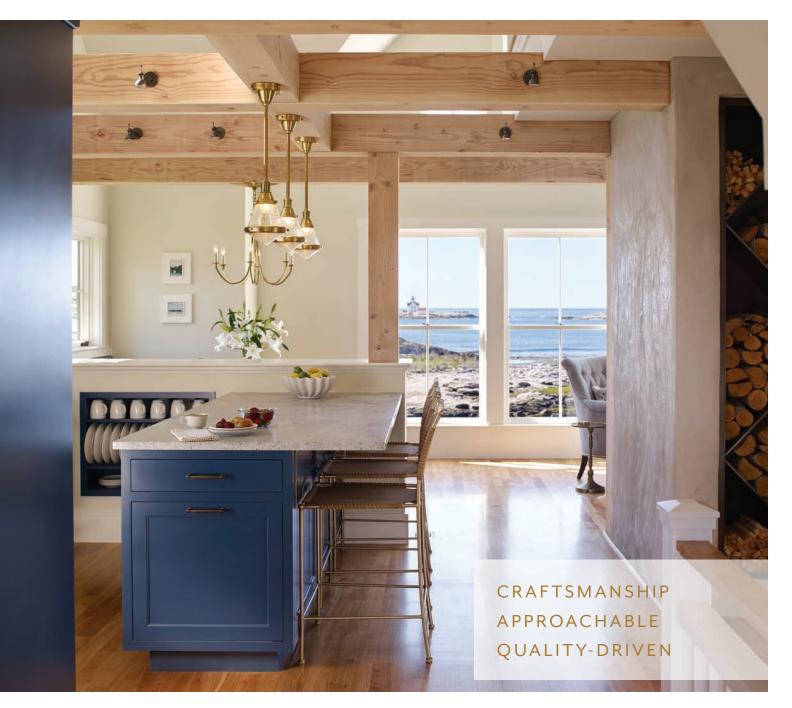


CELEBRATING 40 YEARS

+ THE LAUNCH OF OUR NEW WEBSITE:

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Welcome to knickerbockergroup.com ...where design meets the art of story.

After 40 years of designing, building and crafting custom houses and buildings throughout Maine, we have learned many important lessons. Good design starts with caring, thoughtfulness and attentive listening. We create client-driven designs that reflect our practice at listening. Our work is custom, because our clients are as diverse as the houses we build for them. Our houses are deeply personal to our clients and as such, our relationships with our clients are close and personal as well. Equally as important is the energy and excitement for the vision we create together, and being able to articulate that vision from the first program meeting to the last day on the construction site.

Our work is underscored by process-driven delivery—40 years and each time we strive to do it better. We guide our clients from start to finish, and find the best way to succeed is with frequent and effective communication. We like to tell our clients what we are going to do before we do it, so they are aware and as involved as they would like to be. While we value process, we will never compromise quality.

Quality is a concept that extends to the core of who we are. We believe we are the best architecture, design and construction management firm in Maine; we are extremely proud of what we do and even more excited about how we do it. Despite the finely crafted work we produce, we are not pretentious. We are nice people obsessed with architecture, historic homes, design inspirations, building science and the latest construction practices. We like to practice our craft and have fun along the way!

As a 100% employee-owned company, we strive for balance. We value spending time with our families, being active in our communities, and celebrating all Maine has to offer. We are passionate about Maine and supporting its people—clients, creatives, artisans, craftsmen, all of us—who choose to live here.

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KG PROJECT STORIES

The extent of our project stories can be enjoyed at knickerbockergroup.com

Every home has a story: from an old hunting cabin built of stone to a shingle-style island retreat; from a 1930s Tudor estate in the mountains of Maine to an eclectic farmhouse filled with heirlooms and salvaged finds. We take pride in our homes and in capturing the stories of the people who live there.

For one client, their home's story is told by the artisan who sculpted an acorn finial to replicate an original antique newel post. For another, it is subtly told by two stones in the fireplace, hand-carved by the mason in the shape of two states that stole our client's heart (Maine and Georgia). A driftwood-framed mirror over the mantel of an island home speaks of the quiet, leisurely days a mother and daughter collected treasures on the beach outside their door. "A family that clams together, stays together" is the mantra of a coastal cottage, telling the story of a family history that would be passed on from one generation to the next.

Maine captures the spirit of those who choose to live here. We love learning about our clients' lives, hearing the stories and making new ones along the way. The art of design and craftsmanship is the ability to express the essence of those stories in the spirit of the home. Read more Maine stories on our website; we hope it inspires you to tell your own.















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My most memorable moment was when I walked around the point to the Albonegan Inn, when the siding and clapboards were just going up. Standing out there and taking a pause, I turned around and could see the island cottages in a row alongside our new cottage. The scale, the feel, and the look sunk in... that was a really good moment. It was the moment I realized, 'We had gotten it right'."

