

1996 South Carolina Historic Preservation Awards

Each year the Office of the Governor, the Palmetto Trust for Historic Preservation, and the South Carolina Department of Archives and History recognize exceptional accomplishments in the preservation, rehabilitation, restoration, and interpretation of our architectural and cultural heritage. The following projects, individuals, and organizations were recognized at the second annual South Carolina Historic Preservation Awards ceremony at Rutledge Chapel, University of South Carolina.

Honor Awards

The Honor Awards celebrate successful and exemplary historic preservation projects in South Carolina.

George P. Elliott House, Beaufort

Jennifer Rauch

Beekman Webb, Ibis, Inc.

Claussen Plantation Outbuildings, Florence County

Mr. and Mrs. F. Preston Wilson

Granville Wyche House, Greenville

Kasper Fulghum, Jr.

R.V. Morrison House, McClellanville

Dr. and Mrs. Roger Rowe

Thomas Graham

Neighborhood Impact Initiative, Charleston
Historic Charleston Foundation

White Homestead, Fort Mill
Anne Springs Close

Governor's Award

The Governor's Award recognizes an individual for lifetime achievements in the support of historic preservation in South Carolina.

William Light Kinney, Jr.

William L. Kinney, Editor of the Marlboro Advocate, has been instrumental for more than forty years in the preservation and interpretation of historic sites in Marlboro County. He played a leading role in the restoration of the ca. 1830 Jennings-Brown House in Bennettsville. Kinney has rehabilitated two other historic residences in the community for his own use, Magnolia (ca. 1853) and Shiness (early twentieth century). He was instrumental in the nomination of the Bennettsville Historic District to the National Register of Historic Places and has been a longtime advocate of downtown revitalization. Kinney has also supported the rehabilitation of the Murchison School and the Playhouse Theater. He has been a leader in recognizing historic places throughout Marlboro County with South Carolina Historical Markers. Kinney's contributions at the state level include serving as the president of the Confederation of South Carolina Local Historical Societies and chair of the National Register Review Board. According to John B. Hildreth, president of the Palmetto Trust for Historic Preservation, "Bill Kinney's life-long devotion to preserving our state's history is an outstanding example of what the leadership of one person can accomplish."