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Niagara Falls cultural staple makes national endangered list

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A Niagara Falls icon which has been closed since 1995 is on the list of "America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places." Located at 25 Rainbow Boulevard and constructed in 1981, "The Turtle" served as a cultural center for the Native American community and was the largest center for Indigenous arts in the Eastern United States.

The National Trust for Historic Preservation assembles the "Endangered List" each year to highlight the "threats facing some of the nation's greatest treasures." The 2025 edition can be found [here](#).

Back in November, James Baptiste, a local architect who is part of the Mohawk Nation, sat down with BTM NPR reporters Ryan Zunner and Alex Simone on "What's Next?", to discuss efforts to save the building.

The full "What's Next?" interview with James Baptiste can be found [here](#).

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