

CHICAGO LANDMARKS

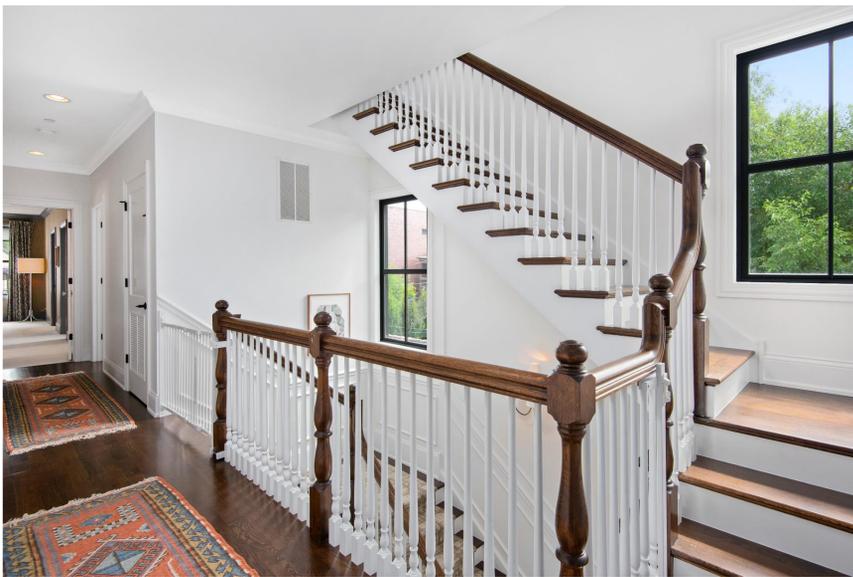


2019 PRESERVATION EXCELLENCE AWARDS

2118 West Evergreen Avenue Wicker Park District New Construction

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The Wicker Park District is a 16-square-block neighborhood within the West Town Community Area characterized by a wide variety of ornate architectural styles ranging from Victorian Gothic to Italianate. After the 1871 Chicago Fire, Wicker Park, was developed with cottages, apartment buildings, and rowhouses. The lot at 2118 W. Evergreen was subdivided from the neighboring property leaving a vacant parcel to build a new single-family home. This new construction project referenced many of the features typical of the district including large windows, siding with a traditional lap exposure, and a projecting cornice. A raised front entry with decorative canopy was added to round out this high-quality, compatible design perfectly fitting within the architectural character of its context. The Wicker Park District was designated a Chicago Landmark on April 12, 1991.



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