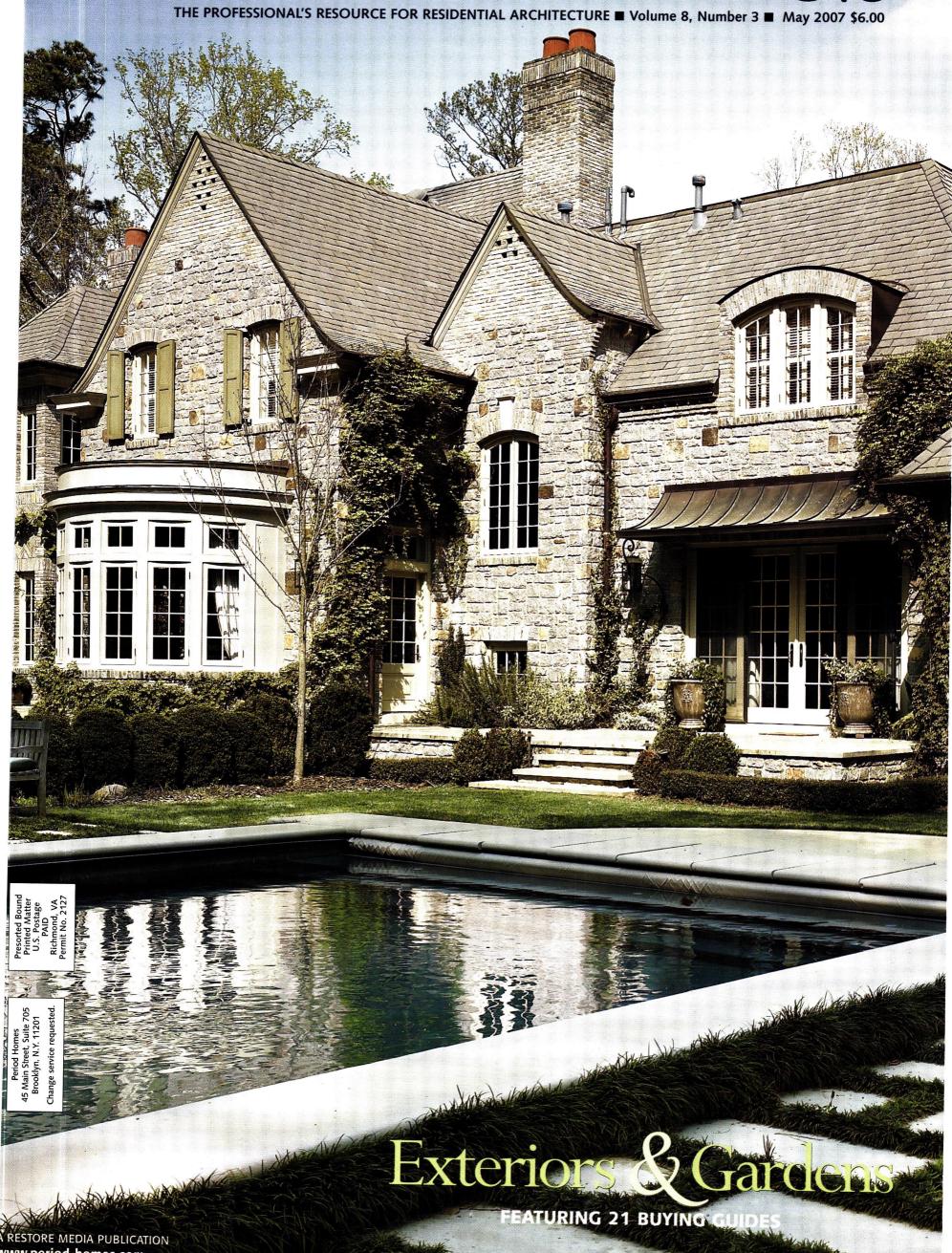
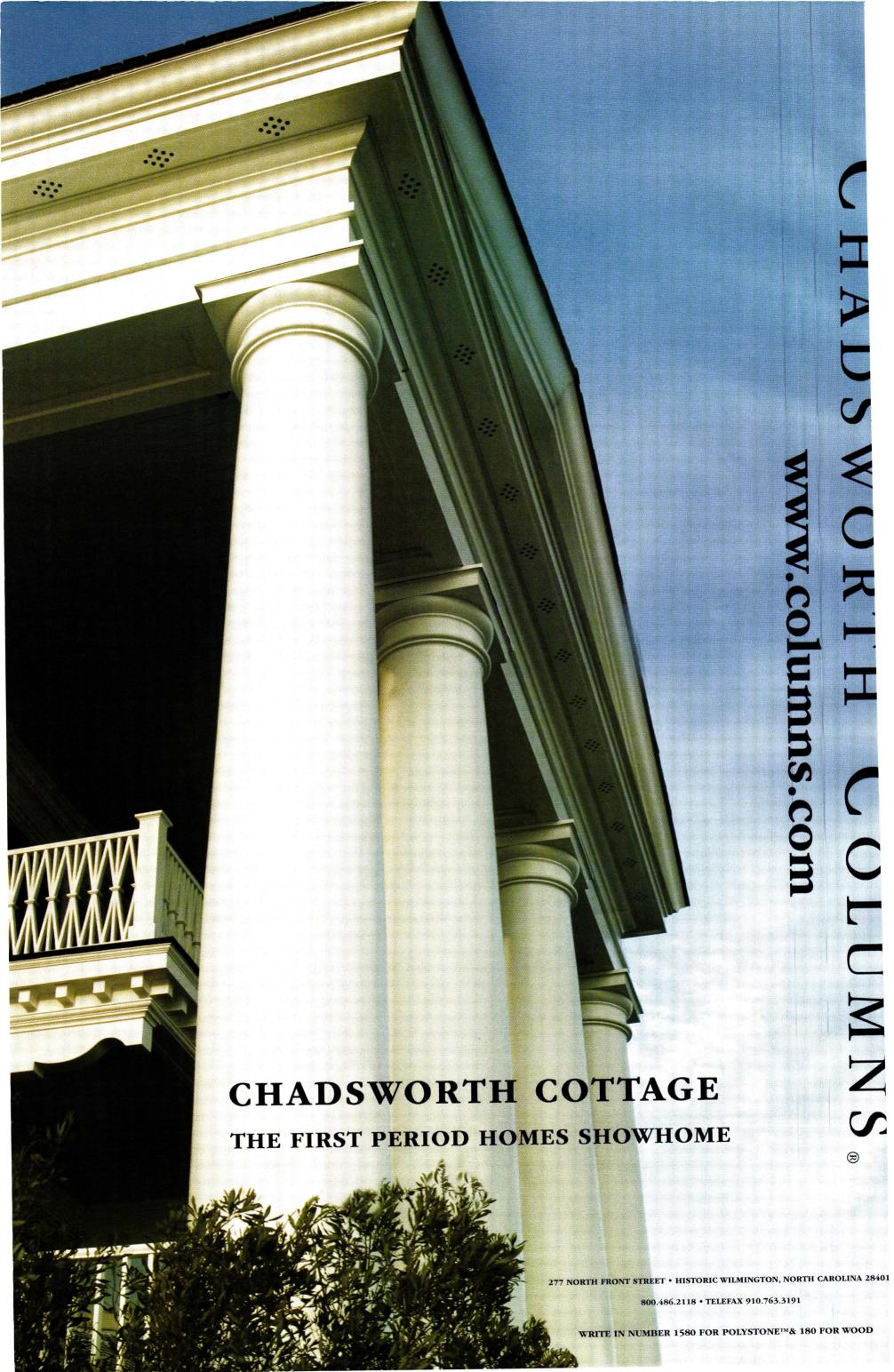
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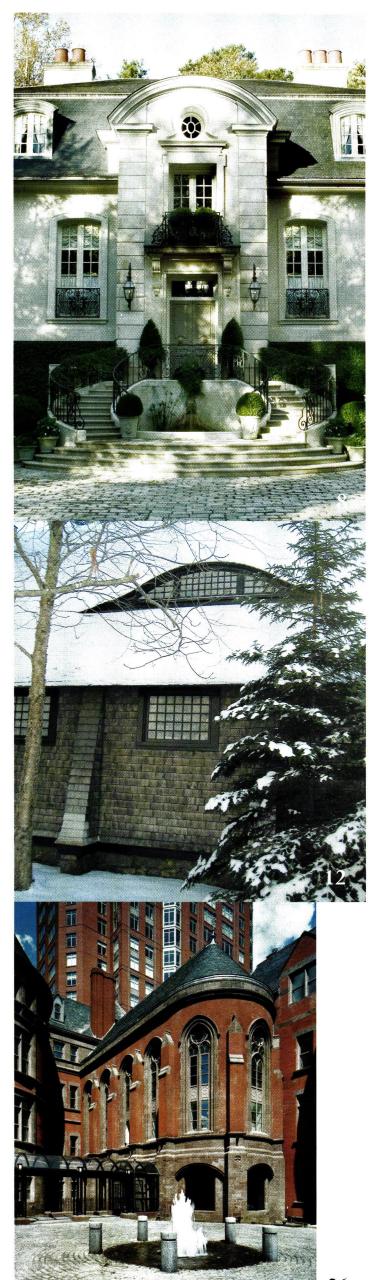
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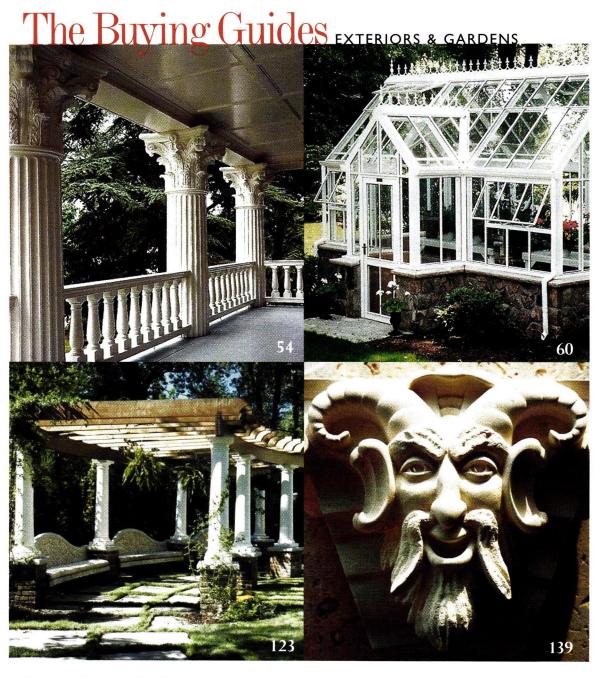
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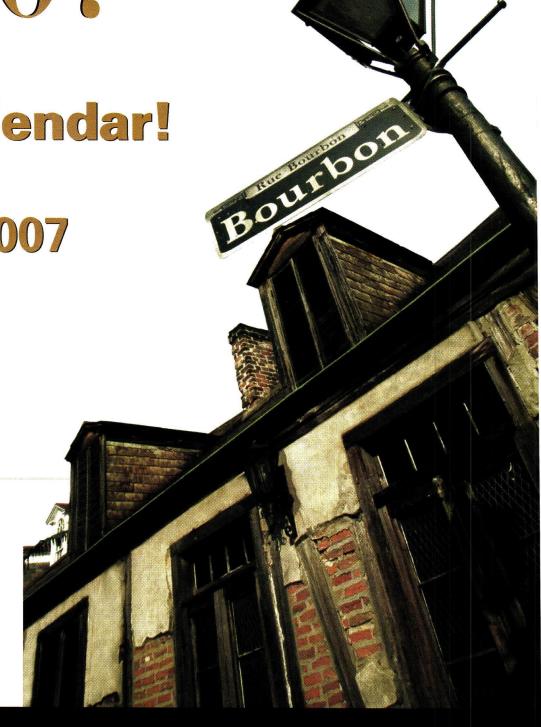




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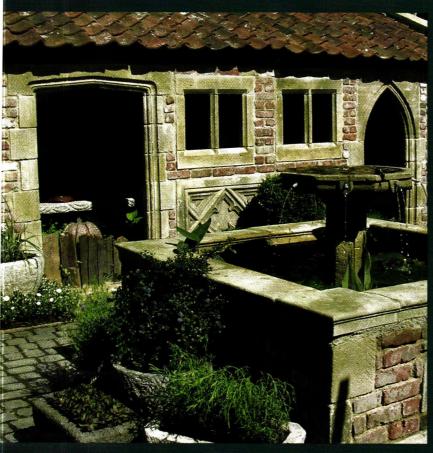
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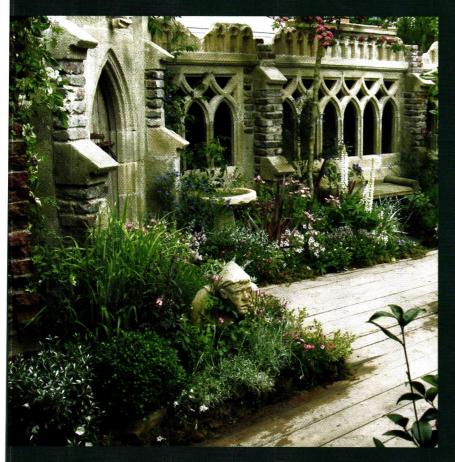
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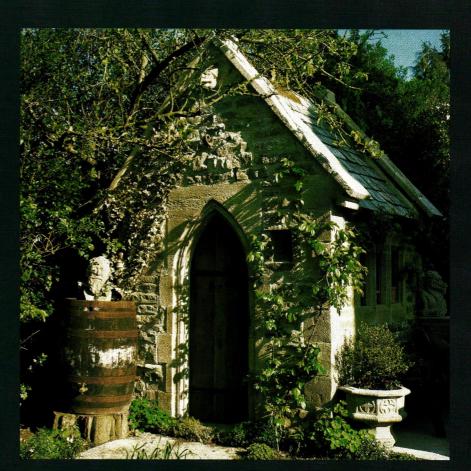


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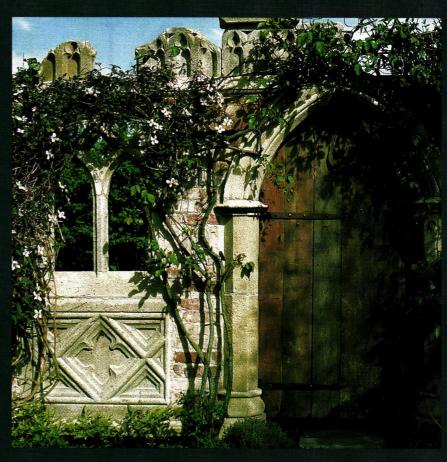


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# The Next Chapter

An Atlanta firm renews the southern Classical tradition. By Will Holloway

n New Classicism: The Rebirth of Traditional Architecture, author and Georgia Tech architecture professor Elizabeth M. Dowling, in discussing the recent renaissance of Classical architecture, writes that, "...in 1989, the systematic teaching of classical design was reintroduced in the architecture program at the University of Notre Dame under the leadership of its new director, Thomas Gordon Smith." Even before the publication of New Classicism, Dowling was espousing the virtues of Notre Dame's program. In the mid-1990s, a recent Georgia Tech graduate with an interest in Classical design was looking to pursue a professional degree and came to Dowling for a recommendation. She advised that student, Charles Heydt, to attend an

upcoming lecture Smith was giving at Atlanta's Carlos Museum. Heydt, who at the time was working in the Atlanta office of Classicist Norman Askins, met Smith and would go on to Notre Dame. He received his master's degree in 1998 and returned to his native Atlanta the same year to join a former colleague from Askins' office, Yong Pak, at Yong Pak & Associates. The firm was renamed Pak Heydt & Associates when Heydt became a partner in 2003.

