

## Owe'neh Bupingeh Preservation Project

Ohkay Owingeh, NM

### List of Awards

The Owe'neh Bupingeh Preservation Project has been recognized with the following awards. The initial two awards from AIA Philadelphia and AIA Santa Fe recognized the achievements of the planning process and are categorized as "unbuilt." Atkin Olshin Schade Architects, the primary planning, preservation, and design consultant is based out of both Philadelphia, PA and Santa Fe, NM. Staff from both offices contributed significant time to the project, thus it was eligible for awards in both locations.

**1. AIA Philadelphia 2011 Awards for Design Excellence: Merit Award, Preservation, Unbuilt.**

The awards are given for projects in the Philadelphia area and around the world. Hundreds of projects were submitted for consideration by AIA Philadelphia's member firms. The jury for this year's awards comprised architects from southern California, including Buzz Yudell, FAIA, of Moore Rubell Yudell Architects + Planners, Santa Monica; Julie Eizenberg, AIA, of KoningEizenberg, Santa Monica; Lawrence Scarpa, FAIA, of Brooks + Scarpa Architects, Los Angeles; Nick Seierup, FAIA, of Perkins + Will, Los Angeles; and Linda Pollari, RA, of Otis College of Art & Design, Los Angeles.

**2. AIA Santa Fe 2011 Design Excellence Awards: Honor Award, Unbuilt.**

The project received the highest award given by AIA Santa Fe in 2011. The awards jury was comprised of Harry Teague, AIA of Harry Teague Architects, Basalt, Co; Glenn Rappaport, AIA of Black Shack Architects, Basalt, CO; and Michael Erneman, AIA of The Erneman Group Architects, Basalt, CO. Jury chair, Harry Teague noted during the award ceremony that juries are typically "skeptical and hesitant to give a design award to an un-built project. Our goal as architects is ultimately to make actual buildings, not necessarily pretty drawings and models. As we all are aware, it is extremely difficult to produce a real building, and a bit of a miracle to produce a beautiful one. A lot can happen between the drawing and the brick. The Owe'neh Bupingeh plan, is not, however, in any way a hypothetical exercise. The unusually high quality of the extraordinarily thorough design process, and the clarity and convincing rationality of the results of this process make this readily apparent. This beautifully explained process and comprehensive plan are a model of how such restoration should be done. The brilliance of this plan is that it preserves a national historic treasure, not by freezing it in time, but by encouraging it to thrive as a natural evolving community."

**3. Design Corps / Social Economic Environmental Design Network (SEED) Awards**

<http://www.publicinterestdesign.org/2012/01/27/seed-announces-2012-award-honorees/>, accessed 2/18/15. The project was one of six international projects to receive the 2012 SEED Award, focusing on social impact and community design processes. The Social Economic Environmental Design (SEED) Competition Design Awards program honors extraordinary design projects and demonstrates that an emerging field of contributing architecture has reached a critical mass. Juror's comments: The award winners and honorable mentions were outstanding examples of design in the public's interest from diverse communities across the globe. These projects offer tangible evidence of how design is effectively playing a role in addressing the most critical issues around the globe, not just the environment but directly addressing the biggest social and economic challenges. Each project team carefully identified a community's needs and priorities, then maximized the use of resources to strategically address these. In the winning, multiple issues were addressed by the design response so that positive impact was maximized. A short documentary on the project is premiered in Austin, as part of the awards ceremony. <http://www.seedocs.org/projects/oweneh-bupingeh/>, accessed 2/18/2015.

**4. AIA Pennsylvania, 2012 Design Excellence Awards, Silver Medal**

A Silver Medal from AIA Pennsylvania is a rare honor, the highest-level award, and given only at the jury's discretion for a project that distinguishes itself from the rest of the submissions. The jury noted that "the architects and their collaborators deserve tremendous credit for using their skill to empower a Native

American community to rebuild its historic village and its traditional way of life. This work serves as a model for the power of collaboration between those of us who focus on design and those who focus on the communities for which we design.”

