

Barn of the YEAR AWARDS

Michigan Barn Preservation Network , P.O. Box 614 Mt. Pleasant, MI 48804-0614

Promoting appreciation, preservation, and rehabilitation of Michigan barns, farmsteads, and rural communities.

Each year, the Michigan Barn Preservation Network (MBPN) honors heritage barns (pre-1957 and located in Michigan) which have been well maintained, to spread awareness of the treasure these structures represent. The awards will be presented at the MBPN annual conference in March at Michigan State University and will include four categories:

1) Continuing Family/Private Agricultural Use

3) Non-profit Agricultural or Adaptive Use

2) Family/Private Adaptive Use

4) Commercial Agricultural or Adaptive Use

A nominated barn can, but need not be owned by the nominating person, and may have been moved from its original location. It must retain its integrity as a barn. Barns nominated in previous years may be nominated again.

Nominations must be postmarked by December 31. Mail to:

Barn of the Year Committee

c/o 414 S Burdick Suite 300

Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Owner _____

Address/phone/email _____

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Location of barn _____

Category:

___ Continued Family/Private Agricultural Use

___ Family/Private Adaptive Use

___ Non-profit Agricultural or Adaptive Use

___ Commercial Agricultural or Adaptive Use

Nominated by _____

Address/phone/email _____

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Using additional sheets, please provide history of the barn (date built, builder, style, past and present uses, unique features, recognition received, work done to preserve it.) Be detailed!

Please provide photos of all exterior elevations of the barn and of barn interiors. Include special details of the barn and work done. Photographs must be of high quality (preferably digital) suitable for reprint, enlargement and display. They will not be returned. Do NOT write on the photograph with pencil or ballpoint pen or use paper clips. Attach a "post it" with information or use a photo-safe pen.

Barns will be judged for completeness of information, sensitivity and integrity of repairs or modifications, visual appeal, and effort expended to repair and maintain the barn.