

Excellence in Tribal Historic Preservation Award

To be presented at the
25th Annual NATHPO Conference



Upholding Tribal Sovereignty: Protecting Native Places in a Shifting Landscape

Please return at your earliest convenience and no later than **August 8, 2025**.

NATHPO will present our Excellence in Tribal Historic Preservation Award at the NATHPO Conference September 8-12, 2025. This annual award recognizes Tribal Historic Preservation Officers who have made exemplary contributions to protecting culturally important places and perpetuating Native identity, resilience, and cultural endurance. Connections to cultural heritage sustain the health and vitality of Native peoples and THPOs are at the forefront of this work.

Eligibility: The awardee must be a member of NATHPO who has made a significant impact through her/his work protecting Native places or otherwise preserving cultural heritage. Nominees are THPOs who demonstrate exemplary achievement and quality of work in historic and cultural preservation, advocacy, building partnerships, and elevating the community of THPOs.

Nominations may be made by NATHPO members. NATHPO staff can provide verification of membership status ([join or renew today!](#)). Awardee is selected by the NATHPO Board of Directors following the August 8 deadline.

Presentation: Award recipient will be announced during the 25th Annual NATHPO Conference.

Nominator

Tribe/Organization:

Contact Name & Title:

Address:

Telephone:

Email:

Nominee

Tribe/Organization:

Contact Name & Title:

Address:

Telephone:

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Justification: Please explain how Nominee demonstrates exemplary achievement and quality of work in Tribal historic and cultural preservation, advocacy, building partnerships, and elevating the community of THPOs. Provide specific examples.

Deadline: Nominations must be received by **August 8, 2025**.

Submit Nominations to: Valerie Grussing, NATHPO Executive Director valerie@nathpo.org, and copy to: Melissa Madrigal, NATHPO Operations Director melissa@nathpo.org