

HISTORIC RESEARCH AND PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

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This committee recognizes individuals and organizations for outstanding contributions in the area of research and preservation of the history of the American Colonial period. The American Colonial period covers the time from the settlement of Jamestown on 13 May 1607 until the Battle of Lexington on 19 April 1775.

The award is a beautiful embossed certificate with the tricolor insignia of the National Society. The State Society receives the certificate and has it framed for presentation at their award's ceremony. The ceremony is a wonderful opportunity to obtain press coverage for the work of your award recipient as well as the work of our Society. The award can be given for contributions including, but not limited to, restoration or preservation of records, and oral, written, or pictorial contributions.

Guidelines for Presentations

The award year shall be March 1 through February 28 each year. Monetary awards will be given each year consisting of the following:

- \$50.00 to the candidate selected by each State Society. A State Society may present certificates to additional candidates, but only one entry will be considered each year for a cash award per state. Other candidates submitted will be considered for the Division and National awards.
- \$300.00 to the one candidate selected in each of the three Divisions. Limit one \$250.00 award per year per Division. This winner is to be determined by March 15th of each year. These three Division winners will be announced and awarded at the National Assembly.
- \$599.00 to the National winner per year which will be presented at the National Assembly.
- Society members may receive certificates but they are not eligible for any monetary awards.

Procedure for submitting candidates for consideration for the National Historic Research/Preservation Restoration Award

• Societies recommend candidates throughout the year and send completed application form to the National Chairman postmarked or emailed prior to March 1st. There is no charge for the certificates.

First Division: CT, DE, DC, IN, ME, MD, MA, MI, NH, NY, PA, VT Second Division: AK, AZ, CA, IL, IA, KS, NM, OK, SD, TX, WA, WI Third Division: AL, AR, FL, GA, KY, LA, MO, NS, SC, TN, VA, WV

- The National Chairman reviews the application and determines if it meets the criteria for the Award. The National Chairman has the Certificate prepared and mails it to the State Society for presentation. At the end of the award year, a panel of three (3) non DCW judges determines the winner in each Division by March 15th.
- Each State Society must decide which applicant they want to designate as the winner of their State Society's \$50.00 award and notify the National Chairman prior to February 25th each year. The National Chairman notifies the National Treasurer to issue a check for \$50 payable to the applicant to be presented by the State Society.
- The National Chairman selects a panel of three (3) non DCW judges to review the applications. The panel must select the National Winner by April 1st. The National Chairman reports the award winners, Divisional and National, to the National President, National Recording Secretary, and National Treasurer by April 1st. She provides the above officers with the recipient's name, award level (State, Division, National), the Historic Research and Preservation contribution being recognized, and the address for mailing of the award if the award is not going to be accepted in person. Division and National Awards will be presented during the National Assembly.

The following steps should be followed in submitting candidates for consideration for the National Historic Research/Preservation Restoration Award:

- 1. Fill out form.
- 2. Include a typewritten summary of the candidate's contributions, not to exceed two pages double spaced.
- 3. Include up to three (3) pages of supporting documentation such as recommendations (non DCW), leaflets, magazine or newspaper articles.
- 4. Send the completed form to the National Chairman.
- 5. Please allow six (6) weeks for review of the application and receipt of the certificate. There is no charge for the certificate.

In April, after the National Assembly, a check for \$50 will be sent to each State Society to be given to a candidate who has been approved by this committee and has been designated as the State Society's outstanding recipient.

The work of this committee is strongly tied to the objects of NSDCW. As you plan your activities for the coming year, this Chairman encourages each State Society to present at least one award for Historic Research and/or Preservation.