

Custom Building



Creating an Authentic 1800s Colonial

Immense imagination and specialized resources turned a 1950s home into an antique colonial. By the time the house was finished, there was little of the original structure that was untouched. Reclaimed wood, including antique beams and floorboards, were brought in for period authenticity. The living space was doubled through additions, including an expanded-height garage that is modeled after a barn.



“SWS was truly part of the process. They are calm and organized, which makes it very easy to work with them. They never panic, but remain flexible and look for a solution. This was not an easy project, but SWS executed it beautifully with excellent craftsmanship.”

Sam Mitchell, Architect

SWS Builders' Inside View

“The garage presented multiple challenges. We had to fabricate four rafters out of steel I-beams to support the weight of the cupola. The pairs of rafters were welded together on the ground and hoisted up by a crane. We also created custom ‘barn’ doors that when lifted follow the slanting slope of the roof line leaving uninterrupted open space inside.”