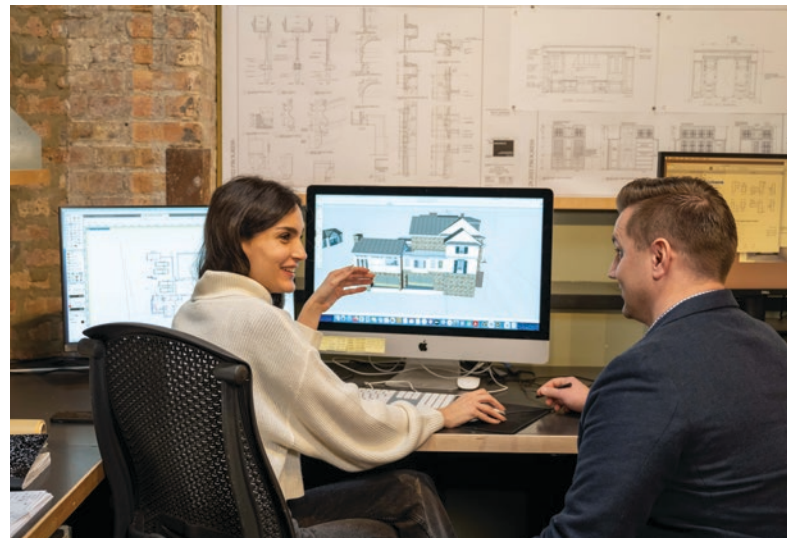




Selected Works

CONTEMPORARY STYLE



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SELECTED WORKS:

Contemporary Style

At BBA, we are committed to finding an inspired solution to raise the expectation of great design. In this volume, we feature three homes that showcase modern design.

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Open-concept modern home was added to the front of an exiting two-story warehouse building. p. 4

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Classically arrayed rooms are designed with a modern character and reimagined architectural style. p. 16

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Striking vertical modern vacation home on the lake in Michigan City, Indiana. p. 36

Our Story

BBA Architects is focused on providing exceptional client service and outstanding design in the Great Lakes region and beyond.

BBA was built on listening to our clients with open minds, offering an interactive design experience and delivering a thoroughly considered product. Gary Beyerl founded the studio in 1993 and is now joined by Ed Twohey and Jen Hense at the helm.

Our portfolio of work does not reflect a specific style. At BBA, we strive to create beautiful custom designs by paying careful attention to our individual client's stylistic preferences, functional requests, and budget requirements. We draw inspiration from both historical and modern sources while translating our client's vision into thoughtful, innovative and timeless designs.

After over 30 years in business, we have completed over 1,500 projects, each as unique as the people for which we created them. We work collaboratively, allowing discussion, debate and continued education to elevate our process as both individual architects and a design team. Our firm has been an important incubator for young architects, who have been trained in our process of providing clients with well studied design, tracking budgets, and providing pro-active service during the construction phase.

Our team is ready to continue this tradition, as we incorporate evolving building technology, contemporary lifestyle trends, and more sustainable methods into our practice.

