ELEBRATIVE DETERIOR

Stone & Lime earns Frederick Law Olmsted Honor from Preservation Massachusetts

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Ipswich, MA According to Stone & Lime Historic Restoration Services, a trusted project management partner for the sensitive rehabilitation and renovation of historic structures, the Crane Estate has been chosen to receive a 2025 Frederick Law Olmsted Award from Preservation Massachusetts as a result of its restoration work performed at the historic property's Great House.

Stone & Lime worked in partnership on this project with The Trustees of Reservations and Historic Building Architects. The Crane Estate encompasses more than 2,100 acres and is made up of multiple properties from the Gilded Age, including Castle Hill, a National Historic Landmark that is the home of The Great House, a 59-room Stuart-style mansion designed by architect David Adler.

The Stone & Lime team was tasked with implementing critical repairs to the Great House, including repointing of the brick masonry; detailed sandstone dutchman repairs; and stabilizing of select chimneys. The team also restored the West Portico and North Entrance, including the removal of

deteriorated stucco.

Additional work involved structural repairs to roof decking, parapet walls, and the installation of a new cold fluid applied membrane roof system. Every aspect of the restoration focused on maintaining the historical integrity of the estate, using traditional materials and techniques to match the original construction. In addition, Stone & Lime conducted its repairs around an occupied facility that allowed the Trustees to continue hosting tours and visitors.

"We are honored to have had the opportunity to work with The Trustees of Reservations and deeply appreciate Preservation Massachusetts' recognition of the Great House at the Crane Estate," said Christopher Dabek, vice president, Stone & Lime. "This important landmark on the Massachusetts coastline has been a destination for residents and visitors alike for generations, providing important insights into the Country House era and the architectural styles of David Adler."

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