-Homeowner, 4th generation summer resident of Capitol Island

KG Project Story

CAPITOL ISLAND



KG Project Story HUNTING ISLAND

Perched on the shore of a one-acre island, the cottage bravely faces the open Atlantic Ocean. Once a hunting retreat with no electricity, the original cottage held a couple of small rooms, rustic plumbing and remnants from ocean debris washed in through windows during winter ocean storms.

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KG Project Story, continued HUNTING ISLAND

Challenges of permitting regulations, exposure, and not wishing to lose the essence of the island set the stage for a wonderful collaboration with the new owners who wished to bring 21st century upgrades for convenience and comfort—a modest addition allowed for more elbow room while retaining the elements of the original structure.





Town Landing is a series of coastal buildings on the rocky shoreline of Maine's Southport Island, consisting of a main house, a cottage and a barn. The property functions as the mainland base for transportation to and from the nearby Inn at Cuckolds Light, which is located on an island a half mile offshore.

While each building at Town Landing is unique, there is an overarching architectural vision, drawing from traditional, shingle-style aesthetic and utilizing signature detailing and colors to unify the structures. From the inside, each space is centered on the spectacular ocean and lighthouse views and embodies the spirit of the quintessential Maine retreat.

KG Project Story

TOWN LANDING

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The clients, a couple from the Northeast with two young children, had frequently discussed building a home from the ground up, but thought it was something they would take on later in life. As fate would have it, the opportunity came much sooner than expected. Unable to find a home that met their needs, they asked Knickerbocker Group to assist in selecting the right property. During their first visit to an 8-acre overgrown, woodlot in Cumberland Foreside, it was difficult for them to visualize its potential. Knickerbocker Group provided the vision and excitement which helped paint the whole picture for them, and also devised a









KG Project Story, continued

CHESTNUT WAY

One of the homeowners grew up in a beautiful farmhouse in New Hampshire, and she had always been drawn to that simple, rustic aesthetic. "Our style is casual and a bit eclectic," she states, and "we like pretty timeless pieces with some pops of color or interest. Our decorating blends some older pieces (the Hoosier cabinet in the dining room made by my great-great-grandfather) with some newer classics." In the living room, deep barn reds bounce off neutrals, heightened by an elegant oriental rug. The custom fireplace acts as a central gathering space, made bold by large hand-selected pieces of granite. Throughout the house, the furnishings simply accentuate the natural architectural details that were incorporated into each space.

INSPIRATIONS

Attention to details. Client-driven design.

The dream begins with your vision, and browsing the Inspirations page on the new Knickerbocker Group website allows you to get inspired and articulate your vision using our vast archive of imagery. Organized by *styles, spaces, elements* and *details,* Inspirations serves as a resource and provides insight for an entire home or a single design element. Our Search feature lets you concentrate your attention on the specifics, from shingle-style to bunkrooms or ceramic tile and hardware. Every detail of your home is important and our designers will guide and collaborate with you, bringing the details together to create a beautifully designed and functional home.

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our clients are as diverse as our houses

quality effective communication

WE LIKE TO HAVE FUNDOWN-TO-EARTH

attentive diversity of work

since 1978 WELL-DEFINED PROCESS

RELATIONSHIPS PERSONALITY energy

APPRECIATION FOR THOSE WE WORK WITH

IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY we listen THOUGHTFUL

PERSONAL CONNECTIONS support maine livelihood approachable CLIENT-DRIVEN DESIGN

We develop close, personal relationships with our clients

honest attention to details experience guide our clients through the process, start to finish craftsmanship authentic





DESIGNERS

BUILDERS

WOODWORKERS

CARETAKERS

What began as a small carpentry company in 1978 is now a group of inspired collaborators who contribute their diverse talents to the designbuild process. With the addition of woodworking services in 1985, architecture and design expertise in 1990, and more recently the incorporation of caretaking services, Knickerbocker Group was formed.

Knickerbocker Group offers architecture and interior design services for custom homes and commercial spaces. From clean, contemporary lines to the graceful sweep of a shingle-style home, we understand and value the powerful impact of good design in Maine's homes and businesses.

From historic commercial renovation projects in Portland to remote island construction projects off the coast of Maine, our construction management team has the depth of resources and experience to handle projects of all sizes and complexities. Our process-driven delivery system is scalable: from simple renovation projects to challenging new builds.

A beautiful home's exterior is important, but life is lived inside. The interior is where we eat, sleep, entertain and unwind and this is where our custom woodworking services come into play. Established in 1985, our woodworkers have become known throughout New England for their exquisite architectural millwork details.

Your piece of mind is our top priority.
As every property is unique, let us tailor a plan that best meets your needs. We are committed to helping you maintain your home's value and comfort.

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OUR APPROACH

Knickerbocker Group offers comprehensive architecture, interior design, woodworking and construction management services for residential buildings and commercial spaces. We approach each project individually, customizing our services to best fit our clients' needs. You can engage us for any one, or all, of our offered services and benefit from our understanding of the entire process from inception to occupancy.

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PUBLICATIONS

Our editorial features are a testament to Knickerbocker Group—our craft, authenticity, team, and homes. Enjoy reading the collection of our magazine features on knickerbockergroup.com

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