2025 Entry Information Theme

Historical Buildings of Iowa

"Explore details as much as the whole."

All around Iowa you will find Iowa "Historic Buildings. The Iowa Code defines any building or structure that is listed in the state, or National Register of Historic Places; that is designated as a historic property under local or state designation law or survey; that is certified as a contributing resource within a National Register-listed or locally designated historic district; or that has an opinion or certification that the property is eligible to be listed on the state or National Register of Historic Places either individually or as a contributing building to a historic district by the state historic preservation officer pursuant to Iowa Code section 103A.42 or the Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places.

Your assignment this year is to capture the essence of why this is viewed as a historical building in Iowa. The idea is to creatively use the design and placement to show the world the building like we have never seen it before.

Here are some things to think about when taking your photos for this assignment. You don't always have to wait for a bright sunny day to take your photos, shoot in a variety of weather conditions and times of day. Once you have decided on the time of day you want to shoot be sure to prioritize good lighting. Look for unique angles and explore details of the architecture of the buildings you are photographing. Don't be afraid to include people in your photographs, as in all good photography, take your photo as if you are telling us a story.

As always, we look forward to seeing all the creative ways that you can photograph these fabulous historical buildings from all over the great state of lowa.

See you in 2025!



Note: Entry forms for the 2025 Iowa State Fair Photography Salon will be available April 1, 2025 at www.iowastatefair.org

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