Accomplishments and Ongoing Projects

Historic Saranac Lake has worked to

- nominate and list over 170 resources to the National Register of Historic Places;
- partner on and administer the Union Depot preservation project;
- preserve the Bartók Cabin and provide tours upon request;
- advocate for the preservation of Saranac Lake’s unique architecture.
- publish books such as: *Cure Cottages of Saranac Lake* by Philip Gallos, and *Saranac 1937-1940: A Memoir* by Richard Ray.
- sponsor educational events and projects such as our Summer Music Series, walking-tours, tours for student groups, lectures, history days, and oral history projects;
- maintain the HSL Wiki site: [www.hsl.wikispot.org](http://www.hsl.wikispot.org), an innovative online encyclopedia of over 6,000 pages of local history;
- win the New York State Preservation Award in 2008 for outstanding commitment to community revitalization and the rehabilitation and adaptive use of the Saranac Laboratory.

About Us

Founded in 1980, Historic Saranac Lake is an architectural preservation organization that captures and presents local history from our center at the Saranac Laboratory Museum.

2012 Tours and Events

*Check our website or call us to find out about 2011 tours and events, including:*

- Downtown walking tour
- Cure cottage Museum tour
- Little Red and EL Trudeau statue tour
- Bartók Cottage tour
- Bartók Concerts
- Summer Teacher Workshop

We Need Your Support!

Our work is made possible by the generous support of our members. Please join us!

- Benefactor--$1,000 or more
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- Friend -- $250 or more
- Historian -- $100 or more
- Family -- $65 or more
- Individual -- $35
- Other ______

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The Saranac Laboratory, so named by Dr. Edward Livingston Trudeau, was the first laboratory built in the U.S. for the research of tuberculosis. The laboratory is the key to preservation of an important legacy of research and treatment of tuberculosis in Saranac Lake.

The John Black Room and upstairs addition was added in the 20s and 30s. The lab closed in 1964, with experiments transferred to the new Trudeau Institute. The building was donated to Paul Smith’s College in 1966. It served as classroom and dormitory until 1987. It was closed until 1998 when it was donated to Historic Saranac Lake.

In 2010, Historic Saranac Lake unveiled replicas of the original cabinetry in the main laboratory space. The museum is open through the summer and fall with exhibits on scientific research and patient care.

In 2011, Historic Saranac Lake unveiled a new John Black Room exhibit of historic photographs. The photos, on loan from the Adirondack Room of the Saranac Lake Free Library, will remain on display through 2012.

A new, professionally designed exhibit will open in 2013 telling the unique story of Saranac Lake. The new exhibit is made possible by grants from MuseumWise, the New York Council for the Humanities, and private donations.