

Cream of the Cream City Awards



ERIC VOGEL AND MEGAN HOLBROOK

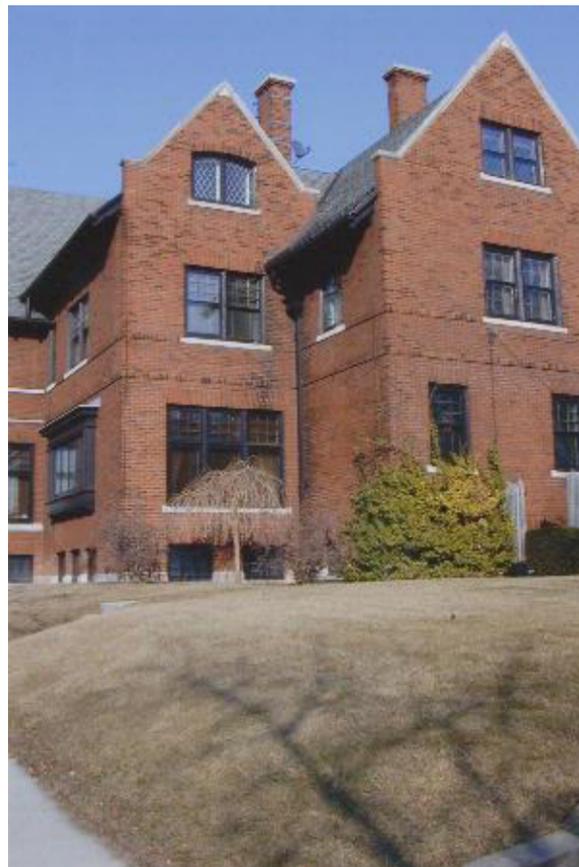


FRANK WARD SMITH HOUSE (1905)

2405 EAST WYOMING PLACE
SENSITIVE ADDITION



old beauty



yard space before addition

Planning and executing an addition to an Alexander Eschweiler-designed house can be tricky. How can you stay true to the master's vision and yet add space that accommodates modern living? And how can you do that under the watchful eyes of your neighbors who all hold their historic district in the highest esteem? Not to mention that the house sits at a prominent corner for many to see. Those were the challenges faced by owners Eric Vogel and Megan Holbrook. An addition could be accommodated on their lot and numerous neighboring houses had been enlarged over the last century. So the task was not impossible, but very daunting. Many working sessions were held between the architects, the owners, and preservation staff to iron out matters of setback, scale, windows, brick and massing. The process was not rushed and the end result shows it. The careful touches to the addition, including the windows, roofline and offset from the original house, would make Eschweiler proud.



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