



CHATHAM HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Chatham, Massachusetts 02633



Town of Chatham
Historic Business District Commission



2017 Chatham Preservation Awards



671 Orleans Road • The Charles & Almina Young House
Owner: Linda & Brian Miner

The Charles and Almina Young House at 671 Orleans Road is a traditional-style home with gable-end wings. The Young and Crowell families built several homes at the intersection of Orleans and Crowell roads prior to 1850, according to the Massachusetts Historical Commission. Known as “Chatham’s patriot,” family patriarch Hiat Young, from whom Charles is descended, fought in the American Revolution. (A monument to Hiat Young stands in People’s Cemetery.)

The house at 671 Orleans Road was cited in an 1830 MHC reference to the residence.

When purchased in 2013, the three-bedroom main residence had been vacant for a number of years. Structural repairs for water damage revealed the original 9-foot ceilings on the first floor. The new owners made it a priority to preserve and protect the original details while adapting the interior for modern living, including the replacement of full-length 2/2 sash front windows.

A period-style post-and-beam garden shed was also built to match the house. This restored home was renovated to last many years as a reflection of Chatham’s history.

Designer: Linda Miner

Consultant: Michael Buckley, Freedom Maine

Contractor: Fore & Aft, Inc., Harwich, MA