Such is the process by which the principles of Classical architecture are carried on today. The re-establishment of Classical education, and thus the formal instruction of a generation of New Classicists, has led to firms like Pak Heydt, which perpetuates the Classical tradition throughout the Southeast. In doing so, Pak Heydt is following in the footsteps of Atlanta firms of the early-20th century such as Hentz, Reid and Adler and architects like Philip Shutze and James Means.

### **Classical Training**

At Georgia Tech, Heydt says that Dowling was one of a few professors who talked about traditional and Classical architecture. "Most of the professors wanted you to pursue Modernism or Deconstructivism," he says, "so the key was to figure out which Bernard Tschumi rip-off would get you an A." Early on, Heydt was drawn to the work of Mario Botta and Carlo Scarpa, especially the level of detail in Scarpa's work. Following a summer internship in 1989 at Askins' office — where he would work full-time from 1991 to 1996 — Heydt gravitated toward traditional and Classical design. At Notre Dame, he was influenced by the faculty of Classicists, notably Smith and Duncan Stroik, as well as by spending a

summer in Italy through the school's Rome Studies Program. "Notre Dame was an encouraging and refreshing academic experience," he says. "You didn't have to start every jury answering questions like, 'Why in the world would you replace a perfectly good piloti with a Doric column – with that dead language?' Instead, you're discussing the spacing of alternating arcuated and trabeated systems and how to craft an ornament – the specifics of it were very exciting to me."

Born in Seoul, South Korea, Pak moved to Nova Scotia at a young age and to Miami at age 10, where he was exposed to the Mediterranean Revival architecture of Coral Gables. He attended the University of Florida, earning a Bachelor of Design in Architecture in 1986. "It was a Modernist school, but we had an Italian professor named Francesco Cappellari who set up the Vicenza Institute of Architecture program," says Pak. "I spent six months there — we studied Palladio and



Since 1998, partners Charles Heydt (left) and Yong Pak of Atlanta, GA-based Pak Heydt & Associates have collaborated on a variety of Classically styled designs in the Atlanta area, including a 2005 Georgian house (top) in the community of Buckhead that was inspired by the early designs of the Tidewater region of Virginia. Photo: Frank Mullen/Matteblack; Top photo: Jeff Herr

A 6,000-sq.ft. High Georgian design in Buckhead, realized in handmade wood-molded brick, features two wings that create a private rear courtyard (top), which is overlooked by the drawing room (below). *Photos: Jeff Herr* 

Scarpa, and that really opened my eyes to what Classical architecture did in a broader social sense. Part of my fascination was how the Classical vocabulary has been passed on through the centuries — it was about learning the historical background and the Classical vocabulary. We had a couple of projects that were in the context of Vicenza; you were encouraged to do either Modern or Classical interpretations of adaptive infill. So when I got back to Florida for my last year, I tried to incorporate some of that and I had a couple of professors who weren't too offended."

After graduation, Pak joined Askins' office. "There were only three people in his office, so I really got immersed in Classical architecture right off the bat," he says. "One of the big things for me is that I was in contact with clients early on, did job-site visits and learned the practicality of putting buildings together. I think when you're starting off there are very few chances where you get that much responsibility, especially in larger firms, where you usually get pigeonholed." Pak spent 10 years at Askins' office, the last six as the firm's vice president. He established Yong Pak & Associates in 1997. "I saw a big trend in our clients - with the change in the estate law where our older clients were transferring wealth to their kids," he says. "Also, the internet boom was kicking in - I thought it was a good time to start on my own."

When Heydt was working in Askins' office for the summer after his first year at Notre Dame, Askins and Pak were competing for a commission in Atlanta. Pak ended up with the

job; when Heydt started with Yong Pak & Associates a year later, the firm was in the midst of building that project - a 6,000-sq.ft. High Georgian home in the heart of the Atlanta community of Buckhead.

### **Formal Designs**

Since 1997, the firm now known as Pak Heydt & Associates has completed some 250 Classically and traditionally styled new construction and renovation projects, mostly in the Atlanta area; the majority have been in the northern community of Buckhead, which Pak says is probably the largest high-end residential district in the country.

"Atlanta is a great place to live, but a terrible place to visit, because it really doesn't have a core," he says. "It's a bunch of small towns that became linked together as the city expanded. It's fragmented because it was a very segregated city to begin with, and it's still self-segregated. It keeps growing in all directions, because there are no natural barriers. Buckhead has been our primary market — there is enough land and houses in that district to keep several firms busy for a long time."

Completed in 2000, the High Georgian home features handmade wood-molded brick in a Flemish-bond pattern, a hand-carved limestone entry, a mahogany-paneled library and a hand-tooled wood staircase. Its materials reflect a central tenet of Pak Heydt's design philosophy: the importance of time-tested materials. "When you build Classical architecture, the quality



The formal front façade of the High Georgian home includes an intricately detailed, hand-carved limestone portico. Photo: Jeff Herr





of the materials is crucial," says Pak. "We try to give clients advice on material selection from a long-term standpoint. A lot of new homes have to be restored five or six years after they are built — they just don't hold up — but there are historical homes that have been around for 300 to 400 years without a whole lot of maintenance, and I think we can learn from that."

The plan — a garage wing and a master-bedroom wing forming a U-shape — creates a rear courtyard space. "It's more of a European than an American concept because land in America has never been as issue, but we use the courtyard to create more intimate spaces and to put less pressure on the house to have bigger rooms," says Pak. "We've been designing a lot of different versions of the courtyard home, especially for in-town lots, because creating privacy is so important."

While the High Georgian looked more to English precedents, another formal design in Buckhead drew from the American vocabulary, especially the Georgian houses of the Tidewater region of Virginia. Completed in 2005, the 8,000-sq.ft. design satisfied the client's desire for dignified symmetry. Its materials include hand-made brick, Georgia granite, a slate roof and flooring milled from heart-pine barn beams. Like the High Georgian, two wings spread out to form a rear courtyard. The courtyard of a Highstyle French design on a smaller lot in Buckhead allows the owners to entertain on various scales — 250 guests can flow freely between interior and exterior spaces.

As with all new designs that wed Classical formality with more informal contemporary lifestyles, the challenge of unifying plan and program arises. "I think it's a matter of adapting the plan to give new forms to the Classical vocabulary — to make it relevant in today's society," says Pak. "In the Classical architecture of the 1920s, you lived in the front parlor rooms and you were served. The way we live today, we pass through the front parlor rooms — the formal rooms — and live in the back part of the house."

Heydt notes that the firm attempts to keep plans as efficient as possible. "We do have some clients who are still served, but most of them are not, so the intermediate hall that the servants would travel is unnecessary," he says. "If you put it into a scheme today, it takes the client out of experiencing the rooms that contain their best furnishings, artwork and family photographs. In some cases, we've convinced the client to take out the hall, so they move from the entry and through the living room to get to the library. We're really happy with that because it works very well with the way people live — a lot of people think they have to have a hall in order to be efficient in getting from their garage to their bedroom, but it's not necessarily true."

"Some of our homes don't have living rooms," says Pak. "Knowing the family is going to live in the family room, we take the obligatory living room and create a library so we can use another room type with the interior architecture. And a lot of our projects are renovations of 1920s



The firm's design of a formal house in Buckhead drew on French precedents; it has 14-ft. ceilings and a large rear courtyard that creates privacy and accommodates large numbers of guests when the owners entertain.

Photo: Erica Dines

homes, where the typical addition is the kitchen/breakfast nook/family room with a master-bedroom suite above, which attaches the function of the way people live to an old home. That's one of the great things about Classical architecture - it's very adaptable. It can change with the way people live."

### **Vernacular Interpretations**

In several less formal designs, Pak Heydt has drawn on and reinterpreted the vernacular languages of England and France. A 10,000-sq.ft. design in West Buckhead, completed in 2003, began in schematic design as a wood-frame Tudor but morphed into an Edwardian-inspired masonry manor as the owner's taste became clear. "In a meeting with the owner and the interior decorator, the owner confessed that she really didn't like the combination of timber and brick of the Tudor style," says Heydt. "We started talking about the bold forms of early-Renaissance Italian architecture and also about Edwin Lutyens — so we came up with an Edwardian massing with more Classical detailing in the interior." As a result, the one-room deep design features Lutyens-inspired rusticated limestone entry arches, French limestone flooring and a walnut-paneled library.

For a young family with 18 acres, the firm combined English Tudor traditions with the Cotswold vernacular — emphasized by the yellow tint of home's Texas cream limestone façade. The 18-in.-deep walls are topped with a reclaimed English-tile roof and the Gothic front entry was carved in limestone. While in this case the high-quality material palette is continued in the interior with reclaimed English-oak paneling and an antique French-oak library, Pak stresses the importance of prioritizing. "With people putting so much money into homes," he says, "we try to emphasize getting the structure and bones of the house right first, and then we can concentrate on the interior millwork. It really starts with a great roofs, exterior materials, windows and doors — I think it's that simple. How you detail is another thing."

In 2001, Pak Heydt designed an 8,000-sq.ft. Normandy-inspired manor on a lot adjacent to the Tidewater-inspired Georgian. The shallow, asymmetrical plan, realized in Indiana limestone, is anchored on one end by a tower and on the other by a porte-cochere. Materials include a slate

A 10,000-sq.ft. manor in West Buckhead that drew on Edwardian precedents features Lutyens-inspired limestone entry arches (above); its one-room-deep plan allows abundant natural light into all rooms (right). Photos: Erica Dines

roof, custom mahogany windows and doors throughout and hand-hewn antique beams and reclaimed French-tile floors in the interior. The custom work that goes into such a project exhibits the symbiotic relationship between the traditional trades and Classical architecture. "One of the great things about Classical architecture in the South is that it has really revived the trades – from carpenters to carvers to stair makers to ironmongers," says Pak. "I feel very fortunate that we have these craftspeople; we can draw all day long, but if it's not executed right it doesn't matter. It's really a collaborative effort – we're the eyes, and they become our hands. That's the relationship that architects and tradespeople have had with really good Classical architecture."

#### **Classical Bones**

Much of Pak Heydt's work involves the renovation of Atlanta's rich Classical tradition. In Druid Hills, a community a few miles northeast of downtown, a family room, kitchen, master-bedroom suite and a Charleston-style side-porch added 2,000 sq.ft. to an existing 3,000-sq.ft. Georgian. In nearby Ansley Park, one of Atlanta's oldest neighborhoods, the firm remodeled and expanded a 1940s brick bungalow. "In the 1960s, a lot of the old houses in Ansley Park became boarding houses," says Pak. "In this case, the house had been renovated five or six times. The client has a really

wonderful photograph collection and wanted transitional Classical architecture with a little bit more of a modern touch. It was a process of converting a very nondescript home so that it had a little bit of character — this would not be unlike a pre-war apartment in New York City that had been stripped down many times, where you would be trying to make it feel contemporary, but with Classical bones."

While the firm's focus is primarily custom residential projects, Heydt notes that it is important to think about architecture in terms of the collective communities and urban spaces being created. "One of the great opportunities for Classical architecture and traditional urbanism," he says, "occurs when individual buildings – playing by the same rules and using similar and complementary materials, are built with a focus on the community. These are the places that people cherish." Such thinking has led to the



small but growing non-single-residence component of the firm's work. In Buckhead, a Pak Heydt-designed townhouse development known as Regents Park is currently under construction. The four-story design, with wood-molded brick and cast-stone and wrought-iron details, was inspired by London's Regency architecture. With the density of Atlanta increasing, the townhouse type could very well play a larger role in the city's future. "With Regents Park, we looked to more of a European program, burying the parking underneath so that houses are accessed at street level," says Pak. "This is our attempt to create a different, more pedestrian-friendly housing type versus the high rises that are going up now."

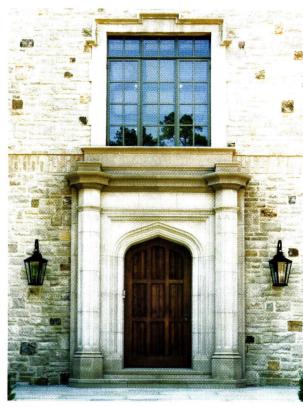
In collaboration with New York, NY-based Cooper, Robertson & Partners, Miami, FLbased PlaceMakers and many of the architects affiliated with the Miami-based New Urban Guild, Pak Heydt is also working on designs for Laurel Island, a New Urbanist development in the coastal region of southeast Georgia. As with all the firm's work, being true to history was paramount in the development of Laurel Island. "The community's design is influenced by regional Low Country architecture, but we are also looking at the cultural history of the place," says Heydt. "The land's colonial history went back and forth – the Spanish and English occupied it at different times and then the English finally held on to it. Drawing from some of that history, we struck on the idea of creating an English fishing village. There are actually two different villages in the scheme – one on the east side that is serene and picturesque with a very limited material palette and a singular vernacular. On the west side, the second village, flanking a canal harbor, will be a little bit more sophisticated and will have a broader range of style and materials."

While still in the land-planning stage and several years from completion, Laurel Island, like the many New Urbanist projects that have sprung up over the last 25 years, illustrates just how applicable Classical design principles are to the creation of communities. In applying those principles — from the vernacular structures of Laurel Island to the Classical residences of Buckhead and the greater Southeast — Pak Heydt represents the next chapter in the rich Classical tradition. The firm may only be 10 years old, but its work is timeless. ■



An 8,000-sq.ft. house that drew on the vernacular traditions of Normandy features a two-story library finished in reclaimed French oak. *Photo: left Herr* 

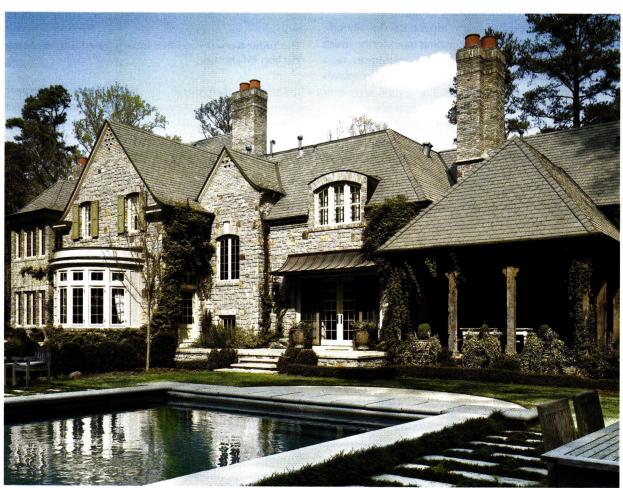




An English Country house design features Gothic archways throughout and reclaimed English oak interior paneling (left). The yellow tint of the Cotswold-inspired stonework was achieved with Texas cream limestone (right). Left photo: Brie Williams; Right photo: Jeff Herr & Erica Dines



The expansion of a 3,000-sq.ft., 1920s Georgian home in the North Druid Hills included the addition of a kitchen and family room. Photo: Jeff Herr



A Norman-inspired house, an asymmetrical design on a lot in Buckhead adjacent to the firm's Tidewater-inspired Georgian, was built in Indiana limestone and has a slate roof and custom mahogany doors and windows.

