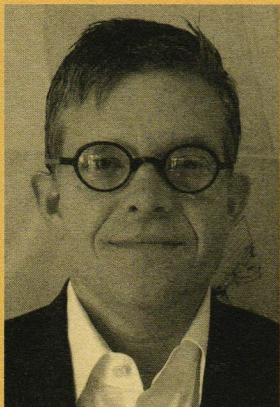


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AIA INDIANA 2010 YEAR IN REVIEW

BUSINESS FURNITURE SHOWROOM, INDIANAPOLIS




Being able to bring design to communities across Indiana is what makes architects different. It's going to be the creative force that helps push our economy forward. While 2010 has been a year of challenges, it's caused us to investigate how we do business differently in order to adapt to a new economy. It's allowed us to retool, to become more efficient and to

examine how the facilities we design can make a difference in the lives of those who use them. In 2010, we've worked to help make connections for architects across the state, through collaborations, (including the first AIA Indiana Large Firm and Small Firm Roundtable), idea sharing and networking so that we can work together to show our clients, communities and lawmakers that design does matter.

Drew White

Drew White, AIA / President, AIA Indiana
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Creative design can be found in spaces throughout Indiana from the expected (school and public safety buildings) to the unexpected (horse barns and nonprofits). The winners of the 2010 AIA Design Awards show that even on tight budgets and challenging sites, good design can be achieved.

Six Indiana architecture firms received awards for their work during the annual competition, judged by a panel from AIA North Carolina and presented Oct. 15 during the AIA Indiana convention.

HONOR AWARD

Cool Springs Horse Barn & Maintenance Building, Velpen Hafer Associates, Evansville

This is not your grandfather's barn.

Yes, there's a hay loft and horse stalls.

