

# SEIZING HISTORIC TAX CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES

## IN ILLINOIS

Please join **Landmarks Illinois** to discuss efforts to enact a statewide historic tax credit program and the benefits of the Federal Historic Tax Credit program.

We encourage owners of historic commercial buildings, realtors, architects, city planners, public officials, business and economic development leaders, bankers and accountants to attend this workshop about available incentives to reinvest in historic buildings.

The workshop will highlight the findings of Landmarks Illinois' State Historic Tax Credit economic study, released in October 2013, which concluded that a statewide historic tax credit would not only create needed jobs, but also pay for itself. The state's existing River's Edge Historic Tax Credit, available only in five cities – including Aurora – is due to expire in January, 2017. The workshop will discuss how to get a project started before the deadline and highlight its successful use in Rockford.

The workshops will also highlight the usage of the Federal Historic Tax Credit, how it works, and the need to preserve this critical program in Congress.

Presenters:

**Bonnie McDonald**, President, Landmarks Illinois

**Michael Allen**, Historic Preservation Consultant Representative, Illinois Historic Preservation Agency

**Gary Anderson**, Gary Anderson Architects, Rockford

Landmarks Illinois is the state's leading voice for historic preservation by promoting the reuse of buildings as a strategy for economic development and sustaining healthy communities, while expanding the public's understanding and stewardship of the built environment.

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Peacock Brewery, Rockford  
(Courtesy of Gary Anderson Architects)



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**Thursday, August 7, 2014**  
**8:00 am**  
**43 W. Galena Blvd.**  
**Aurora**

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