

Then and Now: Mohonk Testimonial Gateway, view from the tower ([Click on Image for Transition](#))

Enjoy a virtual view, at two different times, of the gorgeous foothills up to Sky Top, from the top of the gateway tower.



The Testimonial Gateway, a protected local landmark of the Town of New Paltz, served as the entranceway to the Mohonk Mountain House property from 1908 to 1935. The HPC landmark designation is for a 110.5-acre parcel comprised of the gateway, the Pin Oak

Allée, meadows, ornamental ponds, and the Breezy Lawn Barn. (You'll find two other Then and Now looks at the Testimonial Gateway by clicking on the HPC's videos.)

Mohonk Preserve is the owner and steward of this historic property. The Mohonk Preserve is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to protect the Shawangunk Mountains region and promote the care of and education about this area. It has been in the process of a multimillion-dollar makeover and restoration of the Testimonial Gateway and historic property.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The tower interior is not a public space. In addition, the Mohonk Preserve has closed off the preserve trails, carriage trails, and trailheads until further notice due to the COVID-19 pandemic, out of concern for the health and safety of visitors and staff.

As originally planned, the Gateway contained rooms for a gatekeeper and family, and the structure served for a number of years as housing for Mohonk Mountain House employees.

Primary source of historic information:

Local Landmark Designation Report, Town of New Paltz Historic Preservation
Commission – Oct. 15, 2013