

# **PTN** Askins Achievement Award

## **Askins Achievement Award Guidelines**

### **Origin of the award:**

The award is named in honor of the James (Jim) S. Askins the founder of the National Park Service Historic Preservation Training Center. The award is given in recognition of outstanding contributions and accomplishments in the promotion, education, and application of preservation trade skills. The award has been presented annually by the Preservation Trades Network since 1998 at the International Preservation Trades Workshop (IPTW).

### **Criteria for the Askins Achievement Award:**

The Askins Achievement Award recognizes contributions over and above the noteworthy. The award criteria includes contributions to the preservation trades for: the continuance of traditional building skills, advocacy of training in preservation trades, practicing a building trade at master level of skill and knowledge, and extraordinary effort given to advancing the awareness of traditional building trade skills and knowledge.

The nominee should be an advocate of the trades from a trade's background, and have contributed efforts above and beyond the norm to help move the trades' community forward. The nominee should be a person who has helped raise the bar and challenged others to try harder. The Askins Achievement Award represents more than just quality work and good ethics it also means challenging others to work for the betterment of the community around them.

1. Askins Achievement Award recipients do not have to be members of Preservation Trades Network.
2. Nominators for the Askins Achievement Award do not have to be members of the Preservation Trades Network and they do not have to be Award Recipients.
3. Previous recipients of the Askins Achievement Award and the Superintendent of the NPS Historic Preservation Training Center (HPTC) are standing members of the committee that administers the award, and selects future recipients.
4. The award was established to be distinct from and separate from the Preservation Trades Network Board of Directors.
5. The permanent award plaque listing previous recipients is owned by the NPS-HPTC and shall be displayed and kept up-to-date by the HPTC at the HPTC Headquarters at the Gambrell House. The Logo is loaned to PTN for use on the individual Award Plaque given to each year's winner.
6. A recipient selected by the others shall take on the administration of the award on behalf of the Askins Achievement Award committee.
7. The new recipient shall be contacted to ensure that the plaque is created in the manner desired by the recipient.
8. The criteria for the Askins Achievement Award are stated in the nomination form.
9. The Askins Achievement Award committee shall solicit nominations from the preservation trades community at large.
10. The Askins Achievement Award committee shall have the right by majority vote to approve or disapprove use of the Award for marketing or promotion by the Preservation Trades Network Board of Directors.
11. The Askins Award Recipient shall have a nominator who has provided a written nomination form and is willing to introduce the recipient and present the award at the annual IPTW.
12. The only persons to have knowledge of the identity of the AAA recipient before the AAA is presented shall be the committee, the nominator and the recipient.
13. Announcement of the Askins Award Recipient shall be published in the PTNews and other media only after the presentation of the AAA.
14. The business of the Askins Achievement Award committee may be conducted by conference call, direct meeting, or e-mail.
  - a.) A quorum to conduct the business of the committee shall be a majority of the recipients.
15. Nominations are only for one year. The nomination may re-submitted.

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## **Nomination Form:**

Nominee Name:  
Mailing Address:  
Phone:  
Fax  
Email:

Nominator Name:  
Mailing Address:  
Phone:  
Fax:  
Work:  
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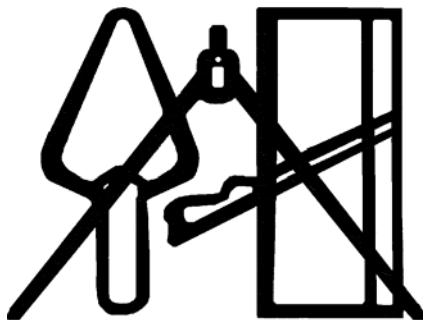
Please describe the nominee's contribution to the Preservation Trades on a separate page.

Send completed nomination forms to:

**Preservation Trades Network**  
Attn: Askins Award Committee Chair  
PO Box 249  
Amherst, New Hampshire 03031-0249

Electronic documents should be submitted in MS Word or .rtf format to: [info@ptn.org](mailto:info@ptn.org) .

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presented annually to individual award  
recipients.*