



North Vancouver, BC:

This project, a new residence for one of the Principals in the firm, arose due to a fire which destroyed the previous house on the site. The new house is sited on the property to retain a large tulip tree and a wider western side yard affording views to English Bay and Vancouver Island. The main living functions are located on the upper level to take advantage of these views. The breakfast room and master bedroom step down to a rear garden and terrace. The lower level contains childrens' bedrooms and a family area which open onto lower terraces in the side and side yards.

The main living spaces are combined into one large volume with exposed framing adjacent to clerestory windows. A large corner window seat opens the living area to the front and side yards. Rainwater is collected from the roofs above and is directed to specific points into the gardens below. The concrete entry wall has been shaped to direct rainwater down to the spot where the fire began that destroyed the original house.