

# Rye History Marker Program Guidelines

## Included Structures

- Homes built prior to 1942, when Rye City was incorporated, that maintain most of the original architectural style
- Structures or sites of architectural or artistic significance or associated with a person or event of historical significance to the city, state, region or nation

## Benefits

- Homeowner pride
- Celebrates Rye's rich heritage
- Brings history to the streets

## Program Basics

- Voluntary
- Involves no restrictions whatsoever
- Program is not tied to City of Rye, State or federal landmark laws or historic designations. Eligibility for a marker does not make a home eligible for any tax incentives or other benefits available for historic properties

## Markers

- Includes name of builder or name of home if available
- Includes year built (or circa if exact year is not known)
- *Rye Historical Society* name at the bottom
- 7" x 5" oval cast in bronze

## Process

- Interested homeowners should complete an application available at the Square House or on our website: [ryehistory.org/give](http://ryehistory.org/give)
- If homeowners do not have documents establishing the year their home was built, applicants can use the *Knapp House Archives* for research. Please send an email to [archivist@ryehistory.org](mailto:archivist@ryehistory.org) to schedule an appointment if you need research assistance.
- Homeowners will be notified when their application has been reviewed and when markers have been ordered. Process will take at least 6 – 8 weeks for review and marker production. Markers can be picked up at the Square House Museum

## Cost

- The fee for the marker is \$300 for Rye Historical Society members; \$350 for non-members
- Payment can be made either by credit card or check payable to the *Rye Historical Society* when the application is submitted