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Naper Settlement receives Illinois Association of Museums and MarCom awards

Naperville, Ill. — Naper Settlement recently was honored with awards from the Illinois Association of Museums and the MarCom Awards competition.

During its annual awards ceremony held Nov. 4 in Naperville, the Illinois Association of Museums presented Naper Settlement/Naperville Heritage Society with two Superior Achievement Awards, one for its Collections Care and Storage Improvements, and one for the Naperville Heritage Society 40th Anniversary Celebration.

In 2007, the Naperville Heritage Society, administrator of Naper Settlement, partnered with the City of Naperville to construct a purpose-built storage facility to house collections, as part of the city's Multi-Purpose Public Works Service Center. The successful completion of the storage project has allowed for the preservation and sharing of the museum's important and unique collections of Naperville's history. The Naperville Heritage Society marked its 40th anniversary in 2009 in several ways, including a proclamation from the City of Naperville declaring Feb. 5, 2009, as "Naperville Heritage Society Day," a commemorative anniversary edition of *Treasures Magazine* and a documentary produced by Naperville Community Television, Channel 17, titled "A Hallmark of Heritage."

Naper Settlement recently received a Gold Award from the MarCom Awards for its Garden Guide informational brochure and an honorable mention for its Wedding & Rental Guide brochure design. An international creative competition, the MarCom Awards recognize outstanding achievement by marketing and communication professionals around the world. There were almost 5,000 entries from throughout the United States and several foreign countries in the MarCom Awards 2010 competition.

History comes to life at Naper Settlement, an outdoor museum village, located in downtown Naperville at 523 S. Webster St. Accredited by the American Association of Museums, Naper Settlement has 30 historic structures ranging from a rustic log cabin to an elegant Victorian mansion, listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Open year round, for more information about hours and admission prices, visit www.napersettlement.museum or call (630) 420-6010.

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