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Project Title: Restoration/ Renovation of and Additions to Historic Foxhall Farm House

Location: Harwood, MD

Date of Completion: May 2022

Project Statement (150 words max):

This project is a single-family home, resulting from the restoration of, and addition to Foxhall Farm House, an important 1830 dwelling on a rural site in Anne Arundel County, Maryland. All of the principles of the AIA Framework For Design Excellence were integrated into the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Historic Preservation and Rehabilitation.

The Foxhall Farm House is a three-bay, two-and-one-half story, side-passage, load-bearing masonry dwelling that was listed with the Maryland Historical Trust in 2005. The house underwent an extensive remodeling in the mid-to-late twentieth century and was no longer in use.

The owner's program centered on the removal of all inappropriate elements from these previous renovations, as well as the rehabilitation of the existing structure, and the addition of a new family room and kitchen.

Design Narrative: How does this project address Design for Integration, Wellbeing, and Discovery? (150 words max)

We began by addressing previous alterations including window openings and partitions that had been modified, replacement windows that were installed, trim that was replaced, and a kitchen addition that had been constructed. This work included the removal and rehabilitation of all salvageable historic fabric combined with the replacement-in-kind of all deteriorated elements. All masonry was repointed to remedy the deterioration of the brick. A deteriorating roof was replaced with an historically appropriate slate roof.

The addition connects to the historic dwelling through a one-story gallery. The second section of the addition is a gable-roofed structure that houses the family room with a masonry chimney that echoes those of the historic house. The final element of the addition is a hipped-roof structure that houses the kitchen. Through the use of these forms in brick and wood, these additions display the historic standard of being "clearly distinguishable while being compatible".

Community Engagement: How does this project address Design for Equitable Communities and Economy? (150 words max)

Many sites in rural Anne Arundel County have been redeveloped with large speculative homes that greatly alter the character of landscape. With its prominent location, the existing deteriorated Foxhall Farm House was a well-known building. The restoration of, and addition to Foxhall Farm

House demonstrates the alternate approach of reinforcing the building and landscape history of these rural community sites.

Sustainability and Resilience: How does this project address Design for Ecosystems, Water, Energy, Resources, and Change? (150 words max)

Included in all new work was the integration of modern methods of construction, waterproofing, insulation and HVAC systems with the Secretary of the Interior's standards for Historic Preservation and Rehabilitation. Through the use of a new geothermal heating and cooling system, the efficiency of the main structure is greatly increased without requiring exterior condensing units. All water from the building and site is directed into a new man-made pond where it is redistributed to irrigate the rural property.

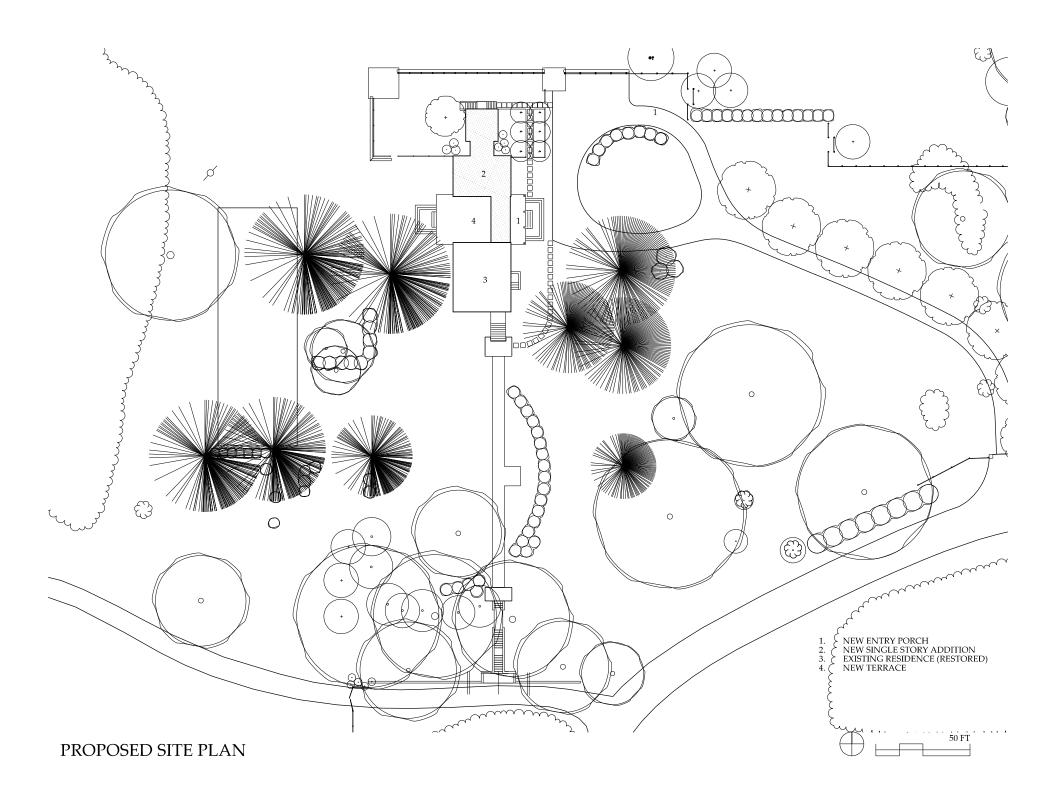
While presently being used as a personal residence, the Foxhall Farm House plays an important role as a landmark in the community that can also be opened for visits by the general public. Through both of these purposes, Foxhall Farm House demonstrates the successful combination of historic preservation with the AIA Framework for Design Excellence.

