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## **Moline Historic Preservation Commission wins 2008 NAPC Commission Excellence Award**

On Friday, July 11<sup>th</sup>, in the opening session of the National Commission Forum in New Orleans, Louisiana, the National Alliance of Preservation Awards (NAPC) will present the **Moline Historic Preservation Commission** with one of ten awards to recognize and honor the outstanding efforts and achievements of local preservation, historic district, and landmark commissions, and boards of architectural review.

The Moline Historic Preservation Commission was honored in the category of Best Practices for Identification and Registration for its Nomination to the National Register of Historic Places of the Moline Downtown Commercial Historic District.

Ann McGlone, Chair of NAPC's Board of Directors, praised the project as "an example of how a volunteer effort by a commission in a small community can be a catalyst for preservation and economic development."

This year is the first for the awards to be given. The awards are intended to highlight 'best practices' and exceptional accomplishments by commissions at the local level, for both large and small communities, to protect historic districts and landmarks through legislation, education and advocacy. The NAPC Commission Excellence Awards are the only national awards program specific to the work of local preservation commissions. The awards are sponsored by The Richard H. Driehaus Foundation.

Founded in 1983, NAPC is the only national non-profit organization dedicated to local preservation commissions and their issues, and undertakes a variety of activities to build strong local preservation programs through education, training and advocacy.

One of NAPC's major activities is a biennial National Commission Forum of training and educational sessions and mobile workshops—now in its sixth year, this year being held in New Orleans, LA—attended by some 450 volunteer members and staff persons of local preservation commissions from across the nation.

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