



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: February 12, 2013

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Planning Division, Community Development Department

SUBJECT: 2013 Architectural Board Of Review And Historic Landmarks Commission Design Awards

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council join the Architectural Board of Review and the Historic Landmarks Commission in presenting the 2013 Design Awards.

DISCUSSION:

Since 1986, the City's Historic Landmarks Commission (HLC) and the Architectural Board of Review (ABR) have jointly selected buildings, landscape features, and people to receive design awards. The award winners are selected by reviewing remodel projects and new buildings constructed throughout the City to determine projects or individuals that deserve recognition. One of the awards, The Saint Barbara Award, is bestowed upon a member of the local community who has demonstrated a strong commitment to enhance and preserve the appearance of the City. It has been several years since these awards were last handed out. The last group of award recipients was honored by Council in 2007. The objectives of the award program are:

- Public awareness of the rich architectural heritage of Santa Barbara;
- Public awareness of the valuable contributions made by the ABR and the HLC in preserving that heritage as reflected in renovation and new construction;
- Recognition of community members that contribute to preserve Santa Barbara; and
- Recognition of architects and designers for excellence in their professions.

Three categories of awards have been established, and may be presented to recipients who have been nominated by a joint subcommittee of ABR and HLC members. The categories are:

1. The Saint Barbara Award for outstanding service to enhance and preserve the built environment of Santa Barbara;
2. The George Washington Smith Award for exemplary design in architecture; and
3. The Lockwood de Forest Award for exemplary design in landscape architecture and non-habitable structures.

Award recipients, including owners of the buildings to be recognized, have been invited to attend the Council presentation (See Attachment 1). The design awards are clay Saltillo tile plaques that have bronze inlay and are enhanced with handcrafted calligraphy lettering by local artist, Leslee Sipress (See Attachment 2).

Santa Barbara has a long tradition of ensuring high quality design while also preserving its architectural heritage. In addition, the City's beauty is significantly enhanced when generous landscaping is provided as a key component of a project's design. The design awards program an important way for the community to honor those who make extra effort to carry forward that tradition. The Architectural Board of Review and the Historic Landmarks Commission request that Council join in the presentation of the 2013 awards.

ATTACHMENTS: 1. Photo of Tile Plaque Award
2. List 2013 Award Recipients

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APPROVED BY: City Administrator's Office



**2013 JOINT ARCHITECTURAL BOARD OF REVIEW AND
HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION AWARDS**

Saint Barbara Award- individual who has given outstanding service to enhance and preserve built environment

Kellam De Forest - civic activist, historic preservation advocate

George Washington Smith Award- exemplary design in architecture

2100 Laguna St- Residential Addition/ Mark Shields- Completed 2009

Lockwood de Forrest Award- exemplary design in landscape architecture and non-habitable structures

Historical Society Museum -136 E. De La Guerra St.- Completed 2009
Martha Degasis/ Arcadia Studio

The awards ceremony will include a brief presentation of each award including photographs of the building and landscape improvements

The Awards Committee consisted of HLC members Don Sharpe, Louise Boucher and ABR members Stephanie Poole, Kirk Gradin. Assistance from Bill Mahan.



**City of Santa Barbara
City Council
2013 Joint ABR/HLC
Awards**

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Awards Program

- ◆ George Washington Smith Award
architectural design
- ◆ Lockwood de Forest Award
landscape architecture
- ◆ Saint Barbara Award
outstanding community service

Awards Program History

- ◆ Founded in 1985
- ◆ Awarded by ABR & HLC
- ◆ Last issued in 2007
- ◆ Hand-painted Saltillo tile with bronze inset
- ◆ Except for SB Award, 2 plaques made:
 - one for recipient;
 - one for building/landscape

2003

Saint Barbara Award

ARCHITECTURAL BOARD OF REVIEW
HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION