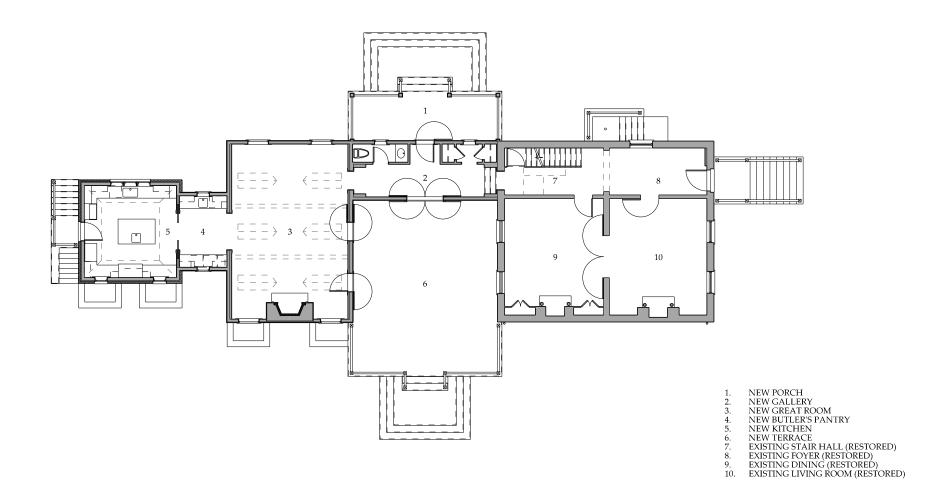
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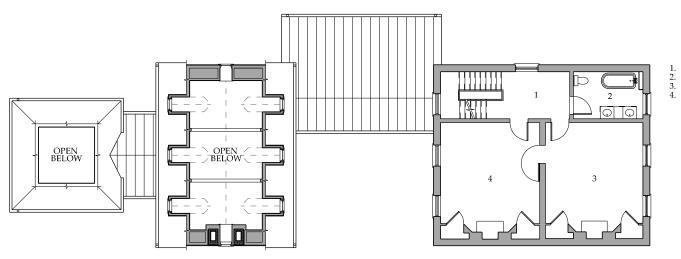
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RESTORED SOUTH FACADE

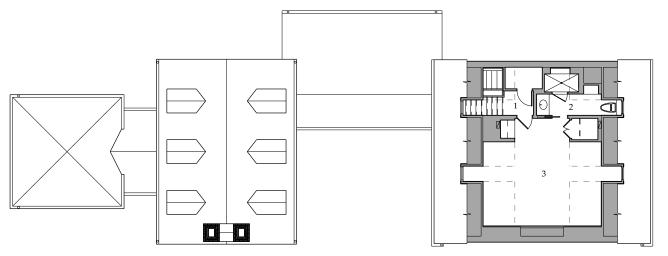






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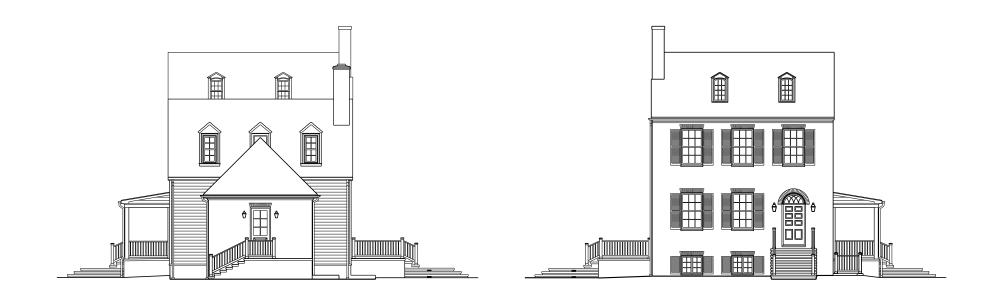


- EXISTING STAIR HALL (RESTORED) EXISTING BATH 2 (RESTORED) EXISTING BEDROOM 3 (RESTORED)