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Modern City House





MODERN CITY HOUSE

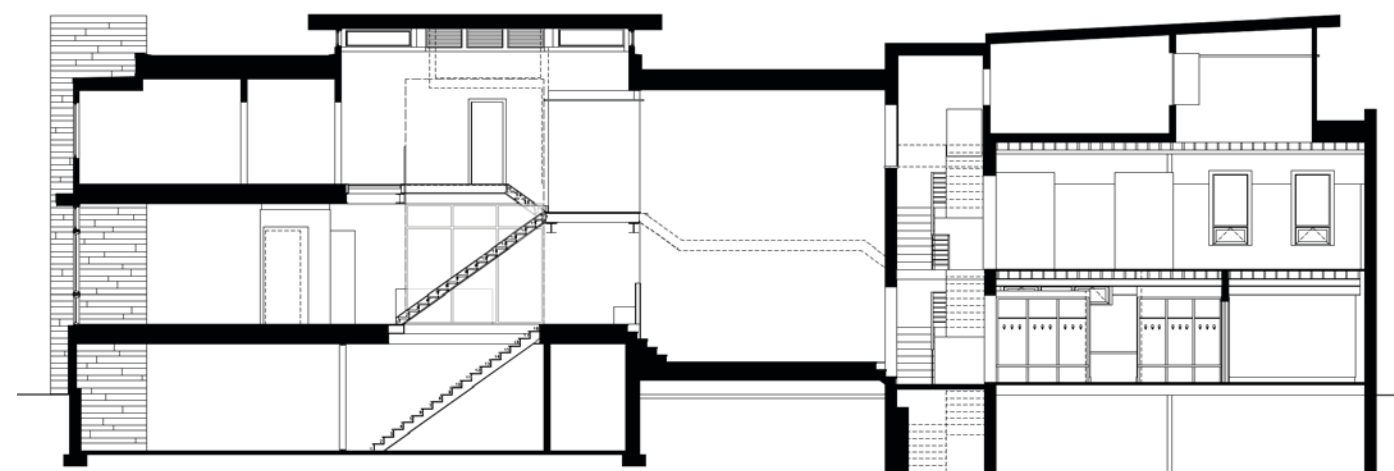
This new construction home was added to the front of a two-story warehouse building. Materials were salvaged and reused from the deconstruction of an existing adjacent home. A glass room joins the old and the new. A steel framed loft, stair structure and bridges navigate the various floor levels. The 4-inch thick wood decking and stair treads were fabricated from beams salvaged from the original house. Resin screen panels with aluminum filaments provide a railing and privacy panel for the stair and kitchen. The panels are also used along one side of the bridge over the family room. A raised terrace extends the interior space to the exterior and yard beyond.

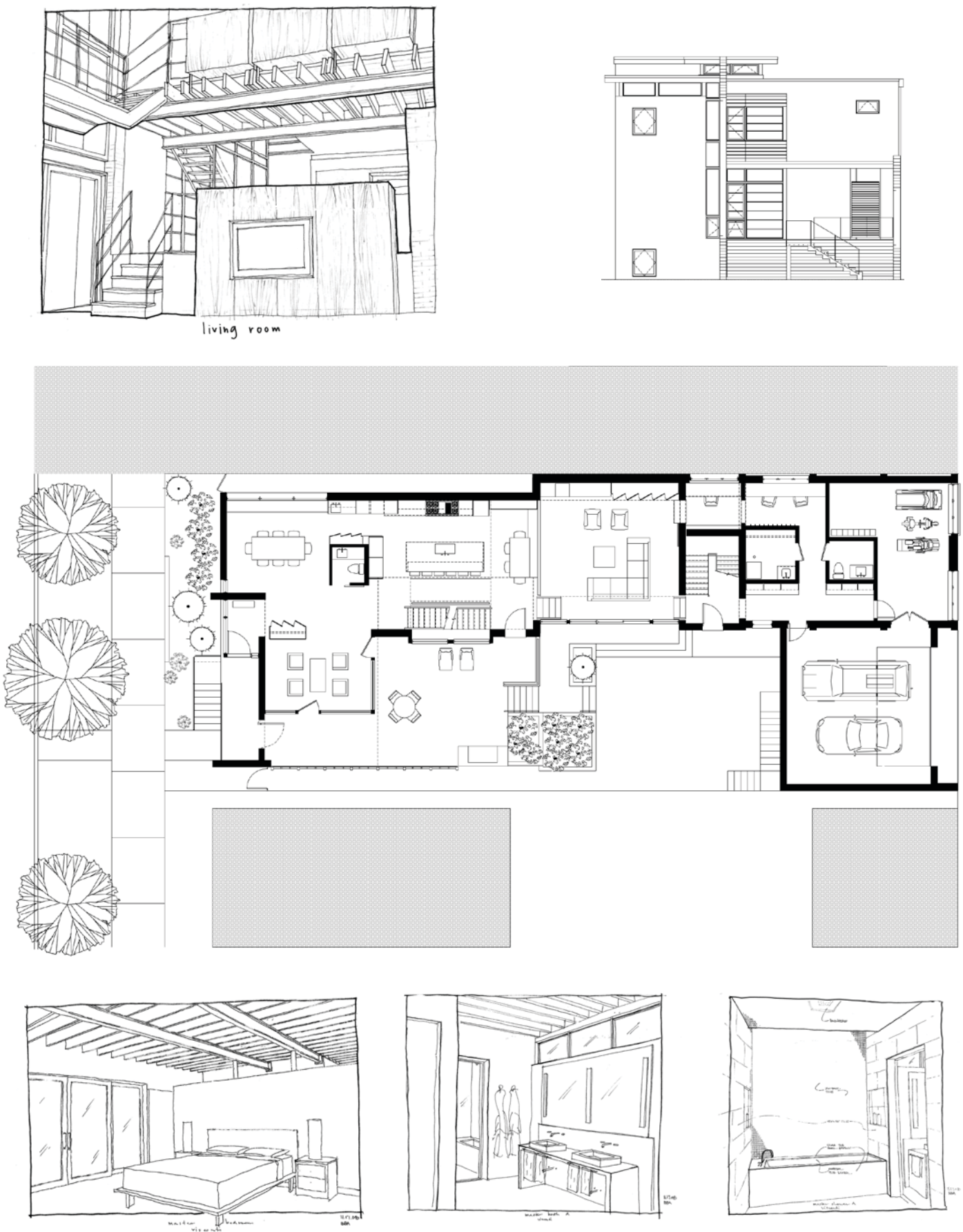
SERVICES
Architectural Interiors
Bidding & Contract Negotiation
Construction Administration
Existing Building Assessment
Zoning Relief