### Shingle Style Maine

Many early examples of the Shingle Style are located in and around Mt. Desert Island, ME. By Dan Cooper

y the early 1880s, a sea change in New England architecture had occurred. Catalyzed by the American Centennial, leading architects eschewed the by then well-worn European motifs of the Greek Revival, Second Empire and Italianate and gave a lingering glance backwards to the first decades of Colonial America.

During this time, these architects drew inspiration from the distinctive materials and forms of 17th-century homes that still remained from the Massachusetts Bay Colony, also known as "The Old Colony." Based upon English designs brought over by the passengers of the Mayflower and subsequent ships, these new buildings emulated the originals' broad, overhanging gables, diminutive, diamond-paned windows and hand-spilt shingle siding. This was the first architectural foray into what was to become the Colonial Revival, and it coincided with the beginning of the historic preservation movement in this country, as a growing number of voices called out to save the ever-dwindling number of Pilgrim Century structures.

In 1955, Yale professor Vincent Scully anointed these 1880-90s buildings with the sobriquet "Shingle Style" and proclaimed a Boston architect named William Ralph Emerson, who lived from 1833-1917, as the style's originator. Before the late 1870s, Emerson's work was higher-caliber commissions in the Boston area. His 1879 breakthrough house, "Redwood," located in Bar Harbor, ME, executed, as Roger G. Reed's A Delight to All Who Know It, puts it, "the act that the exterior is fully shingled from roof to just above grade level. For this reason, the architect is credited for 'inventing' the Shingle Style." Reed goes on to point out that the concept of sheathing the entire structure with shakes was hardly a oneoff for Emerson; he produced a profusion of designs in this manner throughout the 1880s, revealing innovations and concepts that we think of as commonplace today.

The revolutionary aspect of the Shingle Style was much greater than its exterior finish materials; it introduced an organicism to a building's overall structure and an emphasis

on its horizontal planes. These new-style homes melded into their physical surroundings, and, instead of being palaces imposed upon plains, they embraced the sites upon which they were built, creating a much softer transition from natural to built environment. Roof lines varied greatly in pitch and angle, and axis of additional wings and porches could be anything



The Tudor Revival was often incorporated into the Shingle Style, as evidenced by the gable on this Southeast Harbor, ME, house.

but 90 degrees: the precise symmetry and formality of Classicism experienced a wholesale rejection. In sum, the Shingle Style was as conscious of its location as it was of the structure itself.

The Shingle Style also ushered in radical change in the layout of interiors as well. Suddenly, the time-honored symmetrical arrangement of

rooms on either side of a central hall was replaced with an almost random and irregular floor plan. Inglenooks, corner fireplaces and staggered flights of stairs concealed with spindled screens created a cozy and informal atmosphere, even in the grandest of homes. This modern approach to interiors was the product of Charles Locke Eastlake and the English Medieval revival coupled with the asymmetry fueled by the Japan craze of the late 1870s and 1880s, again rejecting the tenets of Classical design.

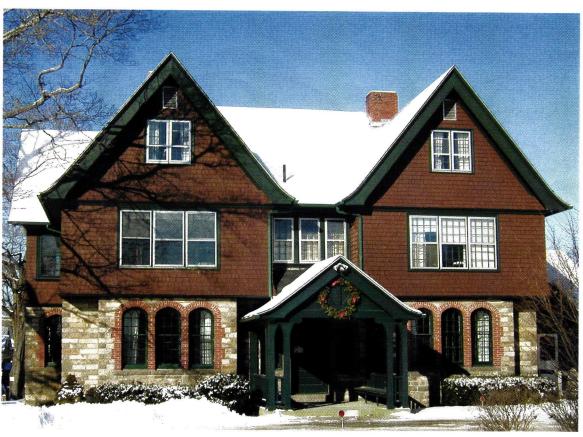


Much of Emerson's work has not survived; one of his grander works, Mossley Hall, is a sprawling summer estate. Note the carriage pass-through and the integration of the porches inside the footprint of the house. While massive, the structure still blends the built and natural environments. Photo: Maine Historic Preservation Commission



Above: St. Savior's Church in Bar Harbor, ME, is a case study of the Gothic roots of the Shingle style. The massing of the gable and its rose window bear many of the hallmarks of both styles.

Right: St. Savior's Rectory reveals its Gothic influences through its first-story windows. It seamlessly transitions into the flared vergeboards of the Shingle Style.



Emerson, at the forefront of this radically new style, created a large number of summer "cottages" for the wealthy. Many were located on and around Mount Desert Island, ME, and, more precisely, in the prestigious towns of Bar Harbor and Northeast Harbor. Geographically, the island's rocky, undulating coastline lent itself perfectly to houses nestled in amongst the pines and boulders.

Emerson's grandest Bar Harbor commissions, Mossley Hall and Beau Desert, reveal a rugged, flinty interpretation of the style, an acknowledgement that even in the warmth of mid-summer, the cold blasts of winter were just around the next harbor. While these buildings sprawl and sport multifaceted gables and playful ornament, one is struck that there is still an awareness of their northern latitude. Many times, porches and piazzas are "inside" the footprint of the main structure, which is the antithesis of the open porches of warmer climes and their desire for constant crossventilation. They are hardly modest dwellings; Beau Desert had 12 separate methods of egress on the first floor, and both homes possessed large wings that were connected to the main structure by long carriage pass-throughs topped with second-story passageways. They were, like many of Emerson's finer works, solid in feel, no matter how fanciful their trim or roofline.

The ecclesiastical structures of Mt. Desert, both by Emerson and others, offer some of the more unique details of the Shingle Style indigenous to the island. The humble St. Jude's Chapel in Seal Harbor reveals Emerson's exquisite attention to detail; the graceful eyebrow window serves in lieu of a lunette and the shingled buttresses blend seamlessly while performing their necessary function. The tiny squared panes on all the fenestration show a fine attention to detail and nod to the smaller window sizes of the Colonial era while adding a modern (for the period) rendering.

A larger chapel in Northeast Harbor boldly embraces Medievalism; its gray slate roof glints armor-like, and its hip roof is transformed into a deeply hooded semicircular helmet supported by a profusion of corbels and tiny diamond-pane windows. The entire building is supported by a rough-hewn brownstone foundation that forms a Romanesque entry arch. While one seldom hears the word "imposing" used in conjunction with "chapel," the structure at first glance might be mistaken for an armory if it weren't for its scenic location amongst the white pines.

In Bar Harbor center, Saint Savior's Church and Rectory pay tribute to Gothicism, as the pointed brick arches of the rectory's windows and ashlar walls of its first story support the second and third, which are sheltered with the ubiquitous flared vergeboards of the Shingle Style. It is the church proper where the Gothic influence is integral to the design of the structure; the gable end of the main sanctuary is a case study in the geometry and motifs of things Gothic: the lines of the gable form an equilateral triangle, and the round rose window is framed with a paneled and timbered Gothic arch. The entire roof massing is supported by regularly spaced rough-hewn stone buttresses that enable a soaring roof-line while remaining thoroughly grounded. The tower at the far end is shingled with small, fortress-like windows derived from some winding cathedral stairwell.

Many other large homes throughout the area repeat the themes of the Mt. Desert Shingle Style. The Abbe Museum, now home to a Native American Heritage museum, provides a direct link between the architecture of the 1640s and the 1880s. Its huge front-facing gable and proportionally small arrays of diamond panes are simply an updating of houses built near Boston centuries ago. As the Shingle Style became more commonplace and interpreted by lesser hands, the resultant buildings are

### Identifying the Shingle Style

### Some of the defining characteristics of the Shingle Style are:

- Shingles wrapping continuously around the structure without corner trim.
- Flared courses of shingles delineating stories.
- Irregular rooflines with multiple gables and turrets.
- Deeply overhanging gables, often with heavy vergeboards and exposed rafter ends.
- · An asymmetrical floor plan.
- Diamond-paned or small multiplelite windows that seem proportionally small.
- The ubiquitous eyebrow window instead of a dormer.
- Tudor, Gothic or Colonial Revival influences.



As Neoclassicism gained in popularity in 1890s, the Shingle Style was melded to it. Palladian and Adam windows, along with Doric columns, merged with shingled gambrels.



This Bar Harbor tower reveals how architects working in the Shingle Style approached structural elements and adapted them to the new style.

interchangeable with those in any of the more affluent streetcar suburbs of northeastern urban areas.

Many of the finest examples in Bar Harbor are no longer with us; the Depression forced many summer estates into disrepair or demolition for tax reasons, and worse, in 1947, a sweeping wildfire that lasted 10 days devastated the island, destroying 170 homes, including 64 on Millionaire's Row, along with five historic hotels. Today, many of the remaining houses are best viewed by watercraft, slinking from inlet to inlet, as choice real estate locations are oriented toward water views, and thus are concealed from the street by winding drives.

To better understand the distinctiveness of the Mt. Desert aesthetic, it serves to contrast it with the more well-known buildings in Newport, RI,



Nannau is one of the finer existent homes in Bar Harbor. It shows the purity of the Shingle Style with its fenestration and broad shingled façade.

which is erroneously thought to be the cradle of the style. Some might say that the examples there lack a purity of style due to not only the topography, but affluence as well.

Unlike the craggy Mt. Desert coastline, Bellevue Avenue in Newport is a straight, level boulevard that thrusts its architecture directly to the forefront, and although the Cliff Walk possesses its share of undulations and promontories, the landscape does not allow for the same sort of nestling found to the north; structures in Newport are invariably sited for their benefit, and the land concedes to them; on Mt. Desert, they frequently hunker down, joining the cascading boulders on their way to the sea.

Newport clients gave stellar firms like McKim, Mead and White free reign, but the affluence therein and its attendant peer pressure to display wealth more often than not yielded an exuberant level of ornamentation. While the more notable Shingle Style homes of Newport such as Ochre Point and the William Watts Sherman House stand as iconic masterworks, their detailing, massing and locations lack the organicism of the Mt. Desert aesthetic; as brilliant as they are (and their im-portance in the pantheon of American architecture is indisputable), they are guilty of the architectural equivalent of keeping up with the Vanderbilts. Newport added that extra layer of detail and embellishment that elevated these homes to a glittering level that would seem ostentatious on a rocky cliff in Maine, committing the Down East variant of putting on airs. Even the Isaac Bell House with its bam-

boo porch columns has a nuance and delicacy that appears contrary to Emerson's solid and robust forms.

As the 1890s approached, the Shingle Style could no longer ignore the American infatuation with Classicism. Where there once would have been shingled arches supporting a porch roof, columns with simple capitals appeared, and as the Colonial Revival swept the land, its hallmarks, such as Adamesque windows, entablatures and dentil moldings, found company with the graying cedar shakes.

One of Emerson's later and most spectacularly sited works, Felsted, was built in 1896 in Deer Isle, ME, as the family cottage of renowned landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted, Jr. Feldsted displays some of this evolution towards the Neoclassicism of the later Colonial Revival.





Above: Some of the distinctive design motifs of the Shingle Style are its compact fenestration and concealment of structural elements such as corbels and buttresses. This Bar Harbor home features these, along with a distinctive arched, shingled gable.

Left: This West Street home in Bar Harbor is one the summer homes that survived the devastating fire of 1947. While large and detailed, its solid form acknowledges the cool climate of eastern Maine.



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### Shingle Style buildings on Mount Desert Island, ME

IN BAR HARBOR, there are a good number of public and private buildings that may be easily seen simply by walking around downtown. The best roads are Mt. Desert Street and West Street. Here you'll find St. Savior's Episcopal Church, the Abbe Museum and many houses.

Between Bar Harbor and Northeast Harbor is St. Jude's Church on Peabody Drive in Seal Harbor.

Northeast Harbor has an abundance of homes, but many are tucked down long drives and are best visible from the water. Wandering around side and main roads will provide glimpses of fine examples.



This Northeast Harbor, ME, home, designed by Fred L. Savage, features a unique approach to an exterior staircase. The ascending shingled arches, supported by a grander, flying arch merge brilliantly with the porch.

The shingled arches are replaced by wood corbels and the porches are garnished with long, open spindled rails and balusters. More notably, the house, built into the side of a hill on the shore, has a full-story foundation that is constructed of the same stone, making it appear as if built on a outcropping.

The Shingle Style also appeared in most other seaside resort areas, from eastern Maine through Newport and onto the tip of Long Island, at Montauk. One iconic example of the style, executed by Peabody and Stearns, is Kragsyde. Built in 1882 in Manchester-by-the-Sea, MA, it is a fanciful, complex structure that drew inspiration from storybook castles as much as 1640s Colonial America. Kragsyde's spectacular Romanesque arch over the drive and whimsical minarets accentuated the romantic and quaint aspects of many a Shingle house, and is much in keeping with Emerson's work.

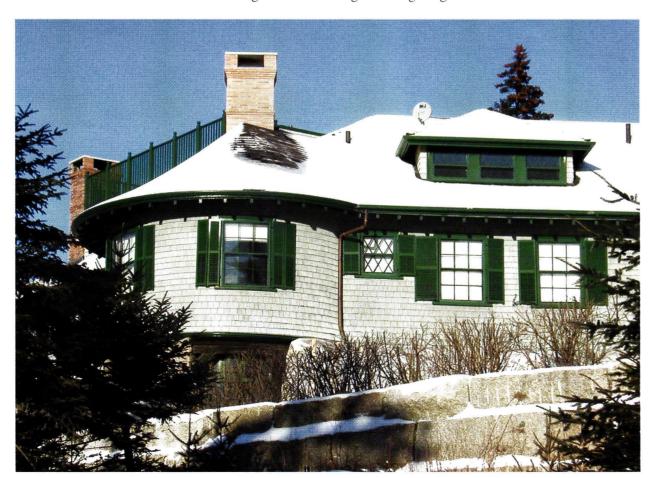
On a more innovative bent, McKim, Mead and White's 1887 Low House in Bristol, RI, was essentially a large, shallow-pitched roof. As Richard Guy Wilson writes: "In the Low house, McKim gathered all the elements of the house and submerged them under a great triangular gable



St. Jude's Chapel in Seal Harbor, ME, displays Emerson's deft touch with adapting the Shingle Style to ecclesiastical forms. The eyebrow window serves as a lunette and the shingled buttress supports the structure in a graceful manner.

or pediment. The roof was the house. Slight eruptions occurred with the twi bulging bays on the bay side, and the deep penetration of the porch but overall th predetermined form was paramount." The Low House is strikingly contemporary and presages the reinterpretation of the Shingle Style in the latter 20th century.

Like Newport, Mt. Desert Island was a playground for the rich and famous in the late-19th century, with the likes of the Rockefellers and their peers summer ing there. Maine is not Newport; despite the wealth, things do not glitter there in the same manner, more mindful of their place between land and sea. While some may argue that the most important examples lie to the south, it is in Bar Harbo and Northeast Harbor where the spirit of the Shingle Style is to be found.





Above: This Northeast Harbor chapel has a distinctive semi-circular hip roof. The rugged massing and brownstone foundation make it one of the more stylish examples to be found on the island.

Left: Emerson's interpretation of the Shingle Style often sited structures to become an integral part of their environment. This Northeast Harbor home is nestled securely amongst the rocks and pines of the waterfront.

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## Wright Reconstructed

An ongoing restoration has re-created many exterior elements of the Frank Lloyd Wright-designed Martin House in Buffalo, NY.

