



# Town of Henrietta Local Historic Designation Application

Property Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Year Property was Built: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the property listed in the National Register of  
Historic Places?  No  Yes, Record # \_\_\_\_\_

### **Owner Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (if different from above):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Reason Applying for Designation**

(attach additional sheet if necessary):  
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Town of Henrietta  
Historic Site Committee

The Town of Henrietta Historic Site  
Committee is a group of seven  
volunteers appointed by the Town  
Board.

For upcoming meeting dates, please  
visit [www.henrietta.org](http://www.henrietta.org). All interested  
residents are invited to attend and  
participate.

For More Information Contact:

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# Local Historic Site Designation



Antoinette Brown Blackwell House

*Preserving our heritage  
for future generations*



Town of Henrietta



150 Stone Road

## Historic Preservation

In an era when houses and commercial buildings all look alike, Henrietta residents and visitors to our town can appreciate the historic places and the extra effort required by owners to maintain their historic properties. These places help connect us with our past and remind us of the history of our town.

The first Henrietta Historic Site District was created in 1979. Today, the Town of Henrietta has 87 properties in 13 Preservation Districts. These include churches and barns, however most are private residences.

Many people wonder about the relevance of historic preservation. Preservation gives a community a distinct identity. It reminds us that our histories have meaning - that our present springs directly from our past!



283 Castle Road

## Benefits of Designation

- Local historic site designation is the only designation that can prevent demolition or inappropriate alterations to the exterior structure of historic buildings viewable from public right-of-ways.
- Historic preservation can provide stable property values and may even increase these values.
- Income producing properties which are designated local historic sites and are listed in the National Register of Historic Places may qualify for federal income tax credits.
- Participation in historic preservation provides your community the opportunity to recognize the historical, architectural and cultural significance of your property.
- Voluntary membership in a historic preservation district gives the homeowner the opportunity to preserve his or her home for future generations.
- The Historic Site Committee, the Landmark Society of Western New York, and other state agencies are available to advise homeowners on appropriate methods and materials for maintaining the property.

## Frequently Asked Questions

### *How can my home qualify?*

Your house may qualify if it was once the residence of a prominent individual who made significant contributions to the cultural, social, economic or political development of the town. Your property may also represent one or more examples of local architecture that have not been significantly altered from their original design. Or your property may be in a unique location which represents the development of an area of the town. All houses must be at least fifty years old.

### *Will designation as an historic site increase my taxes?*

No. Changes in the assessed valuation of homes and other properties which affect your tax rate do not occur because you have joined a preservation district.

### *Can I make changes to my home and property?*

Yes! Normal exterior maintenance which conforms to the original standards of the period are at the discretion of the homeowner. All permit requests submitted to the Town's Building Department for alteration, modification, new construction or demolition affecting historic sites will be turned over to the Historic Site Committee for review. Preserving the interior, while encouraged, is not required.

### *How do I nominate my property for designation?*

Fill out the attached application or contact the Historic Site Committee.