

MARY FRANCES ABEL AWARD NOMINATION FORM

HISTORIC NAME OF BUILDING: _____

LOCATION: _____

OWNER'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____

SUBMITTED BY: _____ DATE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____

CONDITION OF PROPERTY WHEN WORK BEGAN: _____

DESCRIPTION OF EXTERIOR WORK COMPLETED: _____

HISTORY AND SIGNIFICANCE OF PROPERTY (date built, by whom, local significance of past residents. Attach extra sheets if necessary.)

MARY FRANCES ABEL AWARD

Created in 1988 by the Muncie Historic Preservation and Rehabilitation Commission, the Mary Frances Abel Award recognizes excellence in the restoration of residential properties within the City of Muncie. The award is named for long-time Commission member and local historian, Mary Frances Abel. Eligible buildings must originally have been built for and currently be in residential use. Apartment buildings of up to four units are eligible. Buildings with both commercial and residential uses, however, are not eligible. The award is based on exterior improvements only, including site work/landscaping and the condition of outbuildings.

NOMINATION & AWARDS PROCEDURE

1. Nominations may be made by any Commission member, citizen of Muncie, or community organization.
2. All nominations shall be submitted on an approved form with current, historic, and pre-restoration photographs of the property. Applications will not be considered without at least a current photo.
3. All nominations shall be presented at the regular Commission meeting by one or more Commission member(s) present.
4. Each of the members will be given the opportunity to evaluate each nomination for the Abel Award according to the following criteria:

Craftsmanship	Accuracy of restoration
Impact within neighborhood	Extent of change to building
Historic significance of building	Architectural importance of building
Site work/landscaping	Outbuildings
5. Each Commission member shall cast one vote for the nominee s/he feels best exemplifies the standards of the Abel Awards Program or shall abstain from voting if s/he feels there have not been nominations presented which best exemplify preservation and rehabilitation efforts.
6. A majority for one nominee shall constitute the selection of the Commission for the Abel Award.
7. Unsuccessful nominations for the Mary Frances Abel Award shall not automatically be considered in subsequent years except at the property owner's request or in the event that they are re-nominated.