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Mission San Luis Executive Director Makes Magic

~Dr. Bonnie McEwan honored at the 2006 Women Making Magic Awards~

TALLAHASSEE —Dr. Bonnie McEwan, executive director of Mission San Luis, was selected as a winner of the 2006 Women Making Magic Awards in the government category. Dr. McEwan accepted the award during a luncheon on Wednesday, Jan. 25 at the Moon.

In her nomination essay, Deputy Secretary of State JuDee Pettijohn wrote, “Bonnie has dedicated the past 17 years to discovering the secrets of a forgotten period of history and presenting them to the citizens of Tallahassee, Florida and the nation. Because of Bonnie’s tireless service to the people of Florida, they and their children have an unmatched educational resource at Mission San Luis.”

The 2006 Women Making Magic Awards, sponsored by Tallahassee Memorial HealthCare, is held through the national Spirit of Women Awards Program. The Spirit of Women Awards Program was established to recognize ordinary women who accomplish extraordinary things. Winners are selected based on the contributions they make to their communities. Over 250 women have been honored throughout the nation since the program’s start in 1988. All regional winners are eligible for the national Spirit of Women Awards.

Mission San Luis, a National Historic Landmark, is located at 2021 West Mission Road in Tallahassee, Fla. San Luis is the only reconstructed Spanish mission in Florida. Visitors can explore the past through costumed living history, hands-on exhibits and archaeology demonstrations. The site is open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and admission is free. It is managed by the Florida Department of State’s Bureau of Archaeological Research. For more information on Mission San Luis, call (850) 487-3711.

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