**PROJECT:** PERGOLA, CONSERVATORY AND CARRIAGE HOUSE AT DARWIN D. MARTIN HOUSE COMPLEX, BUFFALO, NY

**ARCHITECT:** Hamilton Houston Lownie Architects, LLC, Buffalo, NY; Ted Lownie, principal

Engineers: Robert Silman Associates, New York, NY; Landmark Facilities Group, Norwalk, CT; Watts Engineers, Buffalo, NY

CONSTRUCTION MANAGER: LPCIMINELLI, BUFFALO, NY

n an eight-decade nonstop career, Frank Lloyd Wright finished more than 400 buildings and started a dozen more. And since his death in 1959, fans have realized 15 other Wright plans, including a scattering of houses plus the Marin County Civic Center. But only once, so far, has a demolished Wright structure come back to life at its original spot: in the backyard of the Darwin D. Martin House in Buffalo, NY.

Martin was a bookish, workaholic executive at the Larkin Soap Co., a self-made millionaire, and Wright's most steadfast customer. In 1902, before Wright had completed much of anything larger than houses, Martin wangled a plum job for the Wisconsin-based master: designing Larkin's headquarters, an atrium-centered monolith (which was tragically razed in 1950). Martin also commissioned from Wright three Buffaloarea homes for his family. The soap executive stood by the architect through adultery scandals and financial downturns. At times, Martin kept Taliesin afloat, but was never repaid for lifetime loans totaling \$70,000.

Wright rewarded Martin instead with over-budget, experimental architecture, especially at the family's main house in Parkside, a Buffalo suburb planned by Frederick Law Olmsted. Steel I-beams support tile-roofed cantilevers over Roman brick walls. In the free-flowing 10,000-sq.ft. interior, brick piers and zigzagging dropped frieze rails create intimate yet airy spaces, illuminated by art glass in abstracted tree or wisteria patterns. The architect bisected the 1.5-acre lot with a 100-ft.-long pergola leading to a conservatory. Pagoda-like limestone birdhouses — meant to accommodate,



Roman bricks on a newly recreated pergola (right) match the existing cladding (left). Photo: courtesy of the Martin House Restoration Corporation

of course, purple martins – cap the roof. The complex, writes curator Jack Quinan, is unique among Wright's early Prairie masterpieces "in the elegance of its detailing, in its pavilion-like spatial freedom, and in the unusual coherence and equipoise of its plan."

Darwin died nearly bankrupt in 1935, and his wife Isabelle moved out a few years later, so broke and disconsolate that she didn't lock the door behind her. An architect named Sebastian Tauriello took over the abandoned property in 1955 — "please take care of the opus," Wright magnanimously wrote the new owner. Tauriello stabilized the place, but funded the work by selling off the backyard. The conservatory and pergola and an adjacent carriage house were bulldozed, and in their stead arose three stubby brick apartment houses.

For the last two decades, however, the Martin House has been rebounding. Phase after phase, a Buffalo-based nonprofit called the Martin House Restoration Corporation has been reviving the site's 1907 appearance. Last October, a restoration team led by Hamilton Houston Lownie

Architects (HHL) unveiled reproductions of the yard's three lost structures. "We'd been looking at photos and thinking about those buildings for so many years," says HHL partner Ted Lownie. "The conservatory is a wonderfully proportioned miniature cathedral, like Sainte Chapelle in Paris, and a dramatic finale to the very rhythmic walk of the pergola. It's astonishing to finally set foot inside the real thing."

HHL has been taking on Martin House commissions since 1992, making every decision with the kind of patient forethought that the meticulous Darwin Martin would have admired. Martin corresponded almost daily with Wright; Quinan describes Martin as "insecure, exacting, and drawn moth-like to Wright's flame." As the original construction budget soared from \$35,000 to \$175,000, the client requested ever more specs, so that "I may have an inclination of what I am getting into." Wright called him "my best friend, and most helpful one," and sent assurances that the completed house, in a neighborhood of tame Queen Annes, Tudors and Georgians, would leave observers "pleasantly shocked." The architect and client, observes Lesley

Neufeld, the museum's project coordinator, "seem to have had a jolly old time disagreeing with each other."

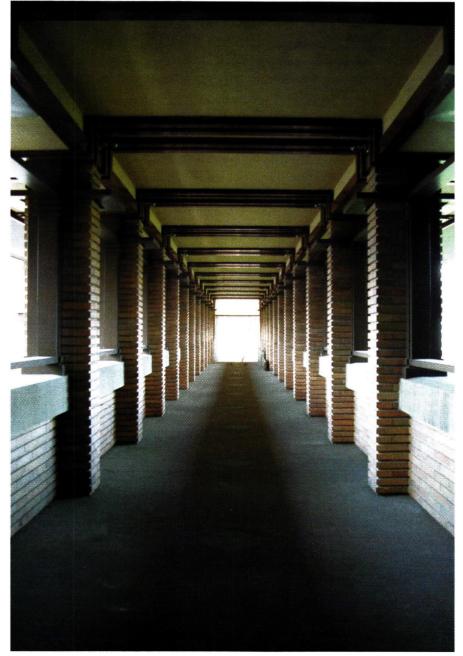
The only person who minded the results was Darwin's wife Isabelle. Her vision had been damaged by eye ulcers, and the house, she complained, "discourages me and gives me the blues." In 1927, Wright built a lakefront country estate for her called Graycliff, where no overhanging eaves or art glass block the sun. At her city place, she was happiest outdoors along the wisteria-draped pergola, or in the conservatory, where a statue of Nike symbolized Darwin's professional successes and contented family life. That sense of triumph, and the vaunted Wrightian connectedness of interior and outdoors, vanished when the rear wings were chopped off in the 1960s.

To replicate the demolished appendages, the HHL team scoured archives for details of claddings and dimensions. Measurements for the conservatory and one pergola bay did turn up, along with schematic numbers and cypress-casework drawings for the carriage house. During excavations, the conservatory's stone foundations emerged (they could



Wright designed a pair of pagoda-like limestone birdhouses for the conservatory roof; in tribute to the Martin family, they were intended to house purple martins.

Photo: courtesy of the Martin House Restoration Corporation



Oak beams and brick piers march rhythmically down the pergola. Photo: courtesy of the Martin House Restoration Corporation



### Mature Growth

An early-19th-century Maryland residence is restored and expanded.

PROJECT: RESIDENCE, BALTIMORE COUNTY, MD

ARCHITECT: JOHN MILNER ARCHITECTS, INC., CHADDS FORD, PA; JOHN MILNER, PRINCIPAL; AMY SCANLON, PROJECT ARCHITECT; EDWARD WHEELER, PROJECT ARCHITECT

CONTRACTOR: MATT SLATER, LUTHERVILLE, MD

hen restoring and expanding old buildings, there are generally two schools of thought; one says that modern needs should trump the intentions of the original design, while the other says that historic precedent should not be swept aside. John Milner, FAIA, of John Milner Architects, Inc., is firmly allied with the latter and, with almost 40 years of experience in the analysis of historic buildings, identifies "historic precedent" with precision. As an adjunct professor in the University of Pennsylvania's graduate program in Historic Preservation, Milner instructs his students on the techniques for identifying a building's architectural components, which may date from a variety of time periods. These techniques include not only archival research, but also careful physical investigation of saw marks, molding profiles, nail types, mortar composition and paint layering. So when his firm was approached to preserve, restore and expand a 19th-century residence in Baltimore County, MD, that had undergone numerous late repairs and additions, it was well-equipped.

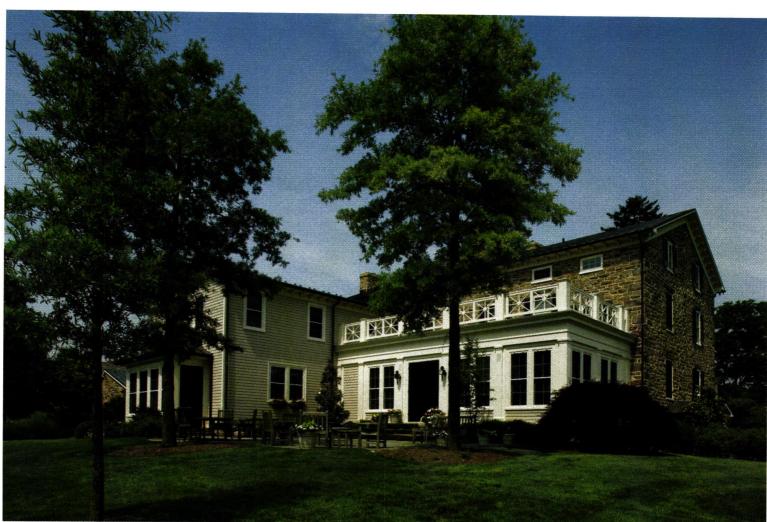
Built between 1800 and 1810, the original two-story gable-roof house is believed to be one of the oldest buildings still standing in Baltimore County.

In 1848, it was expanded to include a one-story kitchen addition, but the most significant changes occurred in 1854 with the addition of a third story, a three-story second wing and a two-story porch. Subsequent owners removed and replaced the porches, and attempted to expand further at the rear with a small stone shed. Over the years, the property proved difficult to maintain and by the time it was acquired by the clients, the house, barn and related outbuildings were in an advanced state of disrepair, cosmetically and structurally, and the historic narrative had been obscured.

The clients wanted to restore the original portion of the house, remove the 20th-century modifications and accommodate a new living room, kitchen, guest bedrooms, informal family entrance and attached garage in new additions to the rear. From the beginning, the clients and the architect agreed that the integrity of the historical wings was of primary importance. "Their goal was to restore the original house, make as few changes as possible in the original configuration of the floor plan and the details, and accommodate their space requirements in the new additions, so they didn't compromise the old house by trying to squeeze these larger spaces into it," Milner says.

Before construction began, all elements of the building that post-dated 1854 were removed, including the stone shed. On the front façade, a 20th-century porch was removed and rebuilt in the original style — determined by remaining evidence on the exterior — and the two-story porch dating from 1854 was replaced. "The two-story porch was in very bad condition. It was collapsing and unsafe," Milner says. "So we took it down and copied all the woodwork, then put it right back up the way it was." This back-to-basics approach left only the 1848 kitchen addition,





The significant new additions occur at the rear of the main two sections of the house. The one-story addition (right) accommodates a new living room, while the two-story addition (left) incorporates the kitchen with guest rooms above.

which was restored and converted to a new office and den.

Prior to its purchase by the clients, structural problems had prevented the use of certain areas of the house. The basement of the 1854 wing had a dirt floor and practically no room in which to stand up. In addition, water penetration over the years had weakened the stone foundation walls. The clients wished to use every available space, so one of the first steps in the restoration was to underpin the entire 1854 wing to create adequate headroom for exercise and work spaces. Structural engineer Gary Gredell of Newark, DE-based Gredell & Associates designed new reinforced-concrete footings and foundation walls that were incrementally installed under the existing stone foundations. This work added four feet of height to the basement and provided the opportunity to install an exterior

waterproof membrane with foundation drains.

Despite its structural problems, the interior elements of the house had aged remarkably well. All of the original woodwork, doors and door frames were salvaged, and many pieces, including the stair-hall banister, remained in place throughout the restoration. Before work began, a detailed survey was taken of the entire building to determine which fea-

tures dated from the 1800-1854 historic period and which had been added later. According to Milner, the preservation objectives were clear from the beginning. "We wanted to save as much pre-1854 material as possible, and remove later material that did not contribute to the building's architectural integrity," he says. "We didn't take any license with the original woodwork. We preserved it all, cleaned it and removed paint down only as far as necessary to reach sound surfaces, and then we re-painted."

Where original details were missing or couldn't be salvaged, the firm followed historic precedent closely in its new designs and antique replacements. In the 1854 wing, Milner replaced the missing fireplace mantel in the living room with an antique one, and designed compatible floor-to-ceiling woodwork. "When we started, there was nothing on that wall except the fireplace opening," Milner says, "and our clients wished to use the space as a library with cabinetry to conceal a television and lots of bookcases. It is a completely designed room, but the elements are of an appropriate style for the time period."

To the trained eye, the dining room may appear a little large in comparison to the other rooms, but this is deliberate. "It was originally two rooms, one a parlor and the other a kitchen," says Milner. "But the partition that separated them had been removed already, and we did not put it back because the owners wanted a large dining room. We did preserve the evidence of that partition in the form of lines in the plaster walls and ceiling." Elsewhere in the dining room the original woodwork, including two fireplace mantels and the winding staircase to the second floor, remains. The plaster surfaces in the two original rooms had survived, with many patches, and were repaired and retained in place.

The new two-story wing at the rear of the original 1800 section, with the kitchen on the first floor and a guest bedroom above, incorporates the stone wall of the original 1800 house. "We preserved that beautiful stone wall so that when you are walking through the house you can constantly orient yourself to what's new and what's old," says Milner. Oak ceiling beams and random-width oak flooring, sawn from antique barn timbers, and antique-pine ceiling boards tie the new kitchen to the old house, and to the surrounding landscape, where oak and pine trees are common. And before the project began, Milner spent six months searching for 19th-century doors, cabinets, mantelpieces and paving brick with which to finish the new wing. "Before the project started we had a whole bunch of materials," he says. "We used most of them in the additions only — I don't like to confuse the historical record by introducing antique materials in original spaces. And we like to use antique doors because they are hand-planed



The woodwork in the 1854 library, which incorporates an antique mantelpiece, was designed by John Milner Architects.



In the new kitchen, random-width oak flooring and oak ceiling beams were sawn from salvaged antique barn timbers. The exposed stonework represents the rear façade of the original 1800 house.

and have wonderful character. I acquired the oak beams and timbers from a dealer, and they have the distinctive color and texture of old wood." The antique paving brick, used as flooring in the new informal entrance, was salvaged from city sidewalks that were removed as part of urban renewal

projects. And the stone wall of the 1848 kitchen wing, now an office, was exposed by the architects to reference the building's historic origins. Antique beaded boards and six-panel doors were used to construct the side-by-side coat closets.

The new living-room addition is attached at the rear of the 1854 section, which is exposed above. Instead of expanding to two stories, it was decided to limit this second addition to one, and to reference the front façade with a railing. "The new additions touch the original house as lightly as possible, and deliberately stand apart," says Milner. "We wanted to respect the original 1854 part of the house, and we really didn't need any more second-floor space." The architects incorporated woodwork inspired by 18thand early-19th-century design president and designed the new space to take maximum advantage of the views of the surrounding open space.

Wood siding differentiates the new elements from the old and maintains the original stonework's priority. But a new standing-seam copper roof unites all the different elements and periods. "We didn't try to pretend that the additions had always been there by building them out of stone," says Milner. "We weren't trying to fool anybody. Just as the old house reflects a natural architectural progression, our new additions provide a clear continuum."

Rather than blend the new garage and parking courtyard with the main house, Milner decided on a different tactic — to "bury" them to the rear and landscape around them. By drawing the eye to the main wings, the effect almost conceals the more service-oriented elements. "The garage is very much a secondary feature and isn't prominent, which is

often a problem when working with old houses," he says. "So we started with the highest part, which was the 1854 wing, then stepped down to the 1800 part, then to the kitchen wing, then down to the garage."

