018**The Honorable State Senator Bill Ferguson **2018**The Honorable State Delegate Alonzo T. Washington **2017**The Honorable Senator Brooke Lierman **2017**The Honorable Speaker Pro Tem Adrienne Jones **2017**The Honorable State Senator Bill Ferguson **2017**The Honorable State Delegate Brett Wilson **2016** The Honorable Christopher Trumbauer, Anne Arundel County Government

**SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

**2017** Elizabeth Hughes, Maryland Historical Trust

**PRESIDENT’S AWARD**

**2023** The Honorable State Senator Ben Cardin

**2022** The Honorable Senator Ron Young

**2021**Christian Havemeyer

**2019**Jacques Kelly, The Baltimore Sun & Bygone Baltimore **2018**National Historic Preservation Training Center  
**2017**Allan Kittleman, Howard County Executive **2016** Charlie Duff  
**2015**J. Rodney Little, former State Historic Preservation Officer  
**2014**Senator Thomas V. (Mike) Miller, President of the Maryland Senate  
**2013**The Baltimore Design School  
**2012**Orlando Ridout IV and Orlando Ridout V  
**2011**The Azola Companies  
**2010**John L. Graham III  
**2009**Wilton C. Corkern, PhD  
**2008**Eileen McGuckian  
**2007**Charles L. Wagandt  
**2006**United State Senator Paul S. Sarbanes  
**2005**B & O Roundhouse Restoration  
**2004**Hippodrome Theatre, France-Merrick Performing Arts Center  
**2003**West Side Revitalization  
**2002**Comptroller William Donald Schaefer  
**2001**Senator Barbara A. Hoffman

**GEARHEART PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AWARD**

**2023** Lucille Walker, Southern Maryland Heritage Area

**2021** Amanda Davis,Star-Spangled Banner Flag House

**2019**Eli Pousson, Baltimore Heritage, Inc. **2018**Aaron Marcavitch, Maryland Milestone State Heritage Area **2017**Dr. G. Ray Thompson, Salisbury University **2016**Cathy Thompson, Charles County Government **2015**Al Luckenbach, former Anne Arundel County Archaeologist **2014**D. Tyler Gearhart, former Executive Director, Preservation Maryland

**PHOENIX AWARD**

**2023** The Peale Center

**2022** Guilford Hall Brewery

**2021**The A. Hoen Lithograph Building

**2019** Catoctin Furnace Historic Building Trades Program: Catoctin Furnace Historical Society & Silver Oak Academy  
**2018**Havre de Grace Opera House **2017**Metropolitan Partnership for 10 Light Street, Baltimore City **2016**Eastern Shore Land Conservancy, Eastern Shore Conservation Center **2015**KANN Partners **2014**The Chesapeake Shakespeare Company for the Chesapeake Shakespeare Theatre  
**2013**The Alexander Company for National Park Seminary  
**2012**Seawall Development Company for Union Mill  
**2011**Frederick Visitor Center  
**2010**Humanim, Inc. for The American Brewery

**STEWARDSHIP AWARD**

**2023** Lewis Contractors

**2021**Montgomery County Parks, *Josiah Henson House*

**2019**The Peale Center for Baltimore History & Architecture  
**2019**Hagerstown Firehouse No. 3  
**2019**George & Pei Schlossnagle and Brennan + Company Architects  
**2019**Perry Point Grist Mill: VA Maryland Health Care System & Davis Buckley Architects and Planners **2018**Domino Sugar and Triangle Sign & Service **2017**Friends of Tolson’s Chapel **2016**Mount Vernon Place Conservancy for the Restoration of the Washington Monument **2015**Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission for Repairs at Montpelier Mansion **2015**Maryland Department of General Services and the Maryland Historical Trust for the Restoration of the Old Senate Chamber **2014**Main Street Maryland  
**2013**The Friends of Wye Mill  
**2012**William F. Grovermann  
**2011**The Preservation Society  
**2010**Eddie and Sylvia Brown  
**2009**Michael O. Bourne  
**2008**Fred Lazarus, IV  
**2007**Hampton Historic National Site  
**2006**Mary Donnell Tilghman

**SMART GROWTH EXCELLENCE AWARD**

**2023** Kent Conservation and Preservation Alliance

**2021** Black Women Build

**2019** NIST Gaithersburg Campus Master Plan

**VOLUNTEER AWARD**

**2018 Jillian Storms, AIA**for the Early Women in Maryland Architecture Exhibit **2017**Canal Quarters Hospitality Volunteers, C&O Canal Trust **2016**Caroline County Tourism and the Caroline County Historical Society for the Restoration of the James H. Webb Log House **2014**Dr. George E. Lewis, Jr.  
**2013**Theodore Mack, Chair, Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture  
**2012**US Lighthouse Society volunteers  
**2011**J.O.K. Walsh  
**2010**Karen Lewand  
**2009**Wayne M. Goldstein *posthumously*  
**2008**Mildred Ridgley-Gray  
**2007**Julia K. O’Malley  
**2006**Former State Senator Julian L. “Jack” Lapides  
**2005**R. “Polly” Flanigan Shannahan  
**2004**Dr. Rhoda M. Dorsey  
**2003**Frank K. Turner, Jr.  
**2002**G. Bernard Callan, Jr.  
**2001**Harry K. Schwartz  
**2000**Patricia Schooley  
**1999**Casper R. Taylor, Jr.  
**1998**Rene J. Gunning, Jr.  
**1997**Gregory K. Oyler  
**1996**William D. Waxter, III  
**1994**Andrew M. Obecht  
**1990**Robert B. Kershaw  
**1989**W. Boulton Kelly, Jr.  
**1988**Thomas H. G. Bailliere, Jr.  
**1987**Audrey Delano  
**1986**Catherine Black  
**1985**Jean Crolius

**ARTISAN AWARDS**

**2023** The Preservation Tradespeople on the Restoration of the State House Dome (a Christman Company project).

**2022** Mark Weist of Deadrise Maritime for Work on Annapolis Maritime Museum’s Skipjack Wilma Lee

**2021**John W. O’Rourke, *Sotterley*

**2019** David Gibney **2018**Artisans of the Hackerman House at the Walters Art Museum **2017**The Tower Company **2016**Artisans of the Ivy Hotel Project **2015** Historic Roofing Company  
**2015** Wagner Roofing Company

**COMMUNITY CHOICE AWARDS**

**2019**Laurel Manor House Bed & Breakfast, Doors Open Baltimore, Historic St. Mary’s City Broom Slave Cabin, Sweet Elizabeth Jane’s Storefront in Ellicott City **2018**Calver Marine Museum, Church Hill Theatre, Town of Highland Beach, Parkway Theatre **2017**City of Frederick AV Department, Pyramid Atlantic Arts Center, B-More Kitchen, Montgomery Modern **2016**Furnace Town Living Heritage Village, Historic Parole Walking Tour & Map, Historic Takoma, Inc and Takoma Radio, Thurmont Historical Society **2015** Accokeek Foundation, Friends of the Old Greenbelt Theatre, Nanticoke Historic Preservation Alliance, The Maryland Theatre, Save Historic Antietam Foundation