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Painting in Partnership Receives 2007 Grand Prize Award

Painting in Partnership, Inc. of Palatine, Illinois has just won the prestigious Grand Prize of the 2007 TOP JOB Award, sponsored by the American Painting Contractor magazine. This Grand Prize includes a monetary award of \$10,000 and the residential project was featured in the March-April issue.

Painting in Partnership's winning entry was a five-color repainting of a Victorian Grande Dame, one of Chicago's historic frame homes that survived the Great Chicago Fire. Over 20 years ago, its current owner undertook a massive restoration of the home and made it into a true Victorian landmark. Having been repainted only once since the restoration, the project presented numerous challenges for the painters, including safety. The architecture and design of the house made access to certain areas very challenging. The project took approximately 700 hours to complete.



American Painting Contractor magazine, first published in 1923, kicked off the 10th Anniversary of the TOP JOB Awards by sending invitations to 25,000 contractor/readers to participate under four categories: residential, commercial/industrial, decorative painting and paperhanging. "Judging the TOP JOB Awards has always been one of my favorite obligations," said Susan Helmer, Editor of *American Painting Contractor* magazine. "Painting In Partnership's winning project is the epitome of what the awards are all about. We are thrilled to name Mario Guertin and his company as the 2007 Grand Prize Winner. Not only does Mario exemplify excellence in painting skill and knowhow, he has a level of concern for employee safety and craftsmanship that put him over the top in all categories of our contest." Painting in Partnership also won an Honorable Mention for its other project submittal.