



City of Park Ridge's Historic
Preservation Commission
announces its fourth annual
"Saving Places that Matter to
You"
poster contest

Did you know that Iannelli Studios is a designated Park Ridge local landmark? We are proud of its history – and that of many places in our city like the Pickwick Theater and the Park Ridge Youth Campus. May is Preservation Month and in that spirit we're pleased to invite your third grade students to enter our annual "Saving Places that Matter to You" poster contest.

The fact is our places play a huge role in telling our community's story. So we'd like students to share, in poster form, how they feel about our local places – a house that's been part of a family for generations, a school that children have attended for decades, a church, a favorite structure uptown or in the South Park area, for example.

Please read and follow all the contest rules carefully so that all posters/drawings will be eligible.

- Winning entries, which will be announced by the second week of May, will be displayed in prominent locations in Park Ridge throughout the month.
- Winners and their families will be invited to attend an **awards ceremony on May 19, 2014** at the City Council's meeting at City Hall. *Prizes have been donated from local vendors and community organizations.*

Poster contest rules

- Entry is open to **all third grade students** who live in Park Ridge or attend a Park Ridge school.
- The poster drawing must relate to the theme "Saving Places that Matter to You" and should include a building in the city that you feel is important.
- **The finished poster should be submitted on an official poster template.** A limited number of copies will be provided to elementary schools in Park Ridge. The template is also available online and can be printed on 11" x 17" paper. Those not submitted on the provided template will not be included in judging purposes.
- Only one entry per child will be allowed. Parents/sponsors are limited to verbal assistance only. All drawings must be an individual effort and be free-hand originals. No traced pictures please. Crayons, markers or color pencils only should be used.
- Each poster must be completed with the contestant's name (First Name and Last Name *initial* is acceptable) and school. The entry forms should be completed with name, address, telephone number, and family e-mail address clearly printed and included with the poster submission to be eligible.
- All entries can be submitted at the City Hall (2nd floor) or *can be picked up at participating schools on Friday, March 28, 2014* by Park Ridge Historical Preservation Commission representatives. All entries become the property of the City of Park Ridge once submitted.
- Criteria for judging include creativity and how well the poster expresses the contest theme "Saving Places that Matter to You."

For more details and for entry forms, go to www.parkridge.us. If you have any questions please contact Jon Branham, City of Park Ridge Planner, 847-318-5291.

Please note

The winning poster(s) may be offered for public display or publication at some time during or after the contest. This poster becomes the property of the City of Park Ridge and may be reproduced.

The only information that will be released is your child's name, school and grade.

Historic preservation resources

preservationnation.org/resources/teaching-preservation/
architeacher.org/teachers/teachers-lessons2a.html
teachinghistory.org/teaching-materials/teaching-guides/24264

Why teach preservation?

The places in our community link us with our past and help us understand who we are. It's not just that history happened – it's that it happened here. And the difference between simply reading about history and actually visiting a place where history happened is immense.

What makes a place worthy of preservation?

Older buildings embody our history, and that's one reason why it's important to save them. But that isn't the only reason.

Many older buildings are important – and worth preserving – simply because they're good to look at. They are “a gift to the street” whose style, textures, materials, and charm (and maybe even eccentricity) enrich and enliven their surroundings. These buildings are worth saving because our communities would be less interesting, less attractive and less distinctive without them.

Other buildings are worth saving because they have plenty of good use left in them. Innovative examples of “adaptive use” can be found everywhere. Factories have been turned into convention centers, train stations reborn as restaurants, mills converted into shopping centers, office buildings transformed into apartments and on and on. This process is good for the environment – the ultimate form of recycling.

Source: “Why Teach Preservation?” By Richard Moe, president of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. The entire article originally appeared in the History Channel's “Save Our History Educator's Manual.”



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Preservation 2014 Poster Contest Entry Form

Celebrating Preservation Month May 2014

Please fill out this form in full and submit it with your poster entry. Posters should be drawn on the provided template! Good luck!

The City of Park Ridge Historical Preservation Commission sponsors its 4th annual "Saving Places that Matter to You" poster contest for third-grade students attending an elementary school in Park Ridge and/or third-grade students residing in Park Ridge (i.e. private school outside Park Ridge, home school).

Child's Name: _____ Age: _____

Home Address: _____

Home Phone Number: _____

School child attends: _____

School Name and City, if not in Park Ridge: _____

Child's interests or hobbies (for biographical data only): _____

I hereby certify that this poster was created entirely by the child above and is the child's original artwork and there are no copyrighted characters used. I agree that it may be offered for public display or publication at some time during or after the contest. I understand that this poster becomes the property of the City of Park Ridge and may be reproduced.

The only information that will be released is your child's name, school and grade.

Legal Guardian or Parent Signature: _____

Legal Guardian or Parent (print name): _____

Contact address (if different from above): _____

E-mail Address (optional): _____

Contact phone number: _____

Date: _____

POSTERS ARE DUE BY Friday, March 28, 2014. Fill out this form in full and attach it to the back of the poster.

You may give it to your art teacher at school or deliver it directly to Jon Branham, 2nd floor, City Hall. Visit the City of Park Ridge website for the latest poster contest information and applications. If you have any questions please contact Jon Branham, jbranham@parkridge.us or 847-318-5291.



Saving places that matter.

Help protect Park Ridge's heritage



Think of any place as important or worth saving, from private homes to public buildings, even parks and streets



Learn from the past from books, photos, local groups and longtime residents

Take pride in your community



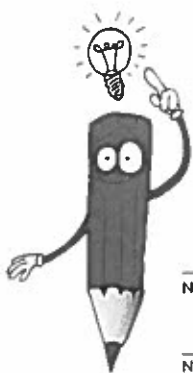
Notice special details in buildings you see



Become familiar with architectural styles around town such as Art Deco, Georgian, Prairie, Spanish Revival, Tudor Revival and Victorian



Study up on people who lived or worked here



Support new uses for old buildings

Appreciate your surroundings



Name and School

Name or Address of Place That Matters to Me

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Find more information online at www.parkridge.us