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Design Evanston is a non-profit design advocacy group made up of Architects, Urban Designers, Planners, Landscape Architects, Graphic and Interior Designers.

Design Evanston seeks to recognize, encourage and facilitate the achievement of good design in the Evanston community.

Past projects include;

Assisted the City in drafting the design and competition guidelines for the Evanston Public Library Design competition

Assisted the City in creating Design Charrette sessions for Church Street Plaza

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Pro-bono design services

Research of Binding Appearance Review Guidelines and advisement to the Plan Commission

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Award Process

4 month nomination period all Design Evanston members participate

Design Evanston meeting to review and vote on nominees that go to jury

Jury selection

Design Evanston members:

Guest Juror:

Jury deliberations and site visits

Awards given to “Owners” Owners are the initial motivators and facilitators for good design projects.

Owners choose the professionals that produce the project and Owners determine the budgets.



Design Evanston Awards Criteria

1. Nominee must be representative of a high quality of design in relation to the category within which it was nominated.
2. Nominee may be an example of a strong commitment on the part of the Owner, City Agency, Community Groups, etc. to produce a better than average high quality project.
3. The nominee represents a strong commitment on the part of the Owner or Developer to improve the quality of the neighborhood, especially a socio-economically challenged one.
4. In the context of signage, the nominee represents a high quality design that is sensitive to the inherent quality of the structure it identifies and the requirements of the Evanston Signage Ordinance.
5. Small, humble projects must be given equal consideration with larger more “glamorous” projects.



Rehabilitation/Renovation Landscape Architecture Signage

The Cradle

2049 Ridge Avenue

*A holistic approach to site
and structure modification...
an ambitious program of
renovation , landscape and
signage, deftly accomplished.
Details, details, wonderful
details!*

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New Construction

Interior Design

World Savings and Loan

Evanston Center on Howard Street

*Facing off big box retailers,
the structure establishes its
own sense of place...interior
extends this unique image
for a financial facility.
Evocative of classical forms
yet modern and whimsical.*

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Urban Design

Chandler Building

Sherman Avenue and Davis Street

*The developer and the City
generously made the gift of
this new urban space to the
people of Evanston.
Hooray!! Finally an
attractive solution to what
was a community eyesore.*

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Urban Design

CTA Rail Viaduct

Clark Street at Benson Avenue

*Exemplifying the possible,
this handsomely detailed
CTA viaduct sets a high
standard for transportation
infrastructure as part of
urban design.*

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Landscape Architecture

CTA Rail Embankment

Benson Avenue

Between Church and Emerson Streets

This landscape extension of CTA station improvements gives Benson Street the dignity of an urban address, exemplifying public investment in support of downtown development.

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Rehabilitation/Renovation

Central Street Metra Station

Central Street at Green Bay Road

*A sensitive restoration
acknowledging the important
continuing role of commuter
rail in Evanston. The station
is a visible anchor to this
neighborhood.
Handicapped accessibility is
attractively integrated.*

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Landscape Architecture

Metra/Union Pacific

Rail Embankment

Green Bay Road Corridor

Unifying design makes rail embankment slopes a visual asset...defines Evanston through this major corridor. Strong, repeating design elements utilize native plants for high amenity and modest maintenance.



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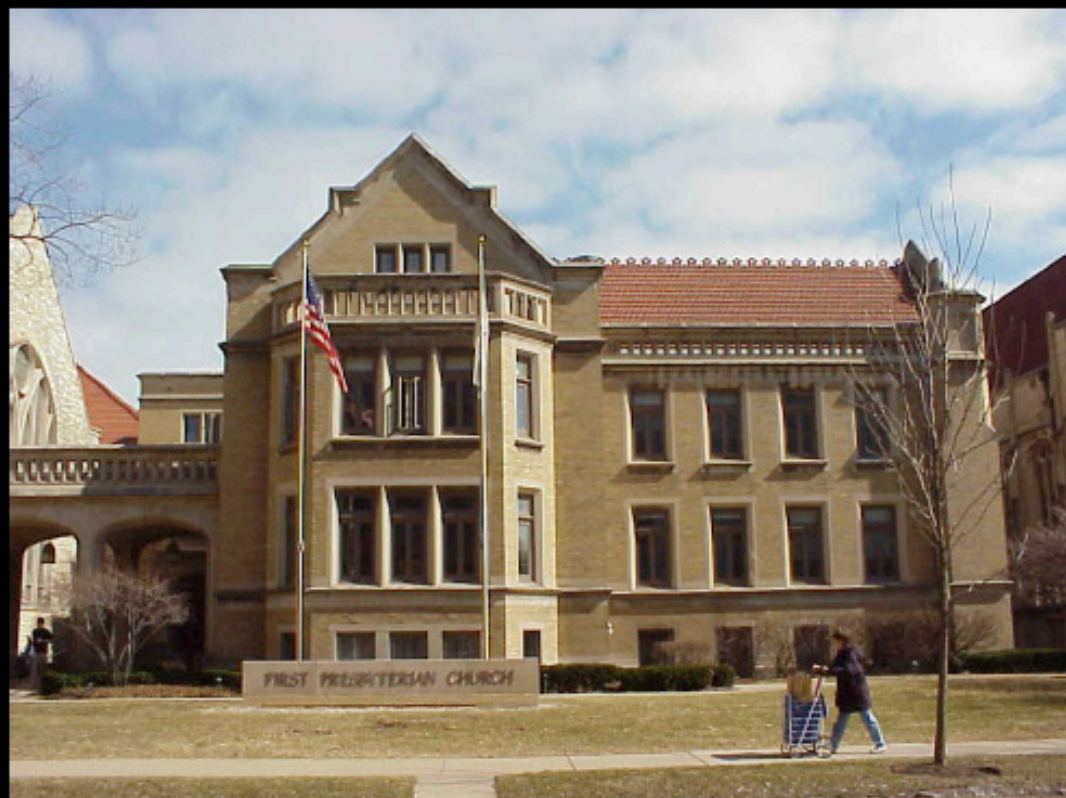
Window Replacement First Presbyterian Church

