

Paducah named as one of Five Most Romantic Main Streets by National Trust for Historic Preservation

PADUCAH, Ky., February 11, 2011 –Paducah, Kentucky, was named one of the five Most Romantic Main Streets as the result of an online photo submission contest conducted by the National Trust for Historic Preservation (NTHP). The Paducah Convention & Visitors Bureau received the announcement on Thursday, February 10.

With Valentine’s Day fast approaching, the NTHP wanted to know where to find America’s top romantic Main Streets. Communities were encouraged to upload five of their best pictures that illustrated why their Main Street and Historic Downtown districts should be named America’s most romantic. Captions were used to explain specific reasons and places that show why each destination’s Main Street deserved this title.

Erica Stewart, Outreach Coordinator for the NTHP, coordinated the contest. “I’ve had lots of fun getting to know this side of the winning communities,” said Stewart. “We’re happy to help shine a light on Main Street’s many attractive qualities!”

Other winning communities include Middletown, Connecticut; Madison, Indiana; Natchitoches, Louisiana; and Franklin, Tennessee. The NTHP website, located at www.preservationnation.org/most-romantic-mainstreets features a "flickr" slideshow of the submissions and a Dream Date itinerary for each destination.

The National Trust for Historic Preservation (www.PreservationNation.org) is a non-profit membership organization bringing people together to protect, enhance and enjoy the places that matter to them. By saving the places where great moments from history – and the important moments of everyday life – took place, the National Trust for Historic Preservation helps revitalize neighborhoods and communities, spark economic development and promote environmental sustainability. With headquarters in Washington, DC, eight regional and field offices, 29 historic sites, and partner organizations in 50 states, territories, and the District of Columbia, the National Trust for Historic Preservation provides leadership, education, advocacy and resources to a national network of people, organizations and local communities committed to saving places, connecting us to our history and collectively shaping the future of America’s stories.