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WHEN CLIENTS HIRED ARCHITECT ANIK PEARSON TO HANDLE THE RENOVATION OF A TOWNHOUSE IN MANHATTAN, SHE KNEW THE JOB WOULD REQUIRE BOTH LOOKING FORWARD—TOWARD SUSTAINABILITY AND EFFICIENCY—WHILE TURNING BACK TO THE GLORIES OF AN EARLIER ERA



Asked to revamp a historically significant Arts & Crafts-era townhouse in Manhattan, **ANIK PEARSON** and her team undertook an odyssey of research into the past even as they looked to the latest technological advancements to improve the building envelop and increase its energy efficiency and sustainability. While reconfiguring the interior, she was able to preserve and refurbish the house's grand curving stairway, leaded glass windows, ornamental ironwork, murals, mantels with original Delft tiles, and a frieze of navigational maps. But the architect incorporated innovations as well, including a jewel-box dining room lined in panels of velvet and verre églomisé, and new suspended rooftop gardens planted with vegetables, herbs, and espaliered fruit trees. Working with interior designer Shaun Jackson, she crafted rooms that honor historical accuracy but work for a contemporary family, gracefully preserving the past while reducing the building's carbon footprint and infusing the site with another hundred years of life.

