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RESTORED ILLINOIS GOVERNOR'S MANSION

After a one-year, top-to-bottom renovation, the circa-1855 Illinois Governor's Mansion in Springfield opened to the public in July. The historic building suffered from severe water intrusion due to poor grading and drainage, which led to wood rot, mold, and crumbling plaster. Additionally, a flood rendered the elevator system inoperable, limiting access to the upper floors. In 2015, Illinois First Lady Diana Rauner and the state's Governor's Mansion Association tapped Vinci Hamp Architects for the \$15 million overhaul, which was funded entirely by private donations. The firm stabilized the roof, repaired plaster, replaced rotted porches, repointed exterior masonry, and replaced an incompatible 1972 cornice with a sheet metal-and-pressed zinc cornice similar to the original. Landscape architects Massie Massie & Associates also revamped the overgrown landscape and corrected the grading. The mansion, which is now ADA compliant, is open for tours that focus on Illinois' history and art.

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