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## rchitecture and Conservation... Sharing your love of the urban environment

**It is rare that you can create something vital and new without destroying the old. But, that is the mission of Architecture and Conservation, to work with existing buildings and neighborhoods and create new and exciting homes for our clients.**

Architecture and Conservation is an Oak Park/Chicago-based architectural office. We share with our clients a special sense of responsibility:

- ◆ First, a responsibility to the resident or residents. To consider that a home is a place for *living*: and to make every aspect of the structure a nurturing environment for those who dwell there.
- ◆ Second, a responsibility to the neighborhood. To consider the context of the site and the community, and to ensure that any construction adds value to not just your home, but those next door as well.
- ◆ Third, a responsibility to the history of the building. We preserve and restore wherever possible, and use modern methods to give new life to materials whose character and charm are still intact.

We have experience in historic preservation, single-family and multi-unit dwellings.

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## rchitecture and Conservation Principal Architect: Christopher Goode

Award-winning architect Christopher Goode has long been concerned with the conservation of the city: the maintenance and continuation of existing patterns and simultaneous development of new urban architecture and systems.

A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, Goode has worked with Skidmore, Owings and Merrill, and Chicago Associates Planners and Architects. In addition, he has taught architecture at Triton College, Kent State University in Ohio and Wentworth Institute of Technology in Boston.

Since 1984, Goode has been associated with Architects, Designers and Planners for Social Responsibility, a national organization concerned with peace, environmental and social concerns.

Goode is a member of the Association of Licensed Architects, the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the Chicago Architectural Club.

*Please call at your earliest convenience for a free consultation.*

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## ow to get the home you truly want



- ◆ Weighing the benefits of an architect-designed home
- ◆ Communicating with homebuilding professionals
- ◆ Managing a project and a budget

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## an you afford to build without an architect?

For most families, a home is the biggest investment they will ever make. In addition to a sizable *financial* investment, your home will be the focal point of your family for years to come, shaping the way you grow and interact with one another.

Just like a shoe that pinches, a home that "isn't quite right" will remind you again and again of how every detail counts.

Architects are specialists of the details ... without losing sight of the "big picture." An architect is the Master Builder who remembers to make the dining room fit a favorite table, a home planning expert who looks beyond lumber and bricks to make a building fit a family and a neighborhood.

## When every dollar counts

An architect takes your hopes and dreams and turns them into plans — plans that a builder can understand and discuss. That means you can get meaningful competitive bids from different contractors. Since it's all down in black and white, you won't be "comparing apples to oranges."

Architecture and Conservation specializes in homebuilding and renovation. By keeping abreast of the latest construction technologies and materials, they can design a home that is sensitive to your wishes and your budget. And, they can work with you to select and manage the builder who actually completes your home.

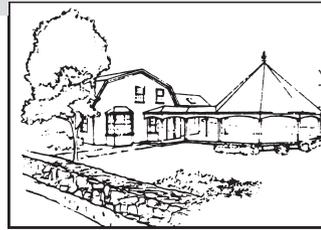
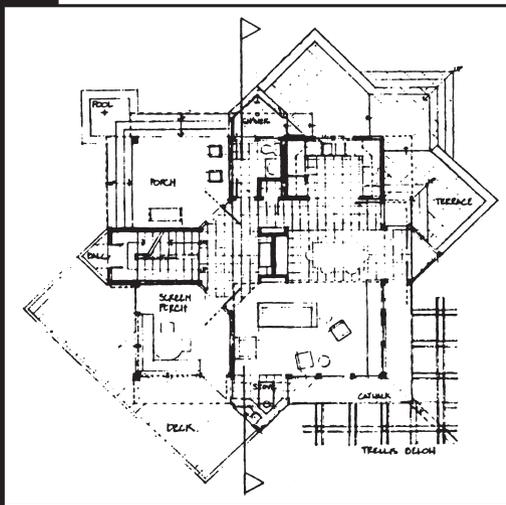
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## ount on our experience

When you work with an architect, you'll know what to expect at every stage of the construction process. Architecture and Conservation will provide you with a budget and a schedule that will help you arrange financing and coordinate the entire project.

That's particularly important when you plan to live in your home through all or part of the construction. We know that even a minor home improvement can be a major disruption!

We are familiar with the many different building types and materials that have been used in the history of the Chicago area. We can often help you save money by calling on specialists in repairing old construction instead of replacing it with new, often inferior, work. In addition, we ensure that work will not be delayed because of building permits or questions of code.



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## hat to expect from Architecture and Conservation:

- 1) **Preliminary Meetings.** Our first meeting will be free, a chance to meet one another and discuss the project, your budget, and our capabilities. Further meetings will outline what you need and hope for in your home.
- 2) **Presentation of Ideas.** It's easier to talk about something when it's on paper; we'll show some rough solutions, giving you a further chance to direct the project.
- 3) **Design Development.** We prepare scale drawings showing the work to be done. You have a chance to select building materials and appliances, and to see how buildings and rooms will look when complete.
- 4) **Construction Documents.** These are detailed drawings and specifications which the contractor will use to prepare a bid. These documents become part of the building contract.
- 5) **Hiring the Contractor.** We'll work with you to hire the contractor who can complete the work competently and at a price you can afford. We'll assist you in evaluating the bids and preparing the final contract.
- 6) **Construction Administration.** We can follow the entire construction project for you, with on-site visits and inspections, to make sure the final work is right. We can also review the contractor's billing and keep you informed on job progress.

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## rchitecture and Conservation works to create structures that are socially, aesthetically, technically and monetarily responsible.

The cost of a building should be measured, not just in the money it costs to build it, but also in the materials and energy it takes to build, and the waste materials generated by the construction process. Our goal is environmentally sound and sustainable architecture. Creating buildings that allow for more ease of adaptation without destruction can lengthen the useful life of a building, and add more value to the construction process.

We try in all of our projects to create places where people will come together. Porches, living and dining rooms and large kitchens belong to the whole family. The aim of the architect is to create a space that suits the individuals who live there, where they can gather and find community.

Likewise, a house or building is part of its street and neighborhood, and should support a sense of community in how it reaches out and connects to its context.