**5. Affordable Housing Finance Magazine, Reader’s Choice Awards, 2012**

Affordable Housing Finance Magazine selected the project as one of 34 projects across the country for their 2012 Reader’s Choice Awards. The project was one of four finalists in the in the “Historic Rehabilitation” category. The project was published in the magazine and on the AHF website.

<http://www.housingfinance.com/affordable-housing/owe-neh-bupingeh-preservation-project.aspx?dfpzone=policylegislation>, accessed 2/18/2015.

**6. Environmental Design Research Association, Research Award, 2012**

The Environmental Design Research Association (EDRA) is an international, interdisciplinary organization founded in 1968 by design professionals, social scientists, students, educators, and facility managers. The project was selected as the 2012 Place Research Winner. The awards jury noted the creative use of historical photographs to guide the community in developing the preservation plan.

**7. New Mexico Historic Preservation Division, Heritage Preservation Award, 2012**

These awards are given annually by the Cultural Properties Review Committee of the NM SHPO, in recognition of outstanding efforts in historic preservation in New Mexico.

**8. American Planning Association / HUD Secretary’s Opportunity and Empowerment Award, 2013**

The HUD Secretary’s Award, presented jointly by HUD and APA, recognizes a plan, program, or project that has been in effect for at least three years and improves the quality of life for low- and moderate-income community residents. Emphasis is placed on how creative housing, economic development, and private investments have been used in or with a comprehensive community development plan to empower a community. Ann C. Bagley, FAICP, the 2013 APA Awards Jury chair said that the project reclaims and reintroduces time-tested living in a manner that supports and integrates housing as a part of the culture. Ohkay Owingeh is the first Native American tribe to receive this award.

<https://www.planning.org/awards/2013/?print=true#Excellence>, accessed 2/18/2015.

**9. AIA Western Mountain Region, Award of Excellence, 2013**

The AIA Western Mountain Region Design Awards program recognizes excellence in design, planning, and construction of projects located anywhere in the world that are designed by AIA architects registered and licensed in the Western Mountain Region: Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Nevada, Utah and Wyoming. The intent of the design awards program is to honor the highest standards of design in response to user requirements, site, context, climate, and environment. Each entry, regardless of size or classification, is judged individually on the basis of total design merit.

<http://aiawmr.org/awards/design-awards/#jp-carousel-554>, accessed 2/18/2015.

**10. Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development – Honoring Nations Program, High Honors, 2014**

From more than 60 applicants, six tribal governance programs have been selected as 2014 Awardees by the Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development’s Honoring Nations program. The Honoring Nations awards identify, celebrate, and share excellence in American Indian tribal governance. At the heart of Honoring Nations is the principle that tribes themselves hold the key to generating social, political, cultural, and economic prosperity and that self-governance plays a crucial role in building and sustaining strong, healthy Indian nations. Calling them trailblazers, Chairman of the Honoring Nations Board of Governors Chief Oren Lyons (Onondaga) says, “the 2014 Honoring Nations awardees look down the long road and don’t get lost in the demands of the moment. They are about our future, and the children coming, and the responsibilities of all leaders to their nations.”

<http://www.hks.harvard.edu/news-events/news/press-releases/2014-honoring-nations-awardees>, accessed 2/18/2015

**11. National Trust for Historic Preservation / Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 2014**

The National Trust for Historic Preservation and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation presented the Award for Federal Partnerships in Historic Preservation to Owe'neh Bupingeh Preservation Project, Ohkay Owingeh, New Mexico. This is one of 17 award winners to be honored by the National Trust during its 2014 National Preservation Conference in Savannah, Ga.

[http://www.preservationnation.org/who-we-are/press-center/press-releases/2014/owenwh-bupingeh.html#.VGUzr\\_nF98E](http://www.preservationnation.org/who-we-are/press-center/press-releases/2014/owenwh-bupingeh.html#.VGUzr_nF98E), accessed 2/18/2015.

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<http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/training/awards/2014-national-presrvation-awards/owenwh-bupingeh-preservation.html#.VKqhuXskrVE>, accessed 2/18/2015.