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1,700 square feet

**Single Family
Residential
Renovation
Restoration**

The design objectives for the renovation were to increase the footprint of the home, maximize natural light, and maximize interior open space with aesthetics in contemporary architecture. The challenge of the limited width of the home introduced unique and carefully planned design elements to fulfill the openness and lighting environment at the center of the home, or better known as, The Focus. By positioning large skylights, a glass floor, and a wide, open-riser staircase next to the exposed brick wall, these elements create the lightwell at The Focus and blends with the soft, indirect light admitted through the floor-to-ceiling windows at the Northern façade.

At the exterior, the rear façade gave ample opportunity for a new contemporary design. The use of warm-toned brick and wood elements were arranged vertically and proportionally wed with horizontal bands at each floor. In contrast, the front façade was honored and earned new fenestration and a custom door, with a special design to mirror the concept and finishes of the interior and rear façade.

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