

DEADLINE
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**Union Project,
Highland Park,
Pittsburgh**

A social enterprise success story that YPA highlighted in 2004.



**Murphy Building,
Blairville, Indiana Co.**

This former bank building anchors Blairville's emerging Main Street District.



**First Presbyterian
Church, Braddock**

YPA's 2006 Promise Award winner, Mayor John Fetterman, stands in front of the church he is currently restoring.

2009 Nominations

Top Ten Best Preservation Opportunities



The New Granada Theatre (built 1927), now a City Historic Landmark, was on YPA's first Top Ten List in 2003.



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YPA's Top Ten List

Created in 2003, YPA's Top Ten Best Preservation Opportunities in the Pittsburgh Area is open for nominations. This is your chance to spotlight historic sites in your community that may be endangered but have a good chance for survival and reuse.

You know your community best, so YPA encourages you to nominate a prominent historic structure or site in your community to be part of our "Top Ten" List (more than one property may be nominated). Supporting documents are encouraged.

What types of sites are eligible?

YPA is looking for properties that have not yet been preserved—historic and architecturally-significant structures threatened with neglect, abandonment, or demolition but have a good chance for survival and reuse.

We are particularly interested in historic structures in African American neighborhoods and in rural areas in the nine-county Pittsburgh region: Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Fayette, Greene, Indiana, Washington, and Westmoreland counties.

Benefits of Listing

YPA's Top Ten List demonstrates the economic benefits of historic preservation through the restoration and reuse of these sites.

YPA's Top Ten List is a great way to highlight historic development or investment opportunities in your community. YPA publishes a report each May during National Historic Preservation Month, which you can use in fundraising appeals. In addition, all Top Ten projects receive an award.

Nomination Process

Use the nomination form on the next page to nominate a historic structure to be included on our list. Complete the form, include a photo of the site, and mail it to our address (YPA also accepts e-mail submissions) by **March 20, 2009**:

Young Preservationists Association of Pittsburgh
 PO Box 2669
 Pittsburgh, PA 15230-2669
www.youngpreservationists.org

Evaluation Criteria

50-Year Threshold

Is it 50 years old or older?

Historical/Architectural Significance

Does the site have any historical or architectural significance?

Threats to the Site

Are there any significant threats to the site's integrity?

Community Input

How has the community been involved in trying to mitigate the threat or deal with this property? Does anyone care? Are there people working on a plan for its restoration?

Feasibility of Solution

If there is a plan for the property, does it make sense economically? Is the plan consistent with the neighborhood's values? If preserved, can the property be effectively integrated into the neighborhood? Will the plan attract funding or financing?

City Location

Is the property located outside the City of Pittsburgh?

County Location

Is the property located outside Allegheny County?

Minority/Low-Wealth Location

Is the property located in a low-income or minority neighborhood?



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McCook Mansion, Shadyside



August Wilson Home, Hill District



Homestead's East Eighth Avenue

Property Information

Property Name _____

Year Built _____

Property Address (street address, city, state, ZIP) _____

County* (see list below) _____

The property must be located in one of the following southwestern Pennsylvania counties: Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Fayette, Greene, Indiana, Washington, and Westmoreland.

Square Feet (approx.) _____

Zoning (commercial, industrial, residential, etc.) _____

OWNER INFORMATION

Owner Name _____

Owner Address _____

NOMINATOR INFORMATION

Nominator Name _____

Nominator Contact Info. (phone or e-mail) _____