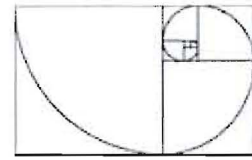


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Lakeside Residence, Lyme, CT

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Models, models, models... there is no better method for design exploration and study, no clearer way to convey a design to a client, and no substitute for propelling that design through a bureaucratic approval process than the creation of a model. This has been successfully demonstrated in much of our recent work. We have had the pleasure of working on some complex, contemporary designs that, sans three-dimensional representation, may well have faltered somewhere along the path to construction.

Sustainable architecture seeks to minimize the negative environmental impact of buildings through efficiency and moderation in the use of materials, energy, and development space. We are currently using structural insulated panels on two projects and may also employ insulated concrete forms for some of the foundation work. Both offer thermal advantages that conventional construction methods struggle to match. Be sure to check out our web site for featured projects and updates...

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*Warmest Regards,
Christopher Arelt, AIA*

i n t h e g r o u n d . . .

Visitors to the Seabawk Winery in Stonington remark on the abstract beauty of the entry courtyard, featuring an inspired, minimalist garden. The interior lobby transports oenophiles to another world via a barrel-vaulted mahogany lobby.

Outbuildings can create visual interest. A courtyard-shaped barn complex in Lyme contains a full-service shop, vehicle storage, potting shed and greenhouse.

A waterfront village home in Essex continues to evolve through the addition of a handsome entry and interior accents.

o n t h e b o a r d s . . .

Copper Gate Village is an adult community consisting of 22 condominium units and clubhouse, the first of its kind in a Victorian section of Ansonia.

Another contemporary project, the Meier House in Essex, will feature many of the products mentioned elsewhere in this newsletter, including concrete floors, anigre and mahogany cabinetry, and a concrete island.

A renovation in New York City for former clients...

A modern design for a seasonal cottage on Bashan Lake in East Haddam features a floating, butterfly roof that appears to take off into the sky and a three-story wall of glass for unimpeded water views (see below).



p r o d u c t s & s e r v i c e s . . .

Tulikivi Soapstone Stoves Warm your house using significantly less firewood by taking advantage of the unique thermal retention properties of soapstone. It's also one of the most beautiful types of stone. www.tulikivi.com



products & services...

Anigre A light-toned wood with dramatic highlights, this species is a great choice for a bright, contemporary kitchen.

Concrete micro toppings If you love the look of decorative concrete, please know that new products are available which allow for installation over new or existing floors in thicknesses of as little as 1/16", and with a range of appearances limited only by the imagination. www.duraamen.com

Structural Insulated Panels Buildings can be erected faster and with superior energy-efficiency using these factory-fabricated panels that come in sizes as large as 8'X24'. They also boast superior structural features that address wind and other loads and are a growing trend in construction. www.insulspan.com

Acoustical Plaster applied over rigid foam insulation, this product allows for sound attenuation without visual disruption in a space for music or theater experience. www.fellertusa.com

press...

River & Shore Summer '09: Arelt hardscape

Shoreline Newspapers:

"Fresh Concepts, familiar setting"
a family-friendly renovation in Old Greenwich
"Pools, Pools, Pools"
advice on placement, size and so on
"The Full Frontal Garage"
architectural tips on a suburban staple



Fresh concepts, familiar setting



out and about...

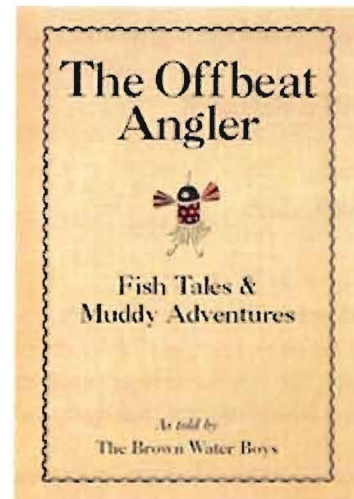
Spring '09: A trip down south included a stop at Thomas Jefferson's Charlottesville home, Monticello, as well as colonial Williamsburg. We were struck by the siting of the former, in which a hilltop was essentially sliced off to create a plateau with a spectacular 360 degree view.



Aerial view of Monticello

Summer '09: The Schaedler House on Cedar Lake was part of the Annual Chester Home Tour. The owners have done a splendid job furnishing and accenting the distinctive interior spaces.

Christopher Arelt signed copies of his book, "The Offbeat Angler," at the Hitchery Bookstore in Chester as part of a Local Authors series.



and coming soon...

Fine Homebuilding: Arelt front door
Beautiful Kitchens and Baths: bath in Lyme

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