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Larchmont House Larchmont, N.Y.

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CITATION RENOVATION

The clients loved the site in this New York suburb, but the ranch-style house didn't suit them at all. To provide the setting the couple wanted for their growing family (and growing art collection), they commissioned New York-based Andrew Berman. Zoning restrictions and the need to optimize the budget dictated that Berman work within the existing footprint, with the exception of some small areas at the back of the house that were removed or added. The garage and the front entrance remain in their original locations. In the living room, the fireplace is still front and center, but the height of the space has doubled, with generous daylight entering from a long clerestory. Otherwise, the interior has been almost entirely reconfigured, and additional space for bedrooms has been created with a partial second-floor addition. Three children's rooms form a line like those often found in mid-century modern houses. And the architect is now designing an addition, as both the family and the art collection continue to grow. Juror Joel Sanders observed that the architect "really transformed the house for 21st-century lifestyle," and showed that such a transformation "doesn't have to be wacky," as juror Josh Shelton termed it, or overwhelming to the neighborhood. —J.M.D.

Architect Andrew Berman Architect, New York—Andrew Berman, FAIA **Project Size** 6,000 square feet **Construction Cost** Withheld



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