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AWARDS

Historic Presbyterian Church takes top honors in preservation awards

Preservation award winners were recognized at the annual membership meeting of the Heritage Foundation on May 15. Read on to learn more about the winners.



The historic Presbyterian Church at Five Points in Downtown Franklin took top honors in Preservation Awards.

Best Overall "Restoration of the Year" Winner Historic Franklin Presbyterian Church

It's taken four years, and the Historic Franklin Presbyterian Church at Main Street and Five Points is nearing completion of restoration of the church built between 1880 and 1910. The last step is visible from the street: the stained glass windows facing Main Street at the front of the church were, for a time, a plywood copy of the real thing. The windows have been removed and carefully taken apart, cleaned, repaired and re-leaded for the first time in their 100-plus years on Main Street. This was just the last phase in a restoration that included purchasing a new pipe organ and thorough renovations and additions to the building that were carefully designed to complement the historic property while bringing it up to current codes. The award recognizes the work of architects Street, Dixon and Rick of Nashville; Rock City Construction Co. of Franklin; LCA Associates of Philadelphia (a design firm specializing in 19th Century decorative arts); Lee Restoration Contractors of Franklin; Schoenstein & Co. Organ Builders of San Francisco; Emmanuel Stained Glass Studios of Nashville; and the various committees of the Historic Franklin Presbyterian Church, which oversaw the renovation.

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Accepting top honors on behalf of the restoration of the Historic Franklin Presbyterian Church are church members Hugh Tharpe, Mike Mackanos and Lillian Stewart, joined by judges, Shanon Wasielewski, Franklin Preservation Planner, and Patrick Mcntyre, Tennessee Historic Commission director.