Contractor Matt Slater of Lutherville, MD, completed the complex

project in 14 months, and draws high praise from Milner for "his superb craftsmanship and attention to detail." In addition to dealing with the many challenges presented by the condition of the house and the logistics of building additions with antique materials, he also had to "evict" some indigenous residents. "There were about 50 black snakes living in the house," says Milner. "They were everywhere. They were living in the stonework, the basement, the attic, under the foundation. The contractor removed them one at a time, but some of them were five feet long. I would go down there and I'd see a carpenter carrying a five-foot-long snake out of the house and setting him free in a nearby cornfield." - Lynne Lavelle



The exposed stonework in the informal family entrance hall represents the rear façade of the small 1848 addition.



Conservation easements protect the house and its surrounding landscape.



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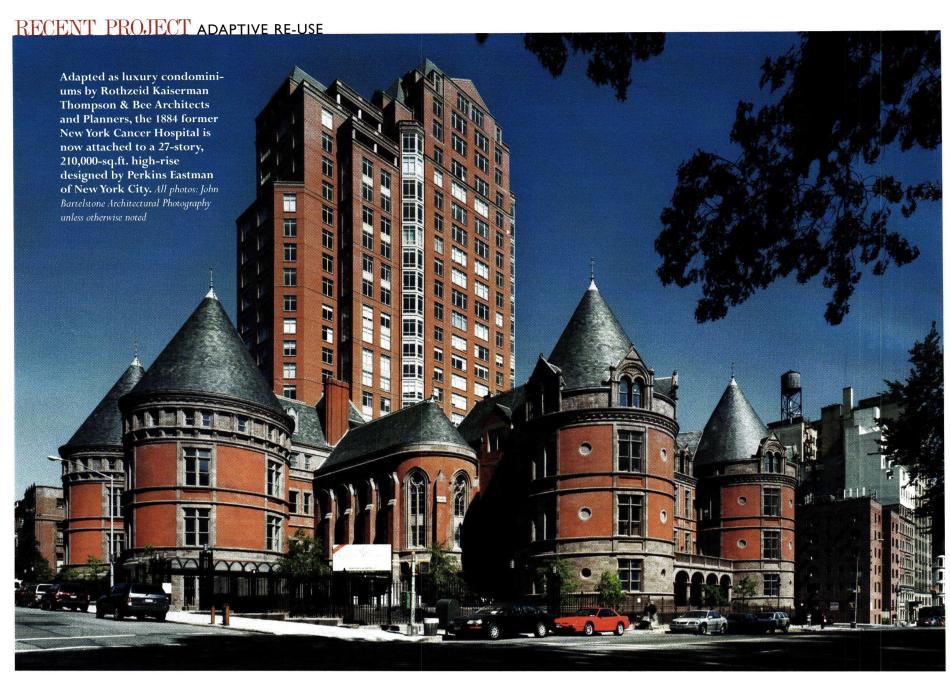
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### Turret Living

A former hospital on Manhattan's Upper West Side is adapted as luxury condominiums.

Project: 455 Central Park West, New York, NY

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GENERAL CONTRACTOR: BOVIS LEND LEASE, NEW YORK, NY

**STRUCTURAL ENGINEER:** DESIMONE CONSULTING ENGINEERS, NEW YORK, NY

esigned by Charles Coolidge Haight in the French Renaissance style and built by John Jacob Astor in 1884, 455 Central Park West in New York City has been through many transformations. It served as the New York Cancer Hospital, the precursor to Sloan-Kettering, for 71 years and then as the Towers Nursing Home from 1956 to 1974. After the nursing home closed its doors, the building had numerous owners, each with a different development plan. Since the early '80s, one thing has remained consistent: the architect.

New York City-based Rothzeid Kaiserman Thomson & Bee Architects and Planners (RKT&B) worked on the adaptive re-use of the building for 20 years before the project was completed in 2004. "We had worked with four developers before one stuck around," says Peter Bafitis, AIA, principal with RKT&B. "Over the years, schemes for re-use included rental housing, a school and an assisted-living facility."

According to Bafitis, a confluence of events hindered the restoration. "It was politics — real-estate politics, preservation politics, New York City agency politics and the fluctuation of the economy. Then 9/11 happened and people didn't want to touch housing. On top of these issues, for a very long time the neighborhood was blighted, which was partially due to the abandoned hospital. It was a rotted hulk that attracted a lot of unsavory people."

In 2001, MCL Companies, a Chicago, IL-based developer, bought the property – listed on the National Register of Historic Places – and began renovating it. MCL's plan was to restore the exterior and gut the interior in order to create a 19-unit condominium. An additional 81 units in an attached 27-story, 210,000-sq.ft. high-rise, designed by Perkins Eastman of New York City, were constructed between late 2000 and early 2004.

RKT&B collaborated with MCL to develop a design for the Landmark building. "MCL's vision was to restore the building," explains Bafitis. "The company wanted spacious, pre-war-sized family apartments." However, it

wasn't an easy transition. After remaining vacant for so many years, the old hospital had fallen into great disrepair. The roof was damaged and caving in, the stonework was displaced or eroded, most of the windows and trim were missing and vegetation was overwhelming the building. "When we approached the site, we didn't know the extent of the structural damage," Bafitis says. "We ended up revealing a structure in far worst shape than we had imagined. The developer might not have taken on the project had he known that major renovation work was required."

While the exterior walls of the building were largely retained, the interior was gutted. Almost everything needed to be replaced, including the roof structure, the roofing slate, the windows, the flooring and the stairs. "Even the top 5 ft. of the exterior walls were removed, because they were

eroded," says Bafitis. "All of the mortar had been washed away and replaced with dirt and soil. Plants had then gained a foothold, which compromised the wall."

Aided by historical images, RKT&B's renovation was sympathetic to the historic fabric of the exterior. Additions dating from the mid-1900s were disassembled, scars were repaired and any exterior elements that could not be salvaged were replicated. The brick and stone façades were re-pointed and replaced with matching pieces where necessary. "On the lower and upper levels, the façade is brownstone; Belleville brick, a longer and thinner variety of standard brick, makes up the façade of the middle floors," Bafitis explains. "We salvaged as much as possible from other parts of the site and matched the original with new brick when we ran out."



Between 1974 and 2001, the building was left vacant and fell into great disrepair. Much of the roofing slate was damaged or missing, the roof was caving in, the stonework was displaced or eroded, the windows were broken and vegetation had gained a foothold in the masonry, rotting the top five feet of the façade. *Photo: RKT&B* 



Above: Very little of the interior could be salvaged. Gutting the building involved bracing the walls with structural steel. Photo: RKT&B

Right: A cobbled entry court is a feature of the renovated 455 Central Park West. A new arched awning leads to a lobby and above, on the main floor of the old chapel, is an apartment.

Similarly, the stonework was repaired where possible. When it could not be repaired, it was replaced with cast stone.

After re-framing the roof, New York City-based Carleton Restoration installed new slate roofing that matched the original in size and color. Additionally, all four of the masonry chimneys were disassembled and rebuilt and metal dormers were replaced.

Windows, fabricated by Wausau Window and Wall Systems of Wausau, WI, were designed and detailed to accurately replicate the originals. "We choose modern metal windows to replace the old ones," says Bafitis. "In terms of sightlines and trims, they were replicated. The new mahogany casings were replicas of the original profile."

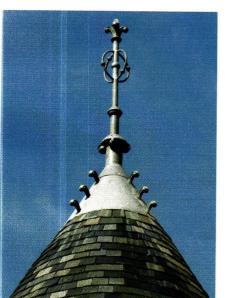
The interior, on the other hand, was a blank slate. RKT&B had considered working with the existing interior layouts and only modifying them slightly, but decided that a completely new plan would better suit the new application. MCL choose not to apply for historic tax credits, which meant that the company wasn't required to preserve parts of the interior. "We inserted a completely new interior, including a new core that really facilitates using the building for residential," says Bafitis.

RKT&B was interested most by the unique outline of the building — especially the five round turrets and the chapel with its Gothic-style windows. In the building's years as a hospital, the turrets served as patients' wards. Each turret's five oversized windows had provided excellent light and ventilation. "The wards were round, because, at the time the facility was built, the leading healthcare belief was that corners trapped germs," explains Bafitis. "Also, the nurses' stations were positioned at the center of the rooms, which allowed them to easily keep track of the patients."

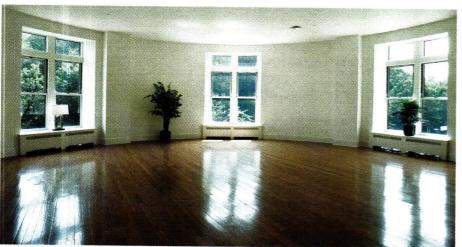
In the renovated building, the rooms in the 42-ft.-dia. turrets were transformed into living/dining rooms and master-bedroom suites. Those apartments on the top floor feature turret spaces with 40-ft. cathedral ceilings. "The cones weren't intended to be left open," says Bafitis, "but we took advantage of a very unique element to do something special. It's one of the reasons people want to live here."

Other selling points of the building

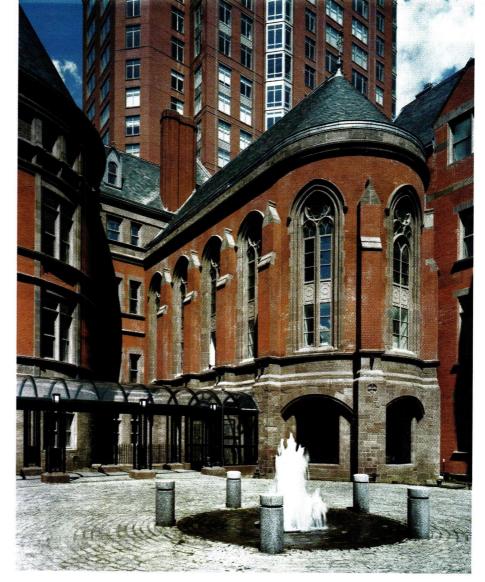
Other selling points of the building are the numerous amenities, such as a private health spa with a pool, a parking garage, full concierge services and a drive-up entry courtyard and intimate interior garden designed by Imlaystown, NJ-based landscape architect Zion & Breen. The apartments are similarly luxurious, with high-end kitchens and bathrooms. Some kitchens feature



The tower roofs were re-slated and new finials replicate the originals.



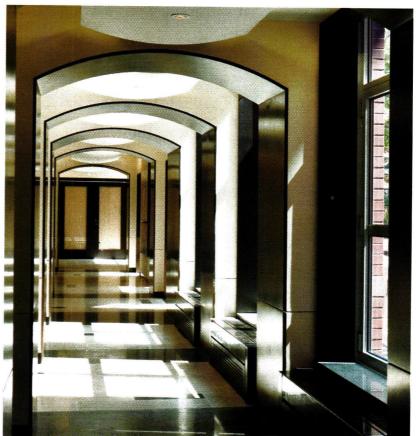
At 42-ft. in dia., the turrets are now living/dining rooms or master bedroom suites.



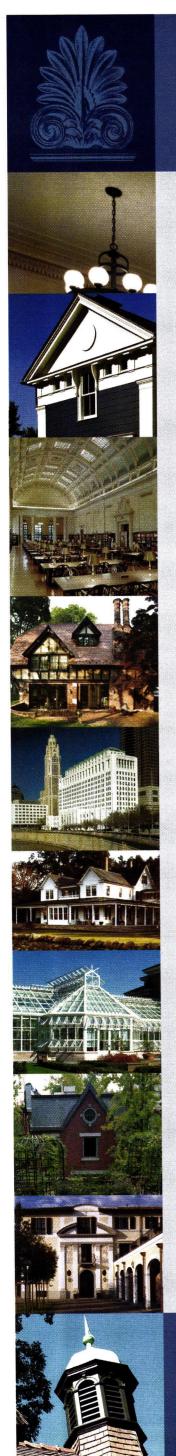
wood flooring, cherry cabinets and stainless-steel appliances. Bathrooms can be outfitted with nickel plumbing fixtures and marble flooring. Most living spaces have 13-ft.-tall ceilings, maple flooring, laundry and woodburning fireplaces with stone hearths and wood surrounds and many have patios or balconies.

Because of their size and expense, some of the apartments, including the chapel unit, were left unfinished so that the buyers could design them to their specifications. Designed and built in the second phase of the original construction, the 5,000-sq.ft. chapel originally featured mosaic-tile flooring, iron railings, stone detailing and a wood vaulted ceiling. Unfortunately, very few of these original elements remained, although RKT&B was able to preserve column details and the wood ceiling in its entirety. The interior walls of the chapel were re-stuccoed and the vaulted ceiling was repaired and painted. To secure the exterior envelope, the original inoperable windows were replaced with operable replicas. As far as other interior items, most of the original flooring in the building had been ripped up at some point. "In fact, there were gapping holes in the floor," says Bafitis. "Of the interior masonry and brickwork that remained, very little was of interest."

The restoration of 455 Central Park West, completed in November 2004, has received much favorable attention, including the Best of 2004 Project of the Year Award from New York Construction, the 2005 Lucy G. Moses Preservation Award from The New York Landmarks Conservancy, a Roger H. Corbetta Award of Merit, a Gold Award for Engineering Excellence from the American Council of Engineering Companies and a Metropolitan Chapter of the Victorian Society in America Award. – *Hadiya Strasberg* 



Like the apartments, the hallways are filled with natural light. Sheetrock ceiling coffers conceal lighting fixtures.



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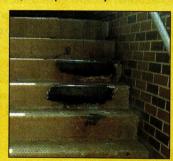






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### A Townhouse Grows Up

An unassuming three-story building is transformed into a five-story townhouse on Manhattan's Upper East Side.

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ooftop and rear extensions on New York townhouses these days are typically "of their time," meaning Modernist — the favorite style for additions among the commissioners of the city's Landmarks Preservation Commission. The façades often get clad in reflective Mondrian-pattern curtain wall with black mullions, while the new roof ridges angle and jut in watered-down interpretations of the works of Viennese avant-garde firm Coop Himmelb(l)au. Rarely do Manhattan architects break with such contemporary "traditions" and design something genuinely traditional that blends with existing streetscapes. New York City-based Steven Kratchman Architect, P.C., just finished this kind of maverick history-inspired townhouse addition on the Upper East Side — on a block not in fact monitored by the Landmarks Commission. Kratchman transformed an unremarkable three-story brick box into a gracefully proportioned, five-story limestone home that seems to have stood there for nearly a century.

"We were looking to evoke 1930s townhouses, or embassies or clubhouses, that have clean lines but still hark back to 19th-century traditions," Kratchman explains. The architect also aimed to showcase the limitless possibilities of architectural stonework; the client is a stone importer who owns a Brooklyn-based company called Natural Stone Industries and entertains customers and prospective customers at the house. Contrary to the ancient adage that declares that cobblers' children have no shoes, this stone merchant's family enjoys juxtapositions of marble, granite and slate with vein patterns as dramatic and intriguing as Jackson Pollock paintings.

Kratchman re-engineered every inch of the original building to support the added floors with elaborate masonry. The Victorian brick structure, topped in a sheet-metal dentil cornice, had been chopped into characterless apartments, offices and a store. Fire escapes trailed down the back to a two-story rear wing. Kratchman's teams gutted the main block and tore off the fire escapes. They peeled off the back extension's roof and part of its top floor and inserted new steel floor joists to hold two tiers of terraces. The workers also spent two months excavating the site's basement: the floor was lowered to create a 9-ft.-tall usable space, which accommodates a gym, wine cellar and laundry room, among other amenities. All footings were reinforced, both for the existing structure and for its immediate townhouse neighbors. "It was almost like we were digging a tunnel," Kratchman recalls. "We could only proceed a few feet forward at a time."



