

GREEN ROOFS, GARAGES, DECKS & PORCHES

NEW GREEN ROOF GARDEN ON 3 CAR GARAGE BUCKTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

This "intensive" roof garden was built on top of a new 3 car garage. The roof structure was constructed of a concrete-steel composite to minimize height and interior columns.

Due to the short lot depth, the garage filled the backyard and the the roof was the only place for landscaping. An intensive garden allowed for a variety of trees and shrubs providing privacy, shade and a bird habitat with beautiful colors and textures. The patio on the rooftop has brick pavers salvaged from the building when the front facade was rebuilt.

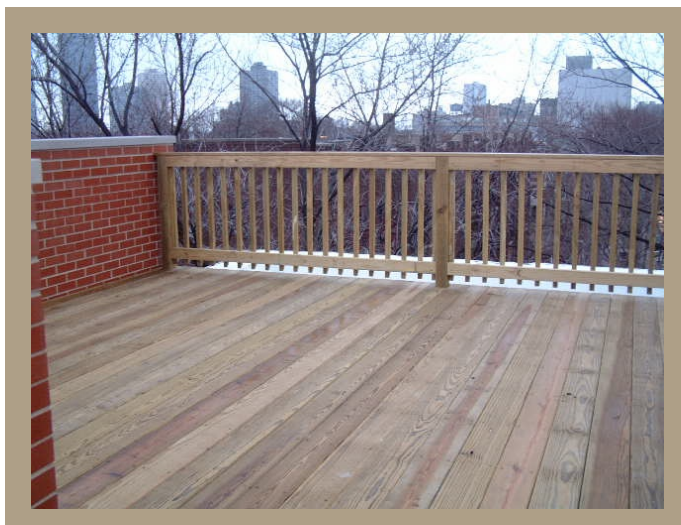
The project was awarded a green roof grant from the City of Chicago, Department of the Environment as part of its green roof program.

Paul Christianson Architect designed and built the project.



NEW ROOF DECK & PORCHES FOR 12 UNIT CONDOMINIUM BUILDING ANDERSONVILLE NEIGHBORHOOD, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

All 12 porches and 2 stairways were replaced for this condominium conversion. The roof top deck was added to take advantage of the open views to the east and south. Each of the individual porch areas was designed to be a very functional size, while keeping within challenging building and zoning requirement dimensions and setbacks.



NEW DECK FOR SINGLE FAMILY HOME BEVERLY SHORES, INDIANA

This large deck has a central masonry fire pit, multiple levels to create more intimate seating/gathering areas and work with the rising topography of the lot. The wide stair allows easy flow of movement from the yard to the deck. Benches and a grill around the perimeter are used in place of railings for a more open feeling.



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This octagon shaped deck has two smaller octagon shaped decks attached to it. One is used for a cooking area and the other will be used as a future gazebo.



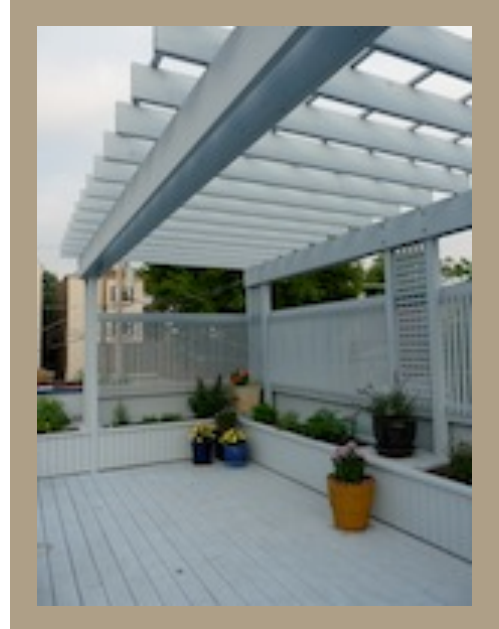
FRONT PORCH FOR SINGLE FAMILY HOME BUCKTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Front porches are a common feature on the street. The covered porch on this new home provides context to the neighboring homes with contemporary flair.



GARAGE ROOF DECK FOR SINGLE FAMILY HOME
BUCKTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

This stained cedar rooftop deck has built-in planters, privacy screening and a trellis to provide shade. The light color stain also helps to keep the deck cool.



REAR PORCH ON 2 UNIT RESIDENCE
BUCKTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

The owner wanted to allow for a future wood frame garage to be constructed behind this new porch. Due to the shallow lot, the garage would have to be built very close to the porch. If the porch were built with wood framing, the building code would not allow the garage to be built. Therefore, the porch was constructed with steel framing and painted green to blend with the wood trim on the building.

