

Hotel on North and Karen T. Hunt, architect receive preservation awards



Hotel on North in Pittsfield has won an award for its architect. *(Photo Provided)*

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PITTSFIELD -- [Hotel on North](#), and its architect, Karen T. Hunt, are each being recognized by statewide organizations this spring for the projects' preservation efforts.

Hotel on North is the recipient of a 2016 Massachusetts Historical Commission Preservation Award in the category of Adaptive Reuse for the rehabilitation and restoration of the Burns Block and New Burns Block as Hotel on North.

The Massachusetts Historical Commission awarded state historic tax credits to the Hotel project in 2015. The Hotel will be honored at an awards ceremony on May 19, 2016 at the Massachusetts Archives Building.

"Pittsfield has so many beautiful historic structures and stunning architecture, and David and I are thrilled to be able to breathe life back into this magnificent building," said co-owner Laurie Tierney, "we hope others will recognize that Pittsfield is a beautiful city with so much to offer, and will follow in the revitalization efforts."

Karen T. Hunt, AIA, the Pittsfield-based architect of Hotel on North, is a recipient of a Preservation Massachusetts 2016 Paul and Niki Tsongas Award. The theme of the 2016 Award is Women in Preservation and Ms. Hunt is being recognized for her contributions to preservation efforts in Massachusetts, which include the rehabilitation of two historic buildings on North Street into Hotel on North. Honoree Karen Hunt said, these awards are testimony to the difference a thoughtful, committed local team can make." Ms. Hunt and the other award recipients will be honored on May 4, 2016 at the annual Preservation Awards Dinner at the Fairmont Copley Plaza Hotel in Boston.

Hotel on North, a 45 room boutique hotel, is principally owned by David and Laurie Tierney of Pittsfield. The \$14-million rehabilitation project was completed by David J. Tierney, Jr.Inc. Earlier this year, Hotel on North was named one of the best new hotels of 2015 by Architectural Digest. June 1, 2016 will mark the Hotel's one year anniversary.

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