A brick Victorian townhouse on the Upper East Side had been gutted into characterless apartments, offices and a store.



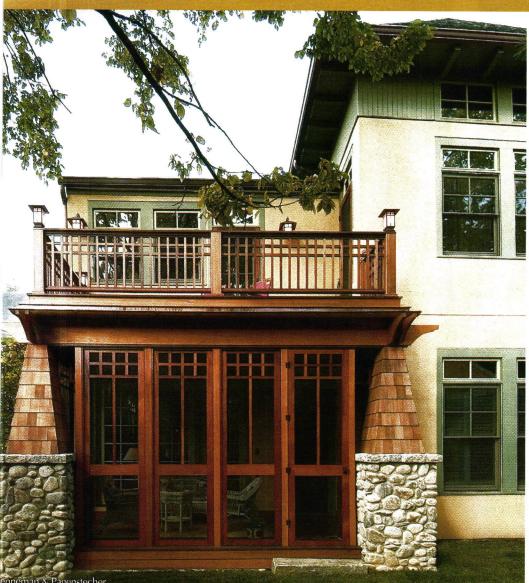
Kratchman added two stories and pinned French limestone to the brickwork. Two-inch reveals between limestone blocks give the base a sense of heft and depth. All photos: courtesy of Steven Kratchman Architect, P.C.

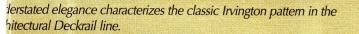
The new stone façade gives some hint of the interior's increased weight and capaciousness. Foot-deep French limestone blocks were steel-pinned to the vintage brickwork. At the quasi-rusticated base, Kratchman designed 2-in. reveals between 18-in.-tall blocks, as the walls are load-bearing. Dentils support the ground floor's cyma recta cornice, which echoes a cyma reversa cornice five floors up. All the stone, explains the architect, "came from quarries near Avignon that also supplied the limestone for the popes' palaces there. Our sections have fewer fossils than you'll see on the palaces, but the warmish, buttery, beautiful color is exactly the same."

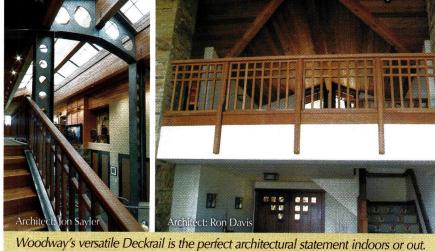
On every floor, Kratchman pulled back the limestone to form 10-in.deep reveals for floor-to-ceiling, transom-capped casement windows that resemble French doors. Although all panes are operable, the occupants can't step onto the shallow sills, some of which are fronted in scrollwork iron railings supplied, like all of the house's metalwork, by Brooklyn-based



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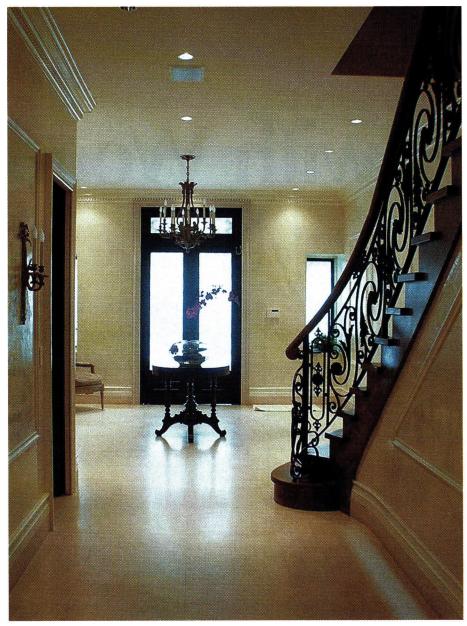
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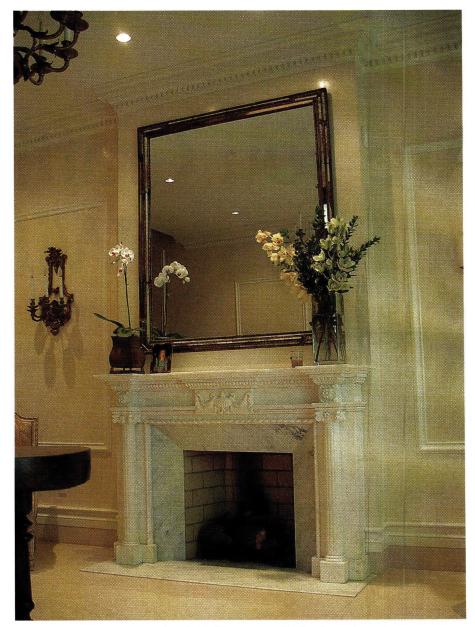


In the entry hall, scrollwork iron railings edge a teak main staircase.

Metal Crafts Inc. "We put in what are officially called French balconies," Kratchman explains. "You see them all over Paris, filled with flowerboxes." The railings' curlicues echo flowery ironwork on the ground floor's spear-topped fence and the entry door's security grilles. The whole exterior is cohesive, restrained and elegant, as well as respectful of similarly fence-fronted and dentil-trimmed townhouses on the block.

Kratchman meanwhile kept the interior ornament system consistent and low-key. All doors are walnut, even on the elevator. Iron scrollwork railings edge a teak main staircase and also frame a sunny bay window tucked at the back of the kitchen. Fluted pilasters and Ionic volutes recur on virtually every floor, from the corners of the kitchen island to the marble fireplaces in the library, living room and bedrooms.

The only visual fireworks in sight are the colors and patterns of the stone. In the kitchen, charcoal-streaked creamy marble counters complement



The owner, a stone importer, installed elaborate marble fireplaces throughout the house.

cream woodwork. Fireplaces are carved with urns and swags, and some pilaster flutes are trompe l'oeil: terra cotta-colored vertical strips were inlaid into cream backgrounds. In the eight bathrooms, almost no tile was used. Stone sheets on the walls and floors are 3 in. deep - no mere veneers need apply. In the downstairs powder room, bold veins of lichen or brown slash across gray granite walls. In the master bath, white marble sheets bear feathery gray crisscrosses. On the rear terraces, the family relaxes amid Vermont slate pavers in shades of butter or peach.

At the rims of the terraces stand either iron scrollwork railings or low stucco walls. During construction, the owners even funded repairs and stucco coverings for the neighbors' brick rear walls. Everyone overlooking the spot, that is, gets to enjoy Kratchman's well-coordinated aesthetics. The house, while doubling in size, remained a team player at every elevation. — Eve M. Kahn





Sheets of dramatically veined stone line the bathrooms. The master bath has a subtle gray on white palette from floor to ceiling.

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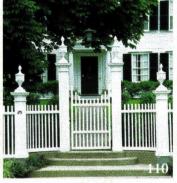
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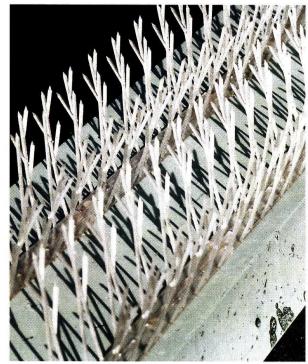
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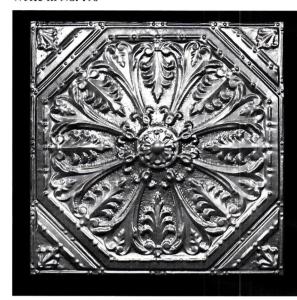
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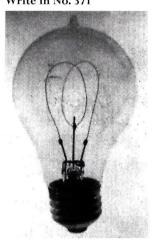


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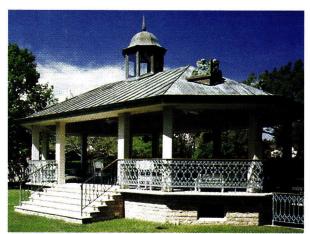
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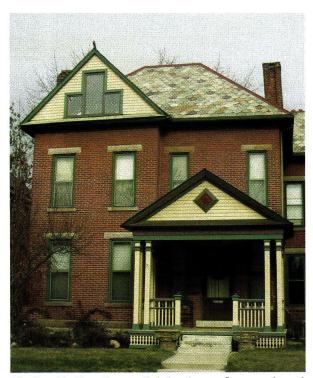
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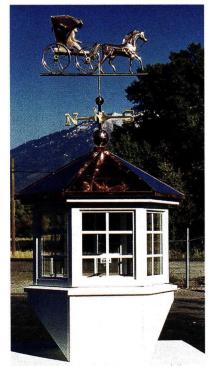
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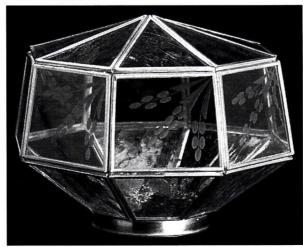
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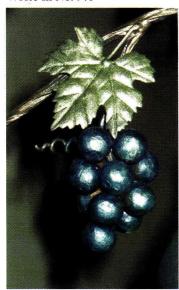
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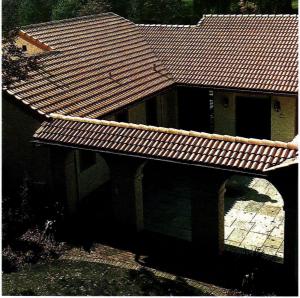
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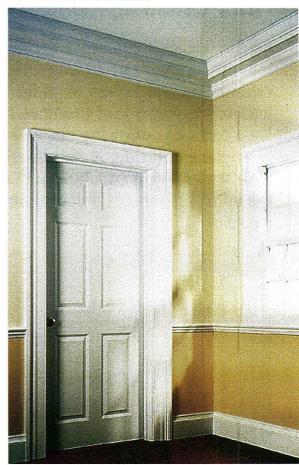
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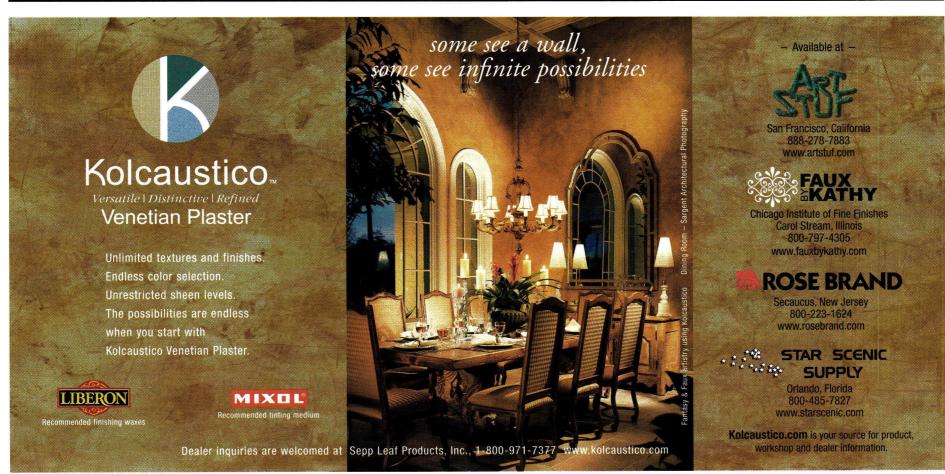
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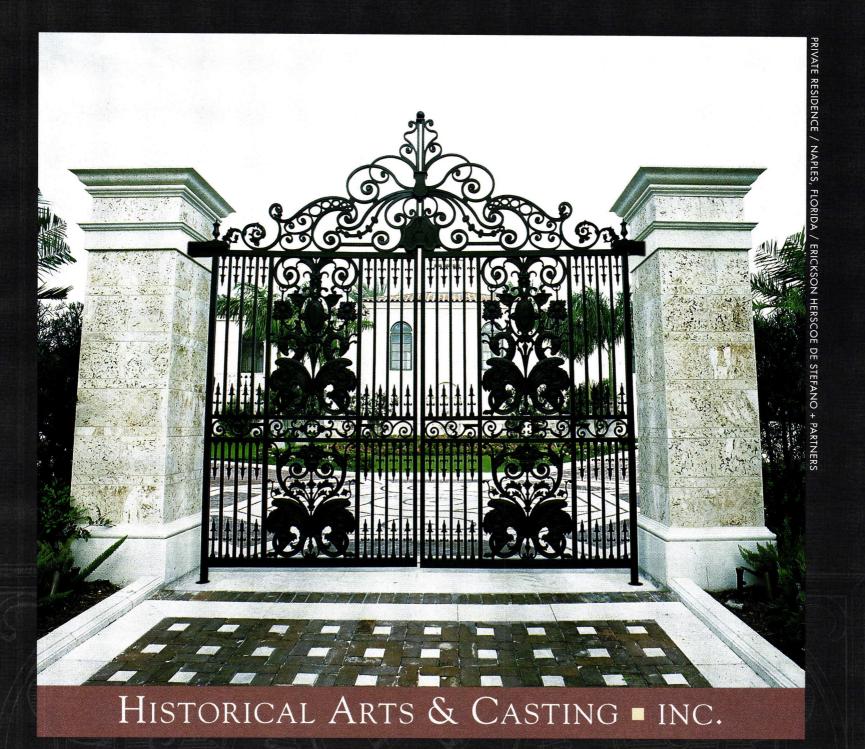
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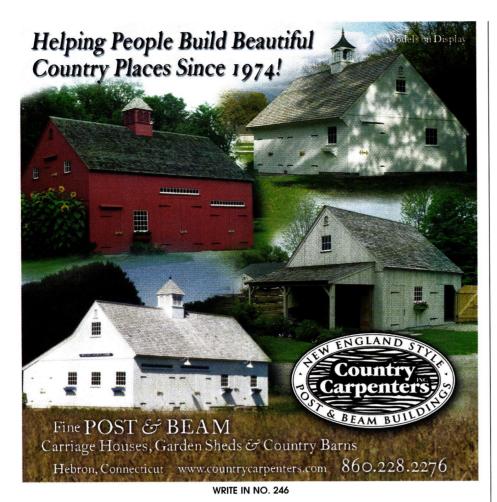


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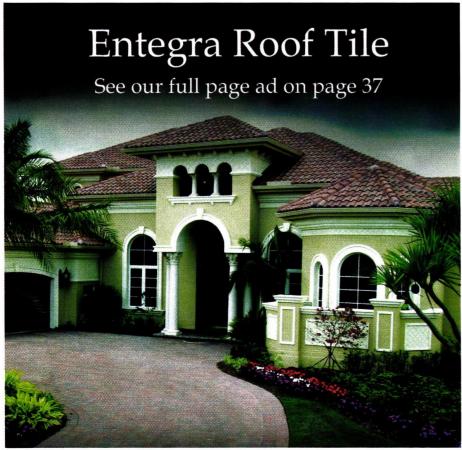


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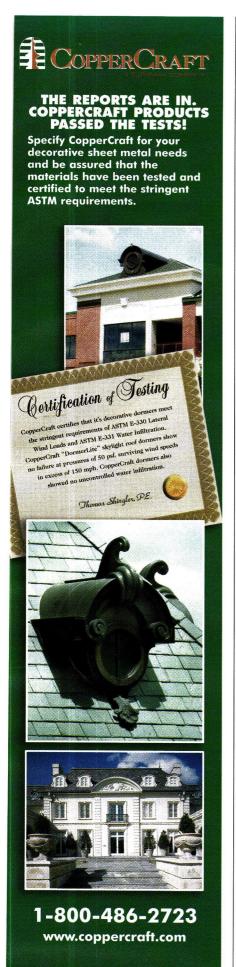