Chicago Avenue at Lake Street

A window restoration that is truly sensitive to the existing building... We applaud the commitment to maintaining integrity of the facade.

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Landscape Architecture

Sheil Catholic Center

Bell Tower Garden

2110 Sheridan Road

*Spectacularly understated,
a bell tower as garden
sculpture... nicely realized!*

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New Construction

Sommer-Seabury Hall Addition

Seabury Western

Theological Seminary

600 Haven Street

A seamless infill between two historic buildings, completely faithful to original materials and design.

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New Construction

Technological Institute

Mechanical Penthouse Addition

Northwestern University

2145 Sheridan Road

Noteworthy for sensitivity to the existing building, this addition houses mechanical systems “often found just plopped on the roof.”

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New Construction

Allison Hall Cafeteria Addition

Northwestern University

1820 N. Chicago Avenue

*Imaginatively conceived and
neatly executed... a smartly
stated answer to a mundane
building requirement.*

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New Construction

Mary & Leigh Block Museum of Art Addition

Northwestern University

1967 South Campus Drive

*Fabulous use of materials...
congenial to neighboring
Pick Staiger Hall...vistas
through adjacent campus are
maintained and enhanced.*

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New Construction

Clybourn Financial Building

2930 Central Street

*Sensitivity to neighborhood
context make this a winner!*

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New Construction

Condominium Residence

Elmwood Avenue and Grove Street

*WOW! A refreshing housing
option.*

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Adaptive Re-Use

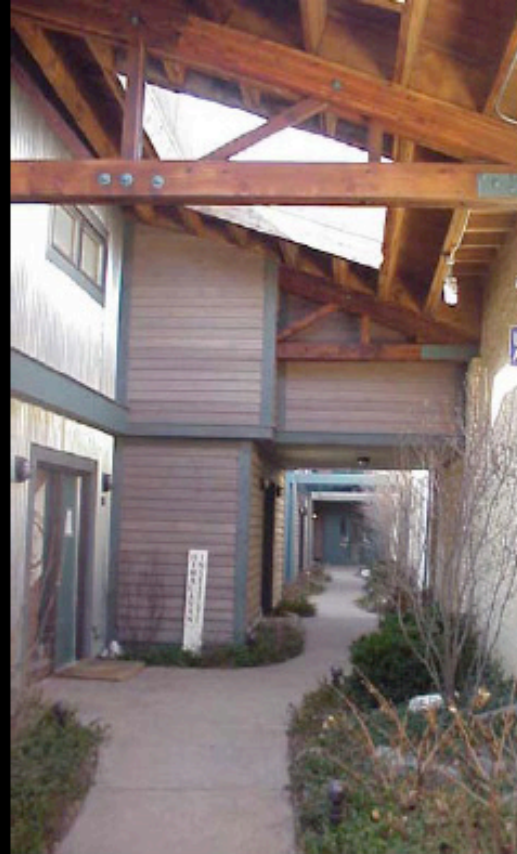
Peacock Lofts

2144 Ashland Avenue

Outstanding re-use of an old factory... a gem to be discovered...great inner common spaces... a new presence on this street. Wonderful, whimsical artistic details!

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Rehabilitation/Renovation Signage

Main Street Newsstand

Main Street at Chicago Avenue

*Relighting of its historic
neon sign signals the return
to life of this news stand.
Back by popular request at a
busy corner with extensive
redevelopment.*

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Signage

Evanshire Hotel Retail Awnings

500-514 Main Street & 860 Hinman

*Sensitively added awnings
unify this retail streetscape
without detracting from the
building's terra cotta façade.*

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Signage

Guitar Works

709 Main Street

Lovely detail...the sign is a piece of sculpture on the historic facade.

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New Construction

Osco Drug Store

430 Asbury

A great use of materials...nicely articulated and activated façade...building type usually receives no thought- this is not a blank box! A victory for community input in the design process!

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Interior Design

Bar Louie

Sherman Avenue and Grove Street

A vibrant interior, fitted to the space challenges of this corner lot... lively and flowing, from varied seating options to visually ornate details.

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Interior Design

Peet's Coffee & Tea House

1622 Chicago Avenue

*Well composed, serene,
nicely detailed-from wall
finishes to display cases... a
new gathering place!*

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Interior Design

Lake Street Church

Lake Street and Chicago Avenue

Extensive refurbishment with careful reference to color and contrast. A warm, inviting, embracing environment.

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Interior Design

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

1509 Ridge Avenue

Restoration completed in the context of recommitment... handsomely and carefully detailed as part of an overall program. Excellent use of up-lighting raises the visual spirit of the space and doesn't detract from ornamental detail of historic light fixtures.

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