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"Inspired Living Places"

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Minneapolis, Minnesota --What do a glass cube, an urban condominium, black sheds and an Art Deco villa have in common? They represent a sample of the many residential-architecture projects featured in the latest edition of *Architecture Minnesota* magazine. The May-June edition of the award-winning magazine, published by the American Institute of Architects Minnesota, focuses on "home" in its myriad of forms—whether cabin, condo, house or live-work space—as well as the value of working with a residential architect.

Titled "Inspired Living Places," the magazine is full of terrific housing ideas, including:

- A downtown condo transformed into a loft-like space using a palette of rich materials and furnishings;
- A historic Mediterranean villa-style home with a sumptuous, elegant, yet homey Art Deco addition;
- A model cottage-style home that blends contemporary living spaces with charming traditional detailing;
- A former automotive-repair shop converted into a home and two studios for an artistic couple;
- Three Modernist cabins: the Glass Cube by eminent architect of the International Style, Ralph Rapson, FAIA; Two Black Sheds by the internationally renowned architect, David Salmela, FAIA; and a delightful, multipurpose foldaway retreat by young architect Anne Ryan, AIA, and her husband, Bryan Meyer;
- A guide to updating split-level houses.

Also included in the magazine is an interview with Sarah Susanka, AIA, author of the *Not So Big House* series books, and a well-known residential architect and housing advocate. Susanka talks about her new book, *Home by Design*, as well as her concept of "the architects' toolbox." In addition, the magazine includes a step-by-step guide to working with an architect, which explains how to choose an architect, what to expect during the different stages of the building process, fees, licensure and the roles of those involved in a home project.

A directory of more than 260 AIA Minnesota architectural firms, as well as an index of the firms by building type, completes the issue; the directory is a helpful tool for anyone— from homeowner to corporate CEO—looking to hire a Minnesota architect.

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