LOCATION
Chicago, Illinois

SIZE
8,100 sf.

PHOTOGRAPHY
Nathan Kirkman









Timeless Transformation





TIMELESS TRANSFORMATION

For this city home renovation, classically arrayed rooms are designed with a modern character and reimagined the architectural style. The expanded building area allows the home to connect to the garage while reconfiguring the floor plan layout to create an open family home.

SERVICES
Architectural Interiors
Building Design
Bidding & Contract Negotiation
Construction Administration
Existing Building Assessment
Zoning Relief

LOCATION
Chicago, Illinois
SIZE
5,600 sf.
PHOTOGRAPHY
Mikey Schwartz



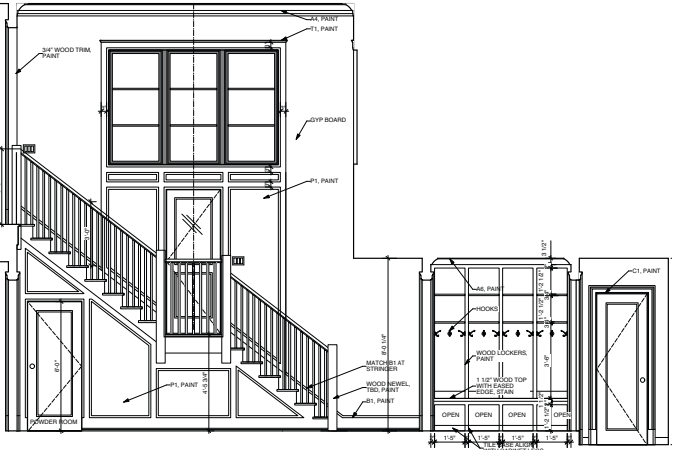
BEFORE





BEFORE





With attention to balance and function, the bold kitchen of this home balances a high-contrast contemporary edge with timeless transitional appeal. A wall of custom cabinets seamlessly blends design and function. And a breakfast nook offers the perfect place to start the day.









A family-friendly children's space features custom built-in shelving, a playful wall covering, and plenty of space for homework and playtime activities, while the home office provides a light and bright space to work from home.





Modern Beach House





MODERN BEACH HOUSE

We focused the commanding view of this urban site in Sheridan Beach toward the water. A wall of glass frames the view while clerestories at the roof level and translucent Kalwall assures that sunlight penetrates throughout the living spaces. Substantial terrain necessitates entering the building from the second level via a bridge that provides a vista to the water thru the axis of the house. A large terrace at the main level provides sun protection for the beach level terrace. A soaring pitched roof is expressed on the interior to provide character for the bedrooms.

