Fitchburg Historic Marker Program

INFORMATION

Recognizing the special place your home or structure has in Fitchburg’s rich heritage.

The Fitchburg Historical Commission in collaboration with the Fitchburg Historical Society is sponsoring this historic marker program to promote the value of our shared heritage by recognizing structures built at least fifty years ago that maintain their basic character.

This is an opportunity to show pride in your ownership and help our community appreciate your building’s special architectural heritage. Markers also make unique and thoughtful gifts.

How to apply
Apply using the attached form. Provide any known information about the structure and its origins (from the deed, census, tax listing, etc.), plus copies of current (and past) photographs, if available.

The Historical Commission will review the application and determine if the structure is eligible for the program. Buildings must have been constructed at least fifty years ago and should retain substantial design character.

Volunteers at the Fitchburg Historical Society will help identify and verify your information.

The marker serves only to highlight a home or structure that contributes to Fitchburg’s rich heritage. Even though the marker has been awarded, there are no restrictions on the property. There is no obligation to preserve the character of the building, although the Commission obviously hopes that its integrity will be maintained. There is no requirement that the building be listed on the State or National Register of Historic Places.

Plaque details
Deep red background with white lettering and accents on durable hand-painted wood
Oval-shaped approx. 11” high x 16” wide
Attaches with two screws, included and with holes pre-drilled
Cost: $62, delivery included (payment will be returned for non-eligible structures)

The Commission recommends that the plaque be installed to the right or left of the front door, at eye level. For help in locating your plaque, please contact the Historical Commission.

Bonus
Each Historical Marker comes with a free one-year membership to the Fitchburg Historical Society. If you are already a member, you may transfer this free membership to another individual. Go to http://www.fitchburghistoricalsociety.org for details on membership or stop by The Phoenix Building at 781 Main Street.
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Application

Contact Information

Building Address: ____________________________________________________________

Current Property Owner: ____________________________________________________

Applicant Name (if different from owner): ______________________________________

Mailing address (if different): ________________________________________________

E-mail address: _____________________________________________________________

Telephone (day/evening/cell): _____________ / _____________ / ________________

Name and address for bonus Fitchburg Historical Society one-year individual membership:

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Building Information to be placed on plaque  (please attach a recent photo)

Year of construction: ______________ or Circa (approx.) year of construction: ______________

Please choose one:  Built for / Home of

Name of original home or building owner(s) or alternate name on plaque:

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Significance of alternate name: ________________________________________________

Occupation of original owner or use of original building (optional): _________________

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To be placed at bottom of each plaque: Fitchburg Historical Commission

Comments: __________________________________________________________________

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Information will be researched with the help of the Fitchburg Historical Society
Please enclose check or money order for $62.00 made payable to “Ould Colony Artisans” and mail to:
Fitchburg Historical Commission, 66 Boulder Drive, Fitchburg, MA 01420
Delivery may take up to 90 days

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