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## News Release

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National Trust for Historic Preservation Awards Friends of Eagle Island, Inc.  
A Preservation Grant *Towards Architectural Drawings for Eagle Island  
Camp*

**Saranac Lake, NY (January 23, 2017)**— In October 2016, Friends of Eagle Island, Inc. was awarded a \$10,000 grant by the [National Trust for Historic Preservation](#) from the Hart Family Fund for Small Towns. These grant funds will be used to match local funds to help support the Architectural Drawings for Eagle Island Camp project.

"Organizations like Friends of Eagle Island, help to ensure that communities and towns all across America retain their unique sense of place," said Stephanie Meeks, president of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. "We are honored to provide a grant to Friends of Eagle Island, which will use the funds to help preserve an important piece of our shared national heritage."

Grants from the National Trust Preservation Funds range from \$2,500 to \$10,000 and have provided over \$15 million since 2003. These matching grants are awarded to nonprofit organizations and public agencies across the country to support wide-ranging activities including consultant services for rehabilitating buildings, technical assistance for tourism that promotes historic resources, and the development of materials for education and outreach campaigns.

### **About the National Trust for Historic Preservation**

The National Trust for Historic Preservation is a privately-funded nonprofit organization that works to save America's historic places to enrich our future. The National Trust for Historic Preservation is committed to protecting America's rich cultural legacy and helping build vibrant, sustainable communities that reflect our nation's diversity. Follow us on Twitter @savingplaces.

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Preservation Fund grants, visit:  
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### **About Friends of Eagle Island, Inc.**

Friends of Eagle Island, Inc. (FEI) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit entity that owns Eagle Island, a 30 acre island Great Camp on Upper Saranac Lake in the Adirondack

region, and will be revitalizing this National Historic Landmark to its prior use as a youth camp. Eagle Island Camp was operated by the Girl Scouts for over 70 years, providing life-changing high adventure, wilderness, canoeing and sailing experiences to generations of girls and young women. These programs built self-confidence and independence, increased leadership skills, and instilled a love of the outdoors.

The vision for Eagle Island is threefold: (1) to provide an environmentally responsible and economically sustainable summer camp accessible to youth of diverse socioeconomic backgrounds, (2) to conserve and preserve Eagle Island's natural and historic character, and (3) to provide Historic tours that promote public understanding, appreciation, and stewardship of Adirondack heritage.

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