SERVICES
Building Design
Building Interiors
Bidding & Contract Negotiation
Construction Administration
Landscape Design
LEED Consulting
Technology Integration
Zoning Relief

LOCATION
Michigan City, Indiana

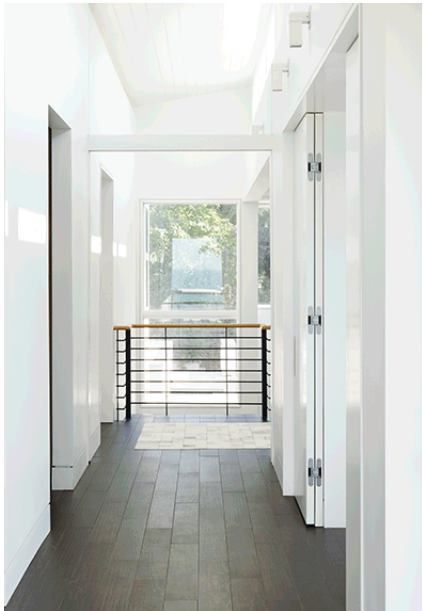
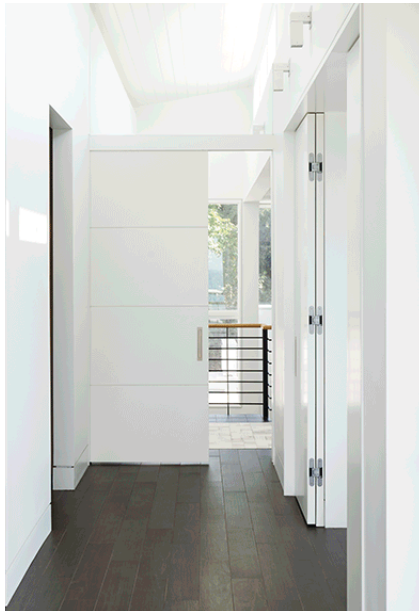
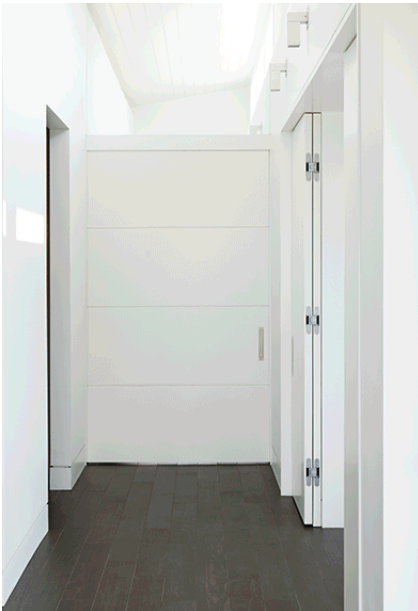
SIZE
2,800 sf.

PHOTOGRAPHY
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GARY BEYERL, AIA

Gary co-founded Burns + Beyerl Architects in 1993, now BBA Architects. He continues to lead the firm with partners Ed Twohey and Jennifer Hense with an unbridled passion for creativity, and a desire for excellence.

Gary has enjoyed designing and renovating several homes with his wife. Each has involved hands on construction experience and experimentation. In 2007, Gary completed a weekend home at Tryon Farm, a conservation development in Michigan City, Indiana. He has also designed a fresh water swimming pond for the Farm. In 2022, he and his wife assumed stewardship of community and will continue to develop the legacy of the project.



ED TWOHEY, AIA

Ed joined BBA in 1994 as the first employee and was named Principal in 1999. He received a Bachelor of Architecture from Miami University in Ohio in 1989 and a Masters of Architecture from Washington University in St. Louis in 1991.

Born and raised in Grand Rapids, Michigan, Ed assisted his mother in her estate sales business growing up. As Principal, the experience of working with vintage and historic homes still guides and inspires him as he designs renovation, restoration and new custom residential projects. Ed enjoys finding new opportunities during the design process that greatly enrich the clients lifestyle, whether it be a home or a restaurant.



JENNIFER HENSE, AIA

Jen began her architectural career at BBA Architects in 1999 after graduating from Ball State University. In 2021, she joined Gary Beyerl and Ed Twohey in partnership to lead the firm. She has worked on an expansive range of projects from new construction to historic renovations during her tenure.

Growing up in Northern Indiana, Chicago was a promising destination for this aspiring architect from a young age. Her university internship program led Jen to the city and ultimately to BBA. She and her husband Kevin, also an architect, have lived across the city and suburbs and have recently returned to their alma mater to live and work remotely in Muncie, Indiana. Jen makes frequent visits to Chicago to meet at the firm's studio and project sites.

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