The Rick & Duffy Monahon Award for Design Excellence in Architectural Restoration and Preservation

This award was established in 2014 in honor of Rick and Duffy Monahon as a way to honor their extraordinary contribution to architecture and preservation in New Hampshire. The award recognizes outstanding and exemplary historic preservation projects as defined by their sensitivity to an historic structure and its surrounding environment; the quality of architecture, workmanship, and materials; as well as the degree of challenge or accomplishment and the level of community support for the project.

The following project types are eligible:

- Sensitive Addition/Alteration: a project that successfully integrates an addition/alteration within the architectural style of a building and complements the context and character of an historic district, neighborhood, or specific area.
- Adaptive Reuse: a project that creatively achieved the reuse of an existing structure originally used for another purpose. The project must have undertaken at least substantial rehabilitation.
- Appropriate New Construction: a new structure that, through its design and use of building materials, enhances the quality of the built environment. The project must have a positive impact on its immediate surroundings, including historic district, neighborhood or specific area.
- Innovative Solutions in Preservation: Showing sensitive and creative solutions incorporating issues of sustainability, adaptive reuse and integration of accessibility improvements.

Projects must be located in New Hampshire. The Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation and the Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings will be considered in evaluating for this award.

To be considered for this award make sure your submission demonstrates the above criteria. The Rick and Duffy Monahon award will be selected by the jury from among the general submissions to the Awards Program and will not necessarily be given every year.

Submission format requirements are the same as for the general awards.