



Newsletter

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Congratulations to the 2024 Awardees!



On January 28th, the DC Preservation League announced the recipients of the 2024 District of Columbia Awards for Excellence in Historic Preservation. More than 250 people were in attendance at [DAR Constitution Hall](#) to celebrate!

Thank you to the Daughters of the American Revolution for hosting the ceremony and the post-event reception.

Congratulations to all the winners, and thank you for your commitment to preserving, protecting, and enhancing the city of Washington.

For those who were unable to attend the event, please click below to see the awardee videos and photos from the event.

[2024 Awardee Videos](#)

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Landmarks Updates



Photo of Front Elevation of John Joseph Earley House, 1710 Lamont Street NW. Photo by John DeFerrari.

In December 2024, the DC Preservation League submitted a historic landmark nomination for the **John Joseph Earley House at 1710 Lamont Street NW** in the Mount Pleasant Historic District. The homeowners Raymond DiPhillips and David Alfuth co-sponsored this nomination, which seeks to recognize the longtime residence of John J. Earley, a pioneer in the use of concrete (most notably at Meridian Hill Park) and self-described "architectural sculptor." Earley lived here from 1911, when the Waddy B. Wood-designed house was completed, until 1942. The nomination also seeks to

designate most of the first floor interior, which has been lovingly restored and cared for by DiPhillips and Alfuth for over 35 years. This nomination will be heard at this month's HPRB Meeting.

Last month, DCPL submitted a landmark nomination for the **Euram Building at 21 Dupont Circle NW**. This 1971 design by Hartman-Cox Architects is a notable, trapezoidal-shaped office building located on one of DC's most famous circles. The building is Modernist in style, but hints at the coming wave of Post-Modernism.

Most recently, DCPL was thrilled to partner with the [Art Deco Society of Washington](#) on a landmark nomination amendment for the **Greyhound Bus Terminal at 1100 New York Avenue NW**. This building has been on the DC Inventory of Historic Sites since 1987. This amendment seeks to add the landmark to the National Register of Historic Places, with additional documentation related to the landmark's importance to the 1961 Freedom Rides. Additionally, the nomination seeks to designate the former bus terminal's interior lobby and waiting room.

[Click Here to Read the Nominations](#)

Remembering Elizabeth "Penny" (Fitzpatrick) Jones



The DC Preservation League was saddened to learn of the passing of Elizabeth "Penny" (Fitzpatrick) Jones, who served as a member of the DCPL Board in the 1980s, working on important projects like the redevelopment of the Greyhound Bus Terminal on New York Avenue NW. In addition to her time with DCPL, she served on the boards of the Historic Alexandria Foundation, National Preservation Institute, The Louisville Historical League, Preservation Alliance of Louisville, and Friends of Historic Huntley. She worked at numerous organizations, including the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the American Institute for the Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works. Her passion and dedication to the preservation profession inspired many, and her accomplishments will long be remembered.

Preservation Initiatives Grant Program 2025 Application Closes on March 7, 2025



The [Preservation Initiatives Grant Program's 2025 application](#) closes on Friday, March 7, 2025. This grant program, administered by the DC Preservation League, provides matching grants to individuals and nonprofit organizations for preservation planning, research, outreach and education, and bricks and mortar projects related to historic and cultural sites. These grants are intended to help stimulate public discussion, introduce the public to preservation concepts and techniques, make technical expertise accessible, and encourage partnerships.

The program is supported by two separate funding sources and is focused on specific areas of the District: Brightwood Car Barn (Ward 4) and Virginia Avenue Tunnel (Area of Potential Effects in Southeast Washington).

Please click below to register for the Tuesday, February 18th Grants Workshop. If you have any questions, please contact Zachary Burt, DCPL's Community Outreach and Grants Manager, at zach@dcpreservation.org.

[Preservation Initiatives Grant Program](#)

[2025 Grant Application](#)

[February 18th Grants Workshop Registration](#)

Wednesday, February 19, 2025, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
Virtual, Zoom



Pride, Inc. Headquarters on U Street NW, 1968. Photo courtesy of Moorland-Spangarn Research Center, Howard University.

In 2020, the DC Preservation League received a \$50,000 grant from the African American Civil Rights Program, as administered by the National Park Service (NPS), to fund the creation of a study entitled [Black Power in 20th Century Washington, DC: A Context Study](#). Written by historian George Derek Musgrove, with Sarah Shoenfeld and Nakita Reed, this study explores the DC Black Power Movement in all of its diversity. Though often caricatured as angry and violent street protesters, DC Black Power activists created independent schools, art studios, and police oversight boards; and transformed the District into a hotbed of anti-colonial organizing for decades to come. Join Dr. Musgrove for an overview of this important project, with a specific focus on the nomination of the [Youth Pride, Inc. building](#) to the DC inventory and National Register.

This event is free and open to the public. Please register online to receive the Zoom link in your inbox.

[Register Here](#)

The Scott Family at Woodrow Wilson House & Beyond

Friday, February 28, 2025, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
Virtual, Zoom



On the last day of February, join the DC Preservation League and Edith Michel, Senior Manager of Education & Collections at [Woodrow Wilson House](#) for an engaging webinar about the Scott Family. Isaac (1875-1959) and Mary Scott (1882-1968) served President Wilson and his wife Edith as live-in workers at their home on S Street for many years before purchasing their own property in Deanwood. Learn both about their life lived alongside the Wilsons and their individual experiences in one of Northeast DC's oldest neighborhoods.

This event is free and open to the public. Please register online to receive the Zoom link in your inbox.

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