Louise Boucher





George Washington Smith Award

Given for architectural design
excellence

George Washington Smith Award

2100 Laguna Street

Mark Shields, Architect- DesignARC



**George Washington Smith Award
2100 Laguna Street
Mark Shields, Architect**



- Originally designed by Mary Craig- Constructed 1925
- Spanish Colonial Revival style house
- Part of Plaza Rubio Subdivision

George Washington Smith Award
2100 Laguna Street
Mark Shields, Architect



PLATE 3. 2100 Laguna Street: front, west elevation, note the sandstone wall, facing east.
Photograph by Stephen C. Murray, June 2005



- Eligible as a Structure of Merit status before alterations.
- Highly visible location
- Additions meet compliance with Secretary of Interior Standards
- Located in El Pueblo Viejo Landmark District Part II.

George Washington Smith Award
2100 Laguna Street
Mark Shields, Architect



- Modest, seamless additions
- Low profile 2nd story
- Respects historic location- Plaza Rubio
- Demonstrates artistic talents of Mr. Shields

George Washington Smith Award
2100 Laguna Street
Mark Shields, Architect





Lockwood de Forest Award

Given for excellence in design of
landscaping, ornamental structures and
non-habitable structures



Lockwood de Forest Award

Santa Barbara Historical Museum

136 E. De La Guerra Street

Martha Degasis

Arcadia Studio, Landscape Architects



**Martha Degasis /Arcadia Studio
Landscape Architects
Lockwood de Forest Award**



**Martha Degasis /Arcadia Studio
Lockwood de Forest Award**



- Traditional native landscape for setting
- Maintains space symmetry of open air courtyards
- SB Historical Museum underwent major grading excavation work as part of renovations

**Martha Degasis /Arcadia Studio
Landscape Architects**



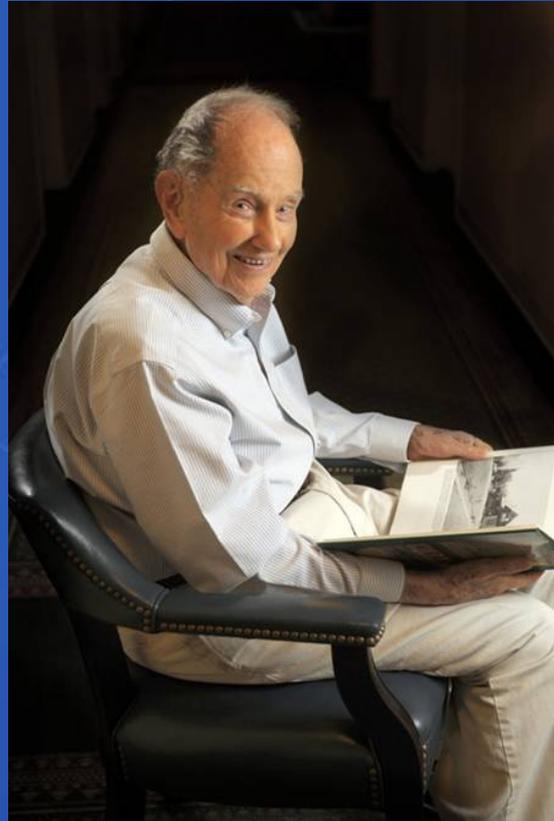
Saint Barbara Award

Given to an individual who has provided outstanding service to the community to enhance and preserve the built environment of Santa Barbara

Saint Barbara Award

Kellam de Forest
Historic Preservation Advocate

Saint Barbara Award



Kellam de Forest

Saint Barbara Award

Interesting Facts:

Active in attending public hearings and offering comments

Founding member of the Pearl Chase Society

Son of Lockwood de Forest Jr.

Kellam de Forest

Congratulations and Thanks!

Thanks to:

Local artist, Leslee Sipress for calligraphy work.

ABR/HLC Joint Awards Subcommittee

Donald Sharpe – HLC Member

Kirk Gradin – ABR Member

Stephanie Poole – ABR Member

Bill Mahan- Assistance to fabricate awards