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Jurors:
Peter Chapman, Executive Editor, Taunton Press, Newtown
McKee Patterson, AIA, Austin Patterson Disston Architects, Southport
John Tittmann, AIA, Albert Righter & Tittmann Architects, Boston

New Construction

Cottage at Extown Farm, New Canaan, CT
David D. Harlan Architects, New Haven, CT

Jury comments: The jury liked the sense of place, which felt like a rural Connecticut farm house. This is a distinctly Connecticut vernacular structure, with simplicity and modesty. The farmhouse metaphor is successfully rendered, with its simple plan of one floor living and a core room. The open porch makes a nice relationship to the farmhouse surroundings.
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New Construction Honorable Mention

Cottage V5, Goodspeed Opera House, Haddam, CT
MAIER Design Group, LLC, Hartford, CT

Jury comments: In this budget conscious, yet thoughtful project, the building is appropriate as a stage set for actors. It creates a walkable community, with the town green as a metaphor, wherein one can imagine people populating the porches. The jury liked the scale of the buildings, but would have also liked to have known what the space within the crescent is like.
Jury comments: The jury liked the convincing transformation of the 1950’s spec house in an efficient, cost effective way. The renovation and addition respects its origins; the roof form held. The renovation barely changed the footprint while completely changing the image of the house so that it now reads as a rural farmhouse.
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Addition/Renovation Honorable Mention

Woodland Pavilion, addition to private residence, Stamford, CT
Point One Architects + Planners, LLC, Old Lyme, CT

Photographer: Courtesy of Point One Architects + Planners, LLC

Jury comments: The jury liked this addition that worked well with the original building: the architect used the flavor of the old to inform the new. The addition focused on the garden and has views in several directions. Details seem carefully and well resolved.
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Accessory Building (Addition) Honorable Mention

The New Summer House at Hillside Garden, Norfolk, CT
Aldridge & Tanno Architects, Norfolk, CT

Jury comments: The jury liked the simple clarity of the temple form which elevates the experience of sitting in the screen porch. The columns are nicely rendered.

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