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PORTLAND, OREGON'S LADD CARRIAGE HOUSE
TO RECEIVE NATIONAL PRESERVATION AWARD

The Victorian Society in America announced that Portland Oregon's Ladd Carriage House will receive that Society's highest honor in recognition of the work undertaken to preserve and rehabilitate the important Portland historic building. The Award will be presented at 7:30 pm on May 29, 2011 in the Queen Marie Ballroom of the Embassy Suites Hotel, 310 SW Pine Street, Portland, OR.

The 1883 stable and carriage house is the only surviving structure from the once extensive Estate owned by pioneer Portland business man William Sargent Ladd (1926-1893). Carleton Hart Architecture were the restoration architects. The building is owned by US Bank and was developed by Venerable Development, LLC of Portland.

The building's future was in doubt until strong community support for its preservation tipped the scale in its favor. The Friends of Ladd Carriage House, a committee of the Architectural Heritage Center/Bosco-Milligan Foundation spear-headed the effort.

Charles Robertson, Chairman of the Victorian Society in America Preservation Committee said from Washington, DC, "*This Preservation Award is for the preservation and rehabilitation of this impressive 1883 stable that was saved through heroic effort and after years of neglect and threatened demolition. The saving of this building is a credit to those involved, and is of great benefit to people of Oregon and the Nation*".

The Victorian Society in America was founded in 1966 at the suggestion of Britain's Sir Nikolaus Pevsner, CBE, FBA after the demolition of New York's old Pennsylvania Railway Station. Early Society founders and supporters included former First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, preservation architect James Marston Fitch, and *New Yorker* columnist Brendan Gill. It is the only national organization committed to historic preservation, protection, understanding, education, and enjoyment of America's nineteenth century heritage.

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