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38 Spatial Inc. is a collaboration of young, talented architects and designers. The firm founded in 2009, conceived by Alexander D. Barrett, managing the efforts of two offices, Jackson Butler of Marin, practicing architect for 20 years and head of the design team, Michael Roche of San Francisco with twelve years of design experience. With office presence in St. Helena and New York City, 38 Spatial is a full service architecture and design firm specializing in contemporary residential and commercial projects. Regardless of budget or scale, buildings are for people and it is in our core belief that every contribution to the built environment should be thoughtful and purposeful. It is our goal to provide seamless client service through the often times chaotic process of making spaces real places. Our projects aspire to enrich one's experience of space, light, context, materials and craftsmanship through the experience of architecture. Driven by content and context, each commission is designed with a sensitive regard to both site and function, coupling thoughtful design with today's technology. From foundation to finish, from preliminary design sketches to post occupancy satisfaction; we believe every detail is important. Innovation and quality, without loss of a contextual reference, is our principle concern. Whether an interior renovation or new construction, 38 Spatial, Inc. delivers efficient, cost effective, creative, turn key services.





The Loft new york, ny





This space consist of 1700 square feet of area with ten to twelve foot ceilings. The location of the structural and mechanical systems of the apartment had already been fixed by it's existing conditions. The space composed of a rectangular floor plan with the north wall filled with full length windows. Conceptually, the client wanted an open floor plan to allow guests the ability to view the New York cityscape from all rooms. The use of "smart glass" allowed guest the entire viewing potential and provided privacy when needed by bedroom occupants.















cdps palm springs, ca

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Water is the essential element of desert living. Its relationship to the body through visual, auditory, and sensual experiences is the core idea of this residence. This residence also recognizes the human body's geometric relationship to the desert's horizontality, just as the desert's landscape collides with the surrounding mountains, creating dramatic visual tension.

A further important consideration is an awareness of the sun's path over the site, which is critical in understanding natural passive heating and cooling systems.

Finally, this residence offers the simultaneous experience of indoor and outdoor space, creating an expanded







sense of living.









pollen8, dhsl desert hot springs, ca





Continuing with the desert concept, this developer home communes with nature through its connection to the site and views as well as its use of building materials.

The building orientation to views and the suns path lend itself to indoor and outdoor living with expansive folding doors which open to gardens and water. The entire home is built with structural insulated panels (sip) which gives a high value of insulation for the desert climate.















rvp san anselmo, ca





This new office space was design to meet the client's wishes to reinvent the idea of wealth management, from conventional to a more contemporary design, as well as creating a space for local artist to use as gallery exhibits.

Located in an existing building in San Anselmo, the 1500 square foot space was sectioned off into three zones, entry and meeting, files and open work space. The entry sequence offers exhibit display walls leading the visitors to the greeting area and conference room. The conference room is set up to be flexible in use, either open to the work space of closed using movable "barn doors", thus giving a sense of openness of a gallery and privacy for meetings.















sunset santa monica, ca

publications:

"west coast rooms": rockport publishing

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The core design idea for this remodel/addition utilizes the full potential of the tiered site though access to exterior spaces, indoor/outdoor relationships and by creating the perception of space through the collection of memories.

The design introduces landscape as the key feature though the use of trellis', courtyards, sundecks, gardens and the waterfall koi pond. These features act as "memory anchors": elements which are initially engaged along the circulation path, then give the perception of space by revisiting the same element from different vantage points. The pond is experienced along the entry stairs, reappears from the living, master and again from the upper sundeck. The wooden trellis is used at the front entry and again in the interior along the family room garden looking glass to reinforce its connection to the exterior. The trellis is found again on the sundeck, grounding the space as one views far off Catalina Island.









