

Superior Qualifications of AIA Licensed Architects

- 4-year college degree + 2-3 years of graduate school.
- 3-5 year internship
- Successful completion of rigorous licensing examination.
- Continuing education requirements equaling over 20 hours each year.



Design And Aesthetics: Making It All Look A Step Above

- Locate and orient your house to take advantage of your site and views.
- Shape your addition to compliment the existing house and context.
- Principles of good design include balance, rhythm and proportion.
- Use efficient space planning methods to achieve well organized spaces that effectively meet the client's needs.
- Use materials to reinforce design concepts and style.
- Provide design work in a timely fashion while meeting the client's design goals.

Assistance Specifying Unique Materials For Your Project

- Architect will evaluate which materials are ideally suited to your project.
- Architect will specify selected materials to guarantee quality and performance you want.
- Green products, energy efficient strategies, and healthy buildings.

Accurate Construction Drawings Pay For Themselves

- Accuracy of drawings may prevent costly construction change orders.
- Comprehensive drawings enable you to obtain comparable bids.
- Make sure your architect prepares & reviews your drawings thoroughly prior to stamping them.



Collaboration with your Contractor & Skilled Craftsmen

- Architect may involve Contractor or Craftsman during design phases.
- Architect may identify Contractor ideally suited for your project.
- Architect may offer creative and code-compliant solutions to changes during construction phase.

Fees & Services: You can't afford NOT To Hire an AIA Architect

- Architectural fees vary depending on the level of service your project demands.
- Schematic design: determine shell of house and configuration of interior spaces.
- Design development: evolution & coordination of site, architectural, structural, mechanical, electrical and plumbing design.
- Construction Documentation: detailing building components and specification of materials suitable for permit and bids.
- Construction phase: professional and independent administration of the construction contract.



Houses shown in this brochure were designed by local AIA Architects,
List available upon request

WHY YOU SHOULD HIRE AN AIA ARCHITECT



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