PROPOSED EAST ELEVATION





PROPOSED NORTH ELEVATION

PROPOSED SOUTH ELEVATION



EXISTING EAST FACADE



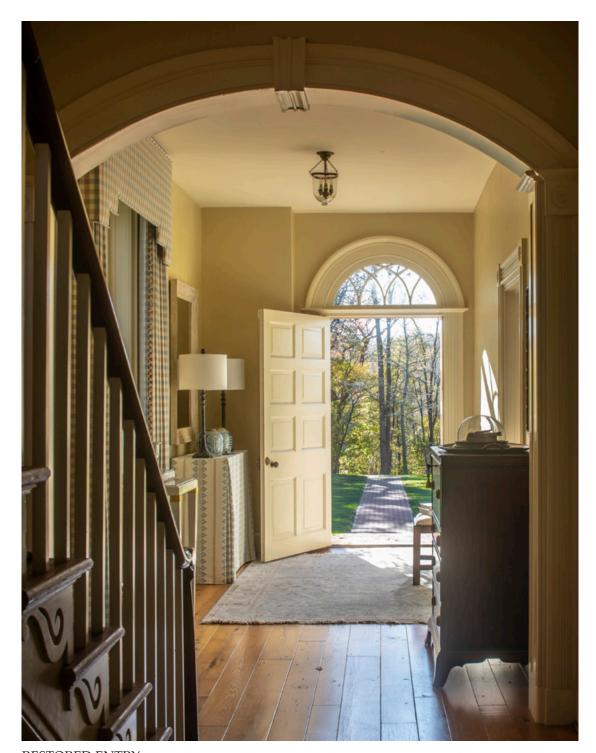




EXISTING WEST FACADE WITH KITCHEN

EXISTING KITCHEN



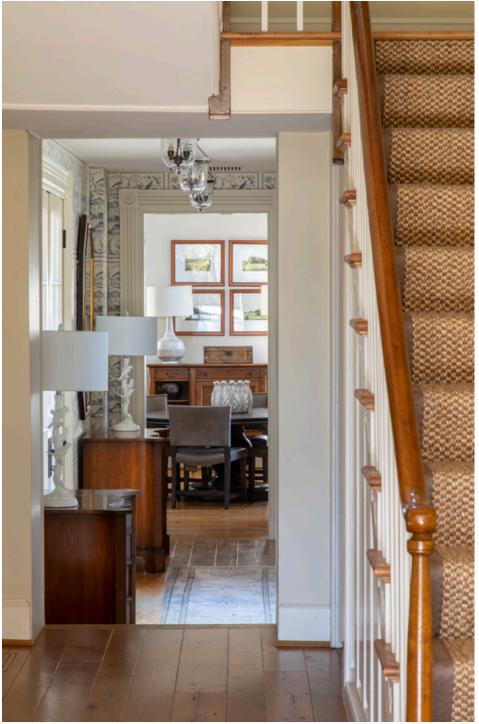


RESTORED ENTRY









EXISTING STAIRHALL WITH KITCHEN BEYOND

RESTORED STAIRHALL WITH ADDITION BEYOND



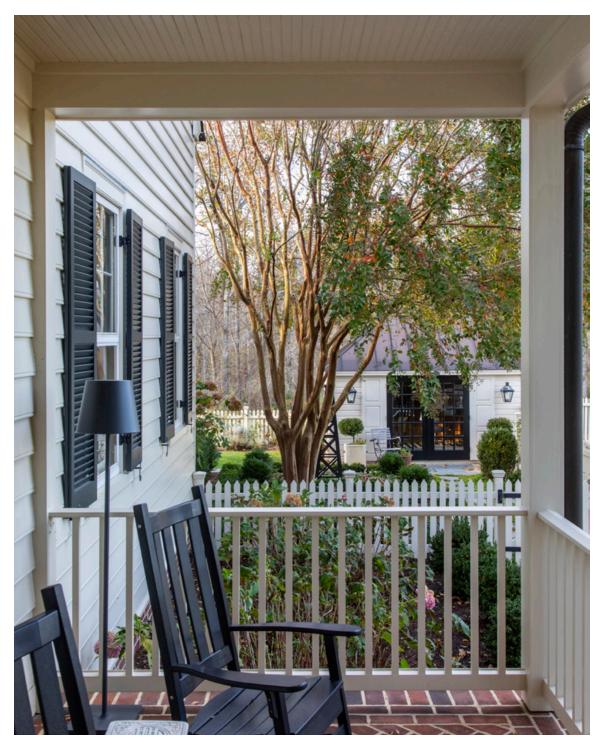
NEW FAMILY ROOM



NEW KITCHEN



RESTORED BEDROOM WITH ADDITION BEYOND



NEW SIDE ENTRY PORCH WITH GARDEN SHED BEYOND