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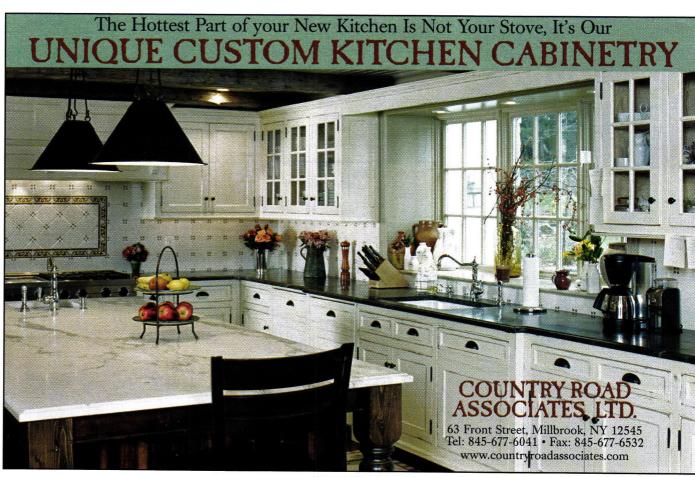


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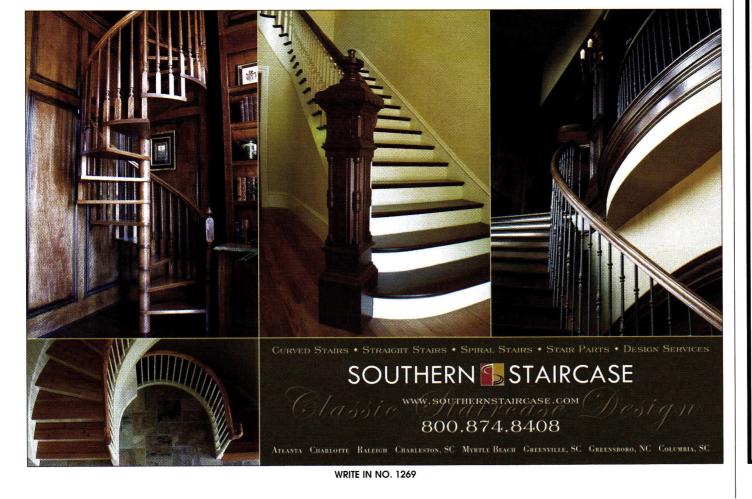
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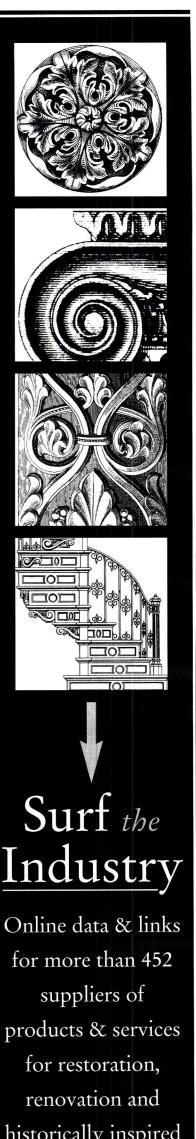






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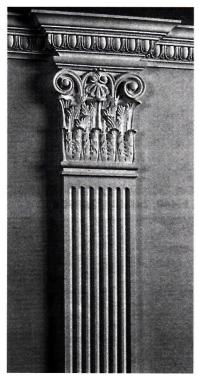
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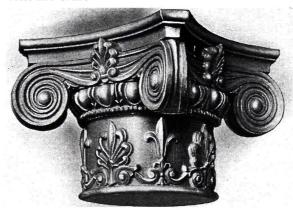
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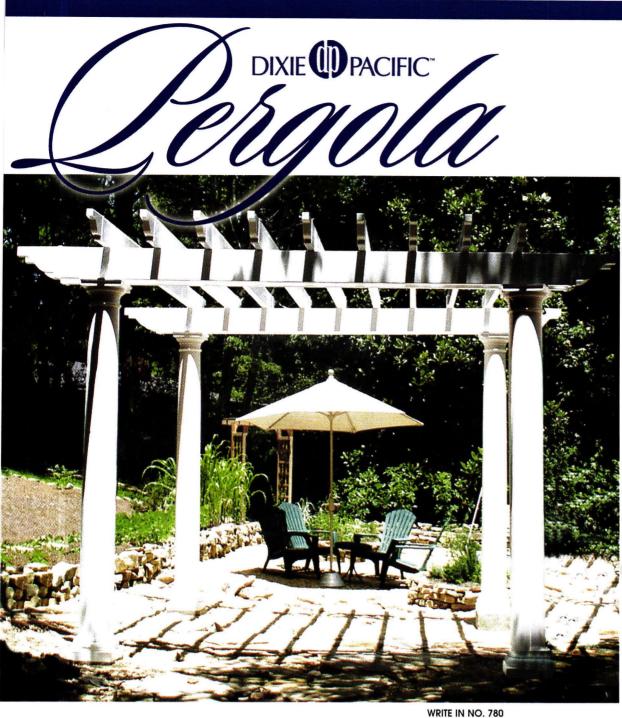
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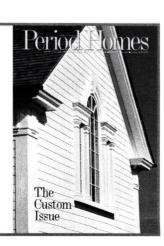
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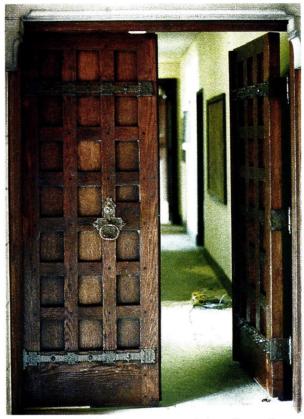
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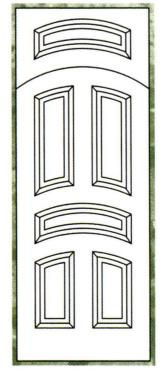
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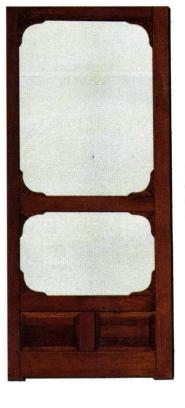
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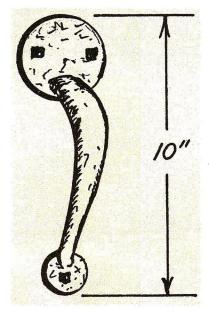
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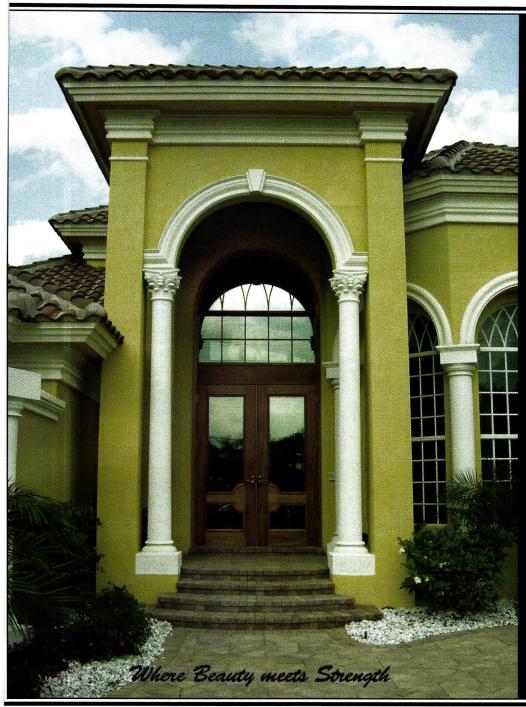
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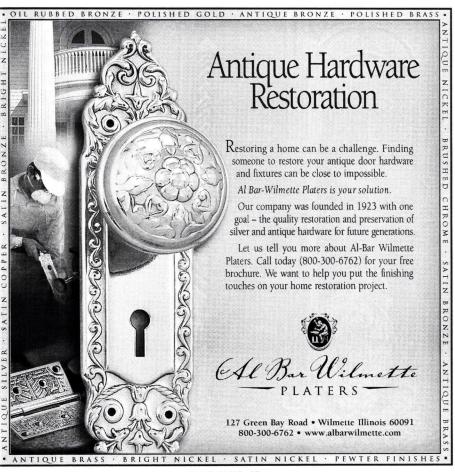
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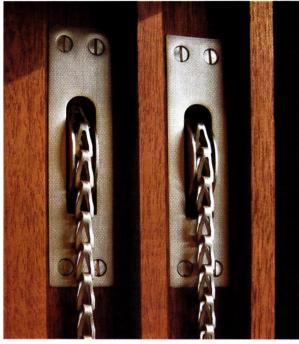
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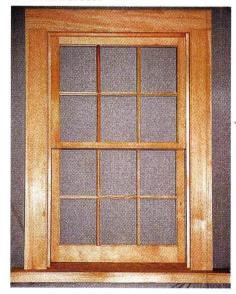
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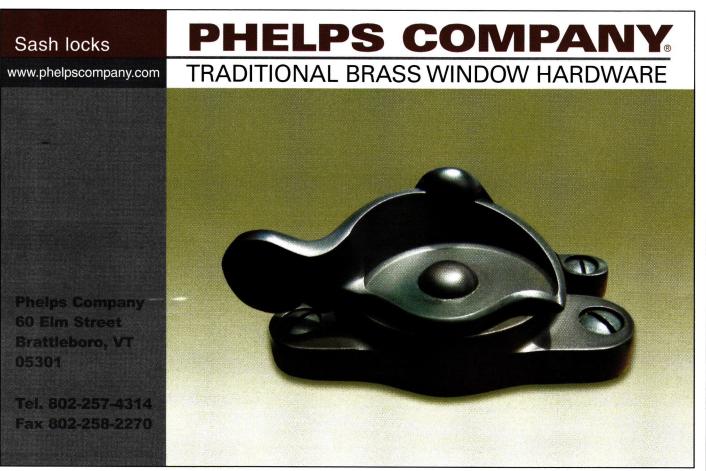


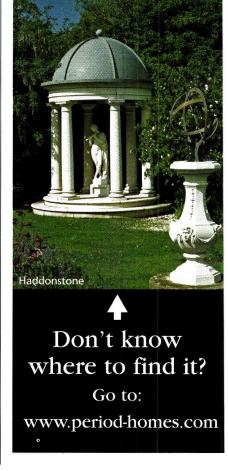
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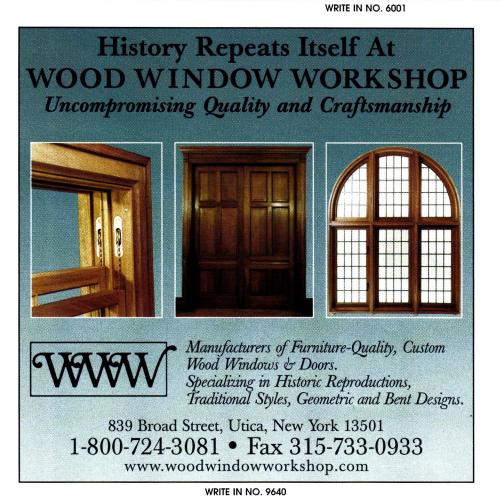


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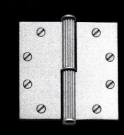






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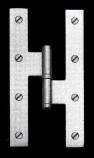








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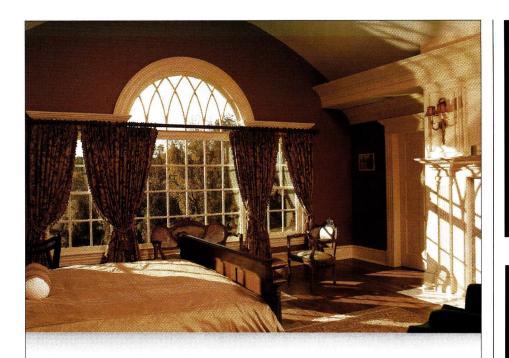






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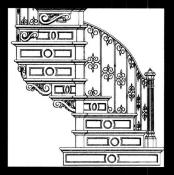


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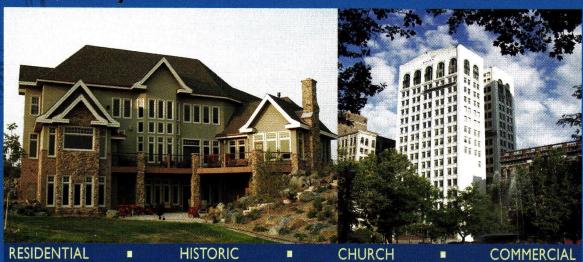




