

2008 Institute Honor Awards for Interior Architecture

Project Private Residence – Northfield, Illinois

Architect Roszak/ADC – Evanston, Illinois

Owner Thomas A. Roszak – Northfield, Illinois

Notes of Interest

The design objective in terms of societal advancement was to build a house for a young family with three kids, looking forward in terms of how people live today. The residence experiments with transparency and reflectivity, removing borders and edges from outside to inside the house, and really depicts “flowing and endless space.” It likewise depicts transparency for society, making this an illustration of how people use their home now.

Jury Comments

The transparency from the outside in and the inside out is a strong design concept. Not only does transparency unite the functional space of the floor plan with the environment, it informs the canvas about the use of color—the yellow structure, red core walls, and cherry floors tie directly to the seasonal vegetation, bringing the landscape into play as design elements.



Additional Credits

Associate Firm: Wallin/Gomez Architects, Ltd. – Chicago

Engineer: Matsen Ford Design – Pewaukee, Wisconsin

General Contractor: Roszak/ADC – Evanston, Illinois

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