

When numerous other professionals within the industry sing the well-deserved praises of Scott Bickford, owner of Bickford + Company Residential Architecture, you know his talents are beyond compare. However, it's not just the words of praise offered about

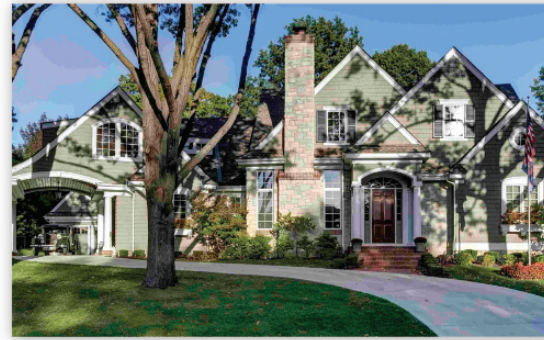
with an impressive portfolio of truly jaw-dropping designs, inspired because he takes the time to fully lean into what each client desires and needs in a home and crafting his designs accordingly.

Bickford earned his Bachelor of Architecture degree from Kansas State



Bickford that give credence to his incredible reputation; it is the stunning works of art he inspires and designs that others call home that truly capture the essence of his skills, talent and expertise. In a sense, Bickford is the Michelangelo of residential architecture,

University in 1978 and is a registered architect in the State of Kansas. He is a member of the American Institute of Architects and an associate member of the Home Builders Association as well as past committee member of the Design



Excellence Awards. In 1979, he founded Bickford + Company, which has designed a wide spectrum of homes within every budget and every size, averaging about 150 projects each year, ranging from 1,000 square feet to 25,000 square feet, and from \$75,000 to well over \$12,000,000. Bickford + Company specializes in designing both new homes and remodeling or renovation projects. Because of their vast experience, this creative and ambitious team has effectively learned to gather information about the needs and desires of the clients, coupled with current trends, to create stunning end results that not only exceed each client's expectations but also greatly complement the environments in which the projects are located. No matter how difficult the lot, Bickford + Company brings solid expertise to the table to produce winning results each and every time.

Bickford has established a highly

innovative team of specialized architects and designers that is dedicated to the best in custom residential design services. Each design is expressly based on the individual needs and desires of the client. Bickford listens intently to gain a full understanding of what each client desires and then applies what he describes as "personal architecture."

"By this term, we mean individualized residential architecture, developed through a team approach involving not only our staff of professional designers but also the builder and especially the client," explained



Bickford. "We take great pride in creating client-centered custom designs and in resolving difficult or unusual circumstances to achieve the result best suited to the client."

Not a company to lean on a "signature style," Bickford makes it a point to move in the opposite direction. Instead, he prefers to focus on the client's preferences more



than his own artistic expression, working within context as much as possible and designing with respect for the project's surroundings, whether in a rural, historic or brand new neighborhood.

"We regard the house not just as an abstract exercise of the designer's artistic virtuosity and technical skill, but also — indeed, primarily — as an adjunct to the client's lifestyle and as an expression of the client's character, values and status," emphasized Bickford. Because of the fully-integrated approach with the client, keen insight is acquired that allows Bickford to develop the one-of-a-kind designs for which he is respectfully known.

In other words, Bickford and his team do not design something in which they would personally want to live. They strive to enhance and advance the practice of personal architecture with a sharp focus on the client and an understanding of the



environment in which the project is set. As a result, the client enjoys a well-made home that beautifully and perfectly complements its setting and the manner in which the client desires to live. ■

PRO TIP...

When designing your home, it is important to respect the home's surroundings and take into consideration these 4 environmental factors:

View - take advantage of the best aspect of the site so it adds to the home's ambiance

Sun - map the sun's path to eliminate hot spots, glare or darkened interiors

Sound - situate rooms in response to any noise pollution. Place bedrooms in a quiet space

Wind - Design the home to take advantage of cross breezes or to provide wind buffers



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