



MOST ENDANGERED PROPERTIES NOMINATION FORM

Annual nomination deadline: December 10

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The goal of the Most Endangered Properties program is to highlight the historic buildings, structures, and sites that are slowly, and often quietly, disappearing from our communities and rural landscapes in Iowa.

PART I

1. General Information

Name of Building, Site, or Structure:

Street Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

State Representative:

2. Nominator Information

Mrs./Ms./Mr./Dr.

Name:

Institution/Organization:

Institution/Organization's Website:

Nominator Title:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Fax Number:

Mailing Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

3. Owner Information

The owner's approval is desirable, but not required to nominate a site. The owner should be listed regardless of whether he/she endorses the application.

Is the owner of the property aware of the nomination to Preservation Iowa's 2026 Most Endangered Properties? YES NO

If yes, does the owner of the property endorse the nomination to Preservation Iowa's 2026 Most Endangered Properties? YES NO

Owner's Name:

Institution/Organization:

Institution/Organization's Website:

Owner Title:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Fax Number:

Mailing Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

4. Media Contact Person

The contact person for the media should be knowledgeable about the site and available to answer questions. If the site is included on the list of Preservation Iowa's 2026 Most Endangered Properties, Preservation Iowa may give this name to members of the press. **Note: The contact person may be the same as the nominator. You do not need to re-enter the information if the nominator and media contact person are the same.**

Is the Nominator Contact also the Media Contact? YES NO

If No, please fill out the contact information below:

Name:

Institution/Organization:

Institution/Organization's Website:

Title:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Fax Number:

Mailing Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

5. Stakeholder Information

a. What individuals or organizations can be counted on to support this listing?

b. What individuals or organizations may oppose this listing?

PART II

1. Additional Site Information

a. Date(s) of Construction:

b. Type of Building/Site/Structure (Choose the one that best applies):

Archaeological Site

Engineering Work

Religious Site

Dwelling

Public Art/Space

Cultural Landscape

Military/Presidential

Commercial Building

Industrial Site

Architecture

Garden/Park

Townscape

Civic Building

Other:

c. National, State and/or Local Landmark Designations/Significance (Choose all that apply):

National Historic Landmark

State/Local Designation

National Register

National Register Eligible

Other:

d. Who is responsible for the site financially?

e. Who has legal control and/or authority to approve projects related to the site?

f. Have you previously nominated the site to Preservation Iowa's Most Endangered Program? YES NO

If yes, in what year(s)?

2. Advocacy & Engagement

Describe any previous measures that government officials, community activists, and other groups have taken to protect the site. Note to what degree these measures have or have not been successful.

Identify key decision-makers in determining the future of the site and provide any information related to timing in the decision process.

3. What are the barriers to preserving your building? (Choose all that apply)

- ☐ Lack of private funds ☐ Lack of grant assistance ☐ Lack of construction estimates
- ☐ Lack of preservation plan ☐ Lack of treatment scope to meet Secretary of Interior Standards
- ☐ Lack of technical assistance ☐ Lack of adaptive reuse ideas
- ☐ Other (Please describe)

4. Have you ever submitted for historic preservation grants through the Iowa State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) (e.g. Historical Resource Development Program (HRDP), Country School Grant Program, etc.)? If so, which grant, and what was the outcome?

5. Are you familiar with the preservation tax credit process? YES NO

Are you willing to apply for them? YES NO

6. On the attached continuation sheets following this form, describe the building, site, or structure, clearly addressing each of the following:

- a. The (historic) significance of the building, site, or structure:
Why is your site historic and significant? Describe the site's significance including its historic, cultural, artistic, social, and/or architectural value. Specify if the property is unique, but representative of many similar types of sites. If applicable, to what other sites could it be easily compared?
- b. Present condition.
- c. The urgency & nature of the threat:
Describe the major threats to the site. Threats can be divided into two categories: Natural and Human. Natural threats may include flood, fire, or erosion. Human threats include sprawl, inadequate maintenance, neglect, and lack of financial resources, lack of knowledge/familiarity on preservation grants and procedures. Your site may have other threats beyond those listed here which can also be described in your response. Describe the current physical condition of the property, threats to the property, and the rate of deterioration.
- d. The possible solutions that would remove threats to the place.
- e. Any other supporting information

Hand written nominations/information will be returned and you will be asked to re-submit them in typed format. This will aid in quickly publishing press releases.

PART IV

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Type your name here to approve the disclaimer: _____

Photography Release

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This nomination requires at least two (2) and no more than four (4) high resolution (minimum 300 dpi, 2MB in size) images with captions and credits where necessary. Please review the Nomination Guidelines for more information about submitting images.

I hereby give my permission for the submitted images to be reproduced to publicize Preservation Iowa's Most Endangered Properties Program. A typed name will serve as a signature. If photographer(s) is unknown or cannot be contacted, nominator takes full responsibility. If more than one photographer's work is submitted, please label each image individually.

Preservation Iowa expects the owner to be notified of the nomination. The typed name of the nominator indicates that such notification has been given.

Nominator's Name: _____ Date: _____

Photographer 1 Name: _____ Date: _____

Photographer 2 Name: _____ Date: _____

Photographer 3 Name: _____ Date: _____

Deadline & Submitting

To submit a nomination to the Most Endangered Properties program, please email this completed Nomination Form, along with digital images and any other relevant support materials, to info@preservationiowa.org. Please use "Most Endangered Properties Nomination" in the email subject line. Images may also be sent using a file transfer service, such as Google Drive or Dropbox. If using Google Drive, ensure that permissions are set to allow anyone with the link to download prior to sending.

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