



## Zeeland Historical Society House Plaque Application

The Zeeland Historical Society's House Plaque Program commemorates our area's historic residential structures and furthers our mission to link the past to the present, inspiring future generations by collecting, preserving, and interpreting the history of Zeeland and its neighboring communities.

The ZHS House Plaque Program is not affiliated with the State or National Register of Historic Places and does not qualify homeowners for any affiliated grants or tax rebates.

For a home to qualify for a house plaque, it must meet the following criteria:

1. Property must lie within the City of Zeeland, Zeeland Township, or Holland Charter Township boundaries.
2. The structure must be at least 70 years old.
3. The structure was primarily built and used as a residence.
4. Original exterior architecture is retained.

To obtain a house plaque, the homeowner must meet the requirements outlined in this application. All research and history should be as complete as possible. This application and your supporting documentation will be kept on file at the Zeeland Historical Society Archives.

### Applicant Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Property Information

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Please refer to your property deed or tax bill to fill in the following:

Property Description: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Example: Lot 110, Zeeland Assessor's Plat No. 1, the East Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 24 in Township 5.)

Property Index Number (PIN): \_\_\_\_\_

(Example: 70-17-19-104-001)

## House History

Year Built: \_\_\_\_\_ Please determine, through extensive research, the year your house was built. Include copies of this research to verify the date. If an exact date cannot be determined, the ZHS may be able to issue a plaque with a circa date. You must provide your research methodology to ensure that all avenues for obtaining your house's build date have been explored.

Original Owner(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Builder (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

List of known previous owners with occupancy dates: (Please attach a typed list)

Example:

Name:	Dates:
Jane Doe	1909 – 1931
John Doe	1932 – 1935

## Historical Significance (If Applicable)

### Association with a notable person:

Person's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date(s) of Residency: \_\_\_\_\_

Person's Significance: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

### Association with a notable event:

Event: \_\_\_\_\_ Date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Significance: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

### Significant builder or architect:

Name of builder/architect: \_\_\_\_\_

Significance: \_\_\_\_\_

## Construction

Please list the construction materials for the following:

Foundation (Ex. concrete, brick, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Exterior (Ex. vinyl, aluminum, wood, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Roof (Ex. asphalt, wooden shingles, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any significant alterations to the exterior elevation: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## Architectural Style and Features

Architectural Style(s)/Building Type(s):

\_\_\_ Queen Anne      \_\_\_ Italianate      \_\_\_ Tudor Revival      \_\_\_ Foursquare

\_\_\_ Cape Cod      \_\_\_ Folk Victorian      \_\_\_ Bungalow      \_\_\_ Shingle

\_\_\_ Craftsman      \_\_\_ Gothic Revival      \_\_\_ Prairie      \_\_\_ Federal

\_\_\_ Greek Revival      \_\_\_ Colonial Revival      \_\_\_ Gable-Front      \_\_\_ Spanish Revival

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Architectural features (Ex. leaded windows, asymmetrical roofline, dental moldings, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Original interior features and finishes (Ex. hardwood floors, fireplaces, crown molding, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

## Required Documentation

1. **Primary source documentation** must be submitted with this application to verify the information provided. Documentation may include copies of city directory listings, newspaper articles, property tax rolls, property deeds, census records, Sanborn maps, plat maps, etc.
2. Please provide current **photographs** of your home. If you have any historic photographs of your home, please include copies of those as well.

## Permission

By applying for a Zeeland Historical Society House Plaque, you agree to have information about your home published in Zeeland Historical Society's publications, lists, website, press releases, and other communications. Your address will not be published unless you provide permission.

I agree to allow the Zeeland Historical Society to include my address in publications, lists, websites, press releases, and other communications. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Payment

The \$100 fee for the plaque is to be paid when the application is submitted. If the application is denied, the fee will be refunded. Please send a total payment of \$100 to the Zeeland Historical Society with this application. Please mail payment information to:

Zeeland Historical Society  
PO Box 165  
Zeeland, MI 49464

Your payment can be sent via check or money order; please do not send cash.

To charge the fee to a credit card, please pay online at [www.zeelandhistory.org](http://www.zeelandhistory.org), at the museum (37 E. Main Ave., Zeeland) at the visitor's services desk, or call the museum at 616-772-4079.

To charge the fee to your credit card by mail, please fill out the form on the next page.

## Payment Information

Card Type:       \_\_\_ Visa               \_\_\_ Master Card           \_\_\_ Discover   \_\_\_ American Express

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CVV: \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

I authorize the Zeeland Historical Society to charge the House Plaque Application fee to my credit card.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_