



2010 ENDANGERED MARYLAND

Frequently Asked Questions

How is a site nominated?

Nominations for Endangered Maryland sites should include the ten pieces of information outlined on the Request for Nominations. Nominations can be submitted via mail or email by September 25, 2009. Pictures must be submitted in a digital format. If you have any questions about the nomination, please contact Jessica Feldt at 410-685-2886 x 302.

What is an organization committing to by nominating a site?

Nominating a site to the Endangered Maryland program is an indication that your organization thinks the site is important to your community and worthy of preservation. Nominators should be prepared to discuss the site with *Maryland Life* magazine for their feature article and field other media inquiries or designate an outside person to do so. Nominations are not intended to be antagonistic, nor do they commit the nominator to any financial stake in the site. Designation of Endangered Maryland sites is intended to raise awareness, demonstrate support for preserving the site, and help to find viable solutions for doing so.

Can an individual submit a nomination?

Individuals can write and submit nominations, but the nomination must have the support of an organization. A representative of the organization should be willing to field questions about the site and contribute a quote to the article or, if they prefer, can direct inquiries to the individual nominator. As with any effort to save a historic site, it is vital to have the support of a local preservation organization.

What is the selection process?

A Selection Committee of preservationists from throughout Maryland evaluates nominations based on a list of seven criteria. The criteria are as follows:

- Historic significance,
- Urgency of the threat,
- Feasibility of solution,
- Level of community support,
- Geographic diversity,
- Diversity of resource, and
- Diversity of the type of threat.

These criteria guide the Committee in selecting a list of sites that reflect the diverse nature of Maryland's historic resources, the threats facing them and demonstrate the community dedication to saving them.

When are the Endangered Maryland selections announced?

Due to the nature of this program, we are not at liberty to disclose the selections until the release of the March/April issue of *Maryland Life*. You will receive a letter shortly before the magazine's release informing you if your site has been selected or not. This is generally done around the last week of February or the first week of March.