



Firm Receives Award for Design Excellence

The Louis & Henry Group has received a Merit Award from the AIA Kentucky Honor Awards Jury for Excellence in Architectural Design for its renovation of the Louisville Water company's historic Pump Station No. One, more commonly known in the community as the Water Tower.

The jury commended Louis & Henry for its "loving restoration" of the 1860 Greek revival structure.

Used as headquarters and exhibit space for The Louisville Visual Arts Association, the original structure was built as the Engine House for the river pumping station of the Louisville Water Company. The 183-foot water tower and engine house are part of an historic complex still utilized by the water company and used as the company's logo. It is an icon well known to the community, and a serious water infiltration problem threatened its long-term life.

To address the moisture threat, a front porch across the entire front of the building that had been added decades before was removed and the surrounding grade lines around the building were returned to original levels.

The annual awards program is coordinated by the Kentucky Society of Architects, a Society of the American Institute of Architects (AIA).