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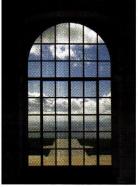
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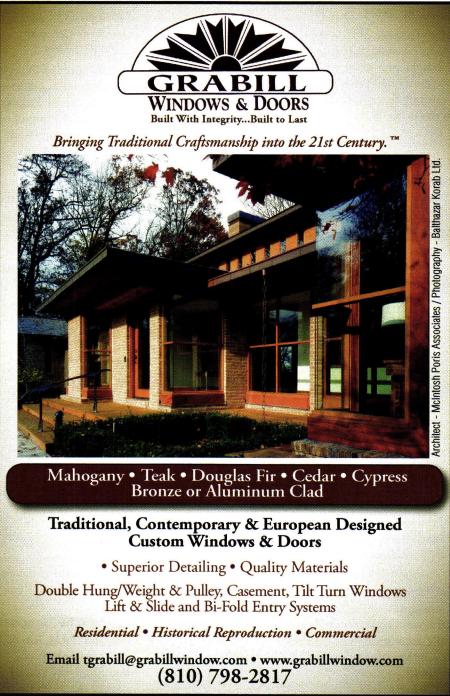
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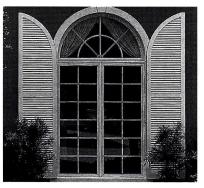
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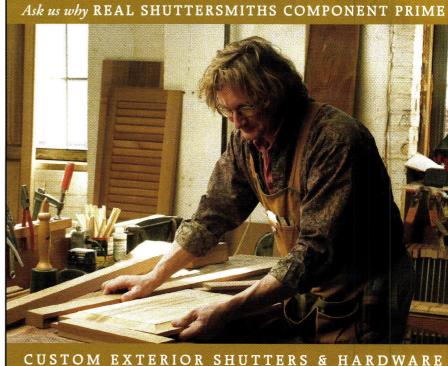
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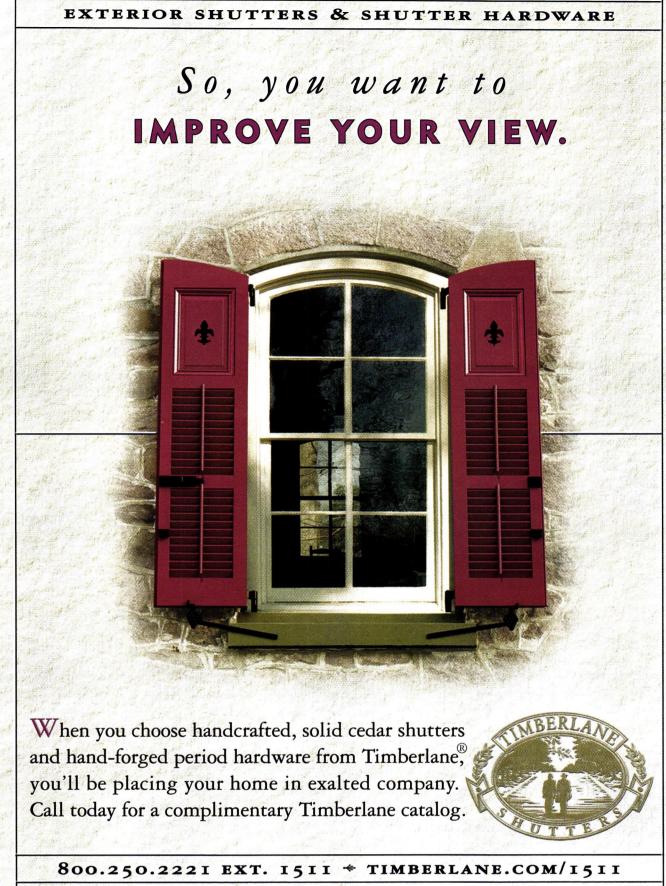
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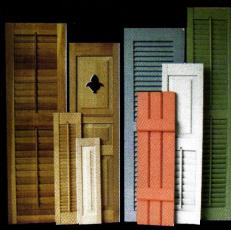
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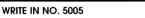
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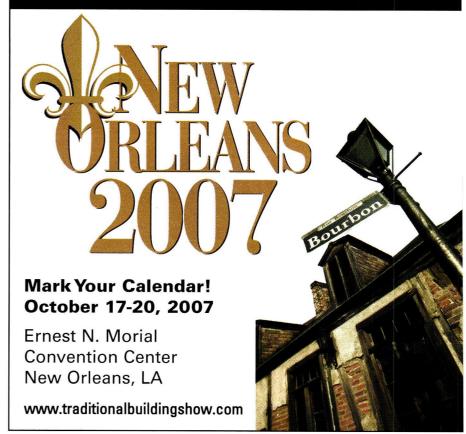
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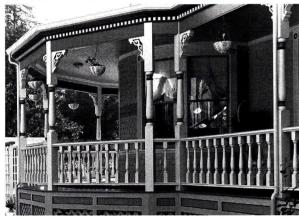
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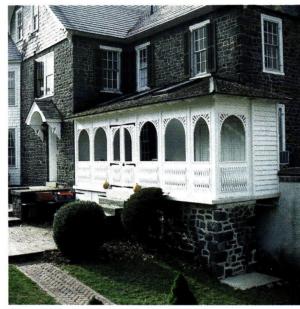
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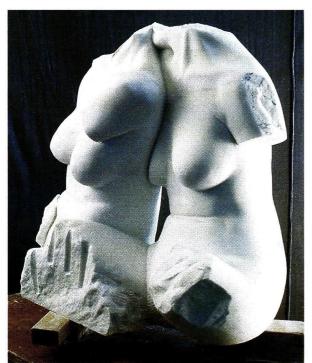
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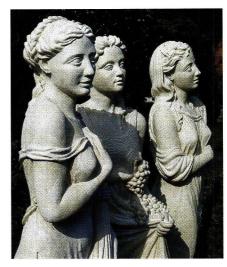
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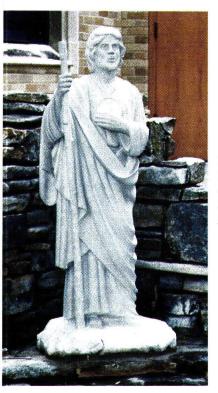
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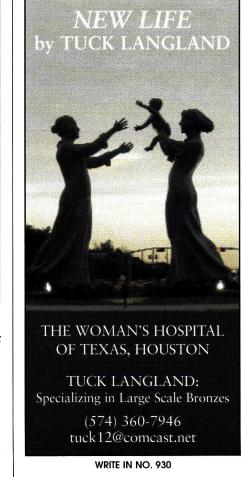
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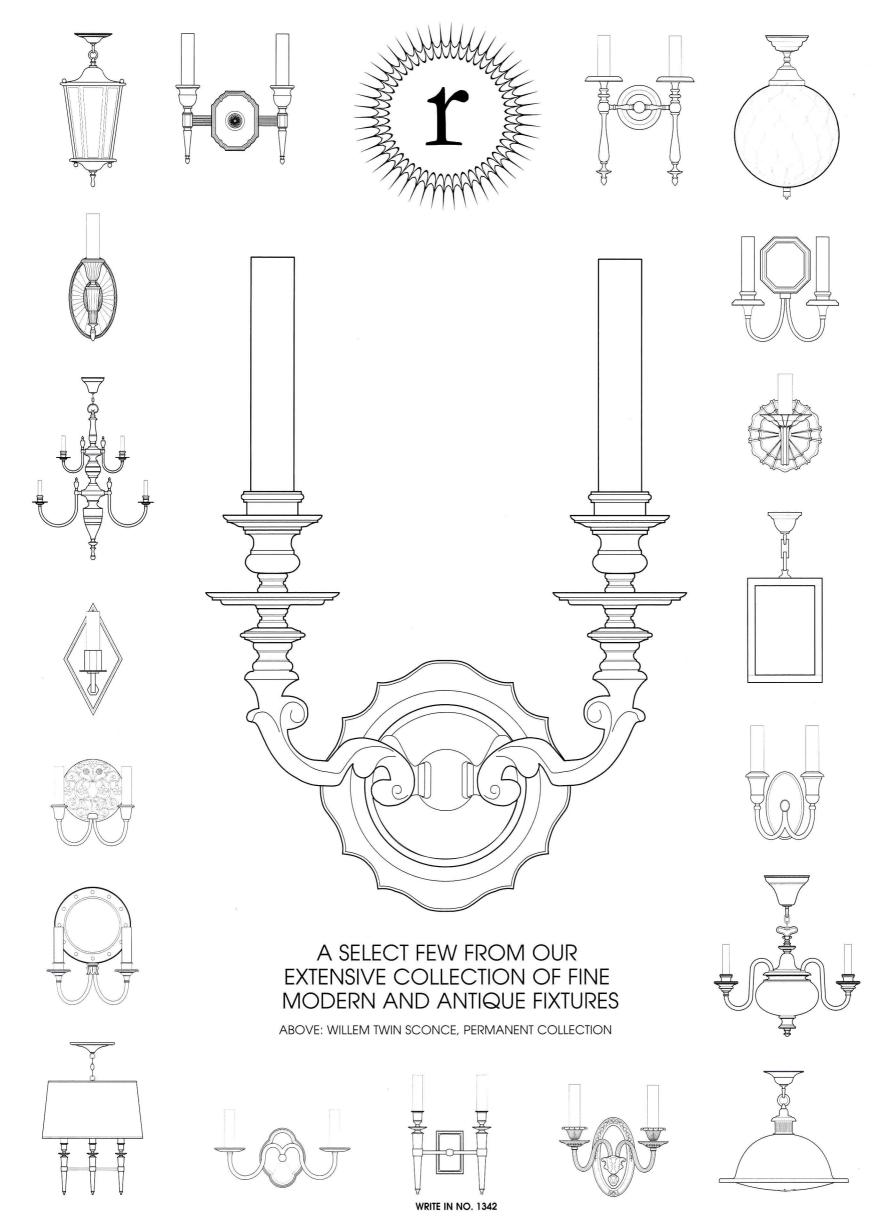
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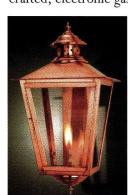


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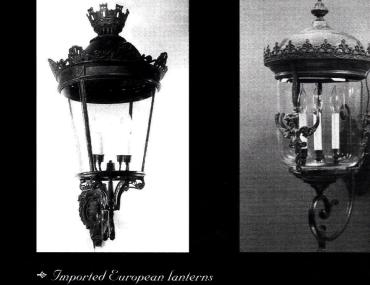
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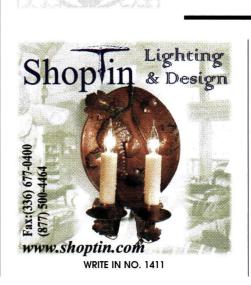
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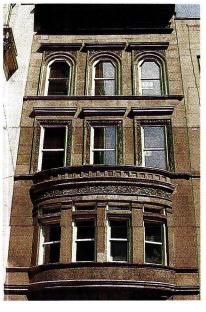
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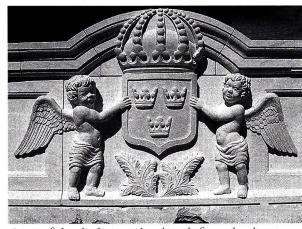
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## Manufactured Architecture

The assembly line can yet be redeemed. By Stephen A. Mouzon, AIA, CNU, LEED

he wholesale loss of construction wisdom that began with the Great Decline (1925-1945) resulted in the collective amnesia of the Dark Ages of Architecture (1945-1980) and continues largely unabated to this day, except in the few isolated places that have been committed to getting things right since the beginning of the New Renaissance (1980-present). The first phase of the New Renaissance (1980-2005) was almost entirely spent re-collecting the lost wisdom, but as we get into the second phase, the focus has broadened to include, among other things, the disbursement of the wisdom that continues to be collected.

If we are serious about the proliferation of the collected wisdom of the New Renaissance, then all available methods of proliferation should be considered. The assembly line is arguably the most prolific method of our time for creating many objects within a tolerable degree of perfection. The manufacturing process can be used to deliver objects with embedded wisdom that is no longer present in much of the available craft pool.

A classic example is the fireplace. Today, few masons are able to competently lay a firebox, smoke shelf and flue that will predictably draw smoke up the chimney. But pre-manufactured refractory concrete fireplaces do so repeatedly, highlighting one of the great advantages of the assembly line: In order to get a large quantity of competent work from a craft pool, each member of that craft pool must be trained to a level of competence. The

assembly line, however, only requires that the proper design be delivered to one point, after which time it can be cranked out indefinitely.

A second advantage is the fact that any item built in the controlled environment of a factory is more likely, given the same level of human skill, to be produced well repeatedly than items constructed in the field due to rain, temperature, humidity and lighting degradations that occur in the field but not under a factory roof. This prompts the manufacturer's question, "Would you rather have your car assembled in your driveway by a half-dozen guys you hire, or in the factory?"

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The assembly line, therefore, should be a powerful tool in the proliferation of wisdom of the second phase of the New Renaissance. But until now, it has been of limited benefit, primarily because the collected

ly because the collected wisdom has largely not yet permeated the world of the industrial designers who are producing building material and component designs. There are five levels, or tiers, at which the New Urban Guild (www.newurbanguild.com) is addressing this problem:



This is America's current perception of manufac-

and towns? Interestingly, there are entire nations

where manufactured housing is banned because

of just this same perception.

tured housing. Is it any wonder that manufac-

tured housing is banned in thousands of cities

Katrina Cottage VIII, the first Tier 4 house, is on display at a temporary site.

### **Proportional Size Selection**

Some construction products are already manufactured properly, but are available in far too wide a range of sizes. Wood windows are a classic example. For standard window widths, there are only a few heights that are properly proportioned. Yet, most manufacturers' size charts contain hundreds of sizes, nearly all of them ill-proportioned. The New Urban Guild is working with manufacturers to pre-select only those windows that are properly proportioned.

### **Proper Profiles**

Today, there is no reason to extrude or otherwise shape anything in improper profiles. Yet trim profiles are squashed almost past the point of recognition (for the better ones) or are composed of an illegible collection of shapes. Fluted columns are extruded from aluminum, which makes it impossible to either taper the column or terminate the flutes properly. Every clad window on the market is manufactured with the dreaded "vinyl tumor" or "aluminum tumor." Handrails are joined with grotesque plastic

connectors. Plastic porch flooring looks more like the soiled diapers from which it is made than the wood that it is intended to represent.

It doesn't have to be this way. While some products such as extruded-aluminum columns simply should not exist, many others are shaped poorly when they just as easily could be shaped properly. Few people knew what the proper shape was 25 years ago at the beginning of the New Renaissance, but that simply is not true anymore. The New Urban Guild is working with a number of manufacturers interested in re-tooling to get their products right.

### **Building-Part Assemblies**

There are some building-part assemblies that continually bedevil builders, even in places that are working hard to get things right. Most notable are the dormer, the eave return and the door surround, but there are others. All of these are characterized by corner joints that must be made in a certain way in order that the detail finish-out properly. Once the corner joint is made, however, it is a simple matter to extend the trim profiles down the wall, or wherever it goes next, because the entire problem is in the corner. The manufactured masonry fireplaces mentioned earlier have proven that a factory-built product can carry wisdom to the field that no longer exists in the craft pools.

### Modular Housing & Manufactured Housing

It is a monumental challenge to convince millions of citizens that we can now produce great architecture on the assembly line. Almost as large a challenge is the re-training of the industry that created what most consider to be manufactured housing — the trailer.

Because of this, we thought that Tier 4 (Modular Housing, which is delivered to the site in several pieces) and Tier 5 (Manufactured Housing, which is delivered to the site in one or two pieces) of the New Urban Guild's Manufactured Architecture program would be the last to be tackled. However, Hurricane Katrina changed that. When Andrés Duany and I first conceived of what would become the Katrina Cottages program the weekend after the storm, the three foundation principles were that houses must be produced using every available delivery method, design must be excellent and design must be appropriate to the region in which it was to be delivered. Obviously, this was not possible with the then-current state of affairs in the American manufactured-housing industry. But, like good New Urbanists that don't even get interested in a project until someone tells them it is impossible, we tackled it anyway.

We found it to be a far bigger job than we ever imagined. It takes much longer to get each manufacturer to produce great work than we anticipated because they simply cannot see detail at this point, and training them takes time.

It is clearly very difficult and very time consuming, but it can be done. On September 11, 2006, Katrina Cottage VII became the first-ever house manufactured to HUD code (which regulates manufactured housing) that met our design requirements. It therefore became the first Tier 5 product. Shortly thereafter, Katrina Cottage VIII became the first-ever house manufactured to modular codes that met our design requirements. It therefore became the first Tier 4 product.

So producing great design on the assembly line is exceptionally difficult...the first time. But when it is done, then we can reliably produce thousands of copies of perfect architecture. Obviously, it's worth the effort on this count alone. But manufacturing architecture precisely on the assembly line also produced a number of surprising positive side effects. Our assumption was that every aspect of manufacturing architecture was likely to be a battle against the cheapest possible details. But this simply is not so.

Because mass production necessitates building lots of widgets (like columns), you really don't have to stick with the stock profiles, because they are going to build many of them either way. In this case, the Katrina Cottage VIII column design digresses from the canon in a number of ways, attenuating the columns to an unusual degree. The intent is to be charmingly provincial. The surprising point is the freedom to do details when mass-producing that could not be considered on most one-off building budgets. Other complex items, such as the handrails, can be set up on jigs that make sense when producing a large number of parts, which simply cannot be done on typical projects.

For years, the assembly line was credited with destroying building crafts, although blame for such should probably be more heavily shouldered by architects desiring what they called a "machine aesthetic." It is ironic that, at this juncture in history, the assembly line is poised to return architectural wisdom to the market on a scale so massive that it cannot even be contemplated by the few pockets of highly trained tradespeople that currently exist. Stay tuned.  $\blacksquare$ 

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