

A home with history

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versity.) "The ceiling was out of an old movie theater and it has to be my most favorite part of the house."

The rest of the Browns heartily agree that the salvaged movie theater ceiling is truly special. "It's really cool," says Rhacia. "If you lay on your back —"

"You see different shapes," Stephen points. Rhacia confesses that the tall ceilings inside the home caught her attention from the start. "We looked at a ton of houses," she explains, "and they were all just normal houses — little, small rooms, everything closed off." It was the "big open spaces" inside the home, as well as the "charm of the outside and the old brick" that truly stole her heart.

The structure's striking exterior has seen quite a few changes since the Browns moved in. White fencing and extra patio space handsomely extend from the south side to enclose a nest-egg of a family pool. A small, attractive garage houses Stephen's workshop. Remarkably, the Browns' exterior additions don't detract from the obvious antiquity of the home, and in fact, the building's distinctive white trim (including trim around the unique diamond-shaped windows) is only enlivened by the changes.

Perhaps the structure's most harmonizing exterior feature is the strawberry-red tin roof. Maggie, the Browns' youngest child and a junior at Forest Park High School, reveals,

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Functional and unfussy — A decorative, white lattice trim separates the 'gray room' from the simple and handsome game room. White accents are used throughout the home; this photograph neatly exhibits the way an original white ceiling fits perfectly with modern wainscoting, baseboards and window sills.

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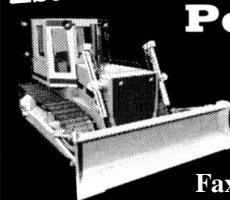
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