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Fighters For Park Will Be Recognized

The National Trust for Historic Preservation will honor Citizens to Preserve Overton Park this afternoon at its second annual awards luncheon in Washington.

An award, presented by actress Helen Hayes, will be accepted by Mrs. William W. Deupree, vice president of Citizens to Preserve Overton Park.

The award is for the Memphis group's effort to stop the building of an expressway through the park. Litigation over the decision is now pending in the federal courts.

The National Trust for Historic Preservation is the only private, nonprofit organization chartered by Congress to encourage public participation in efforts to preserve historic and cultural landmarks.

The trust, through its consultant service grant program, has contributed to Citizens to Preserve Overton Park. It also provided funds for restoration and use of the Lee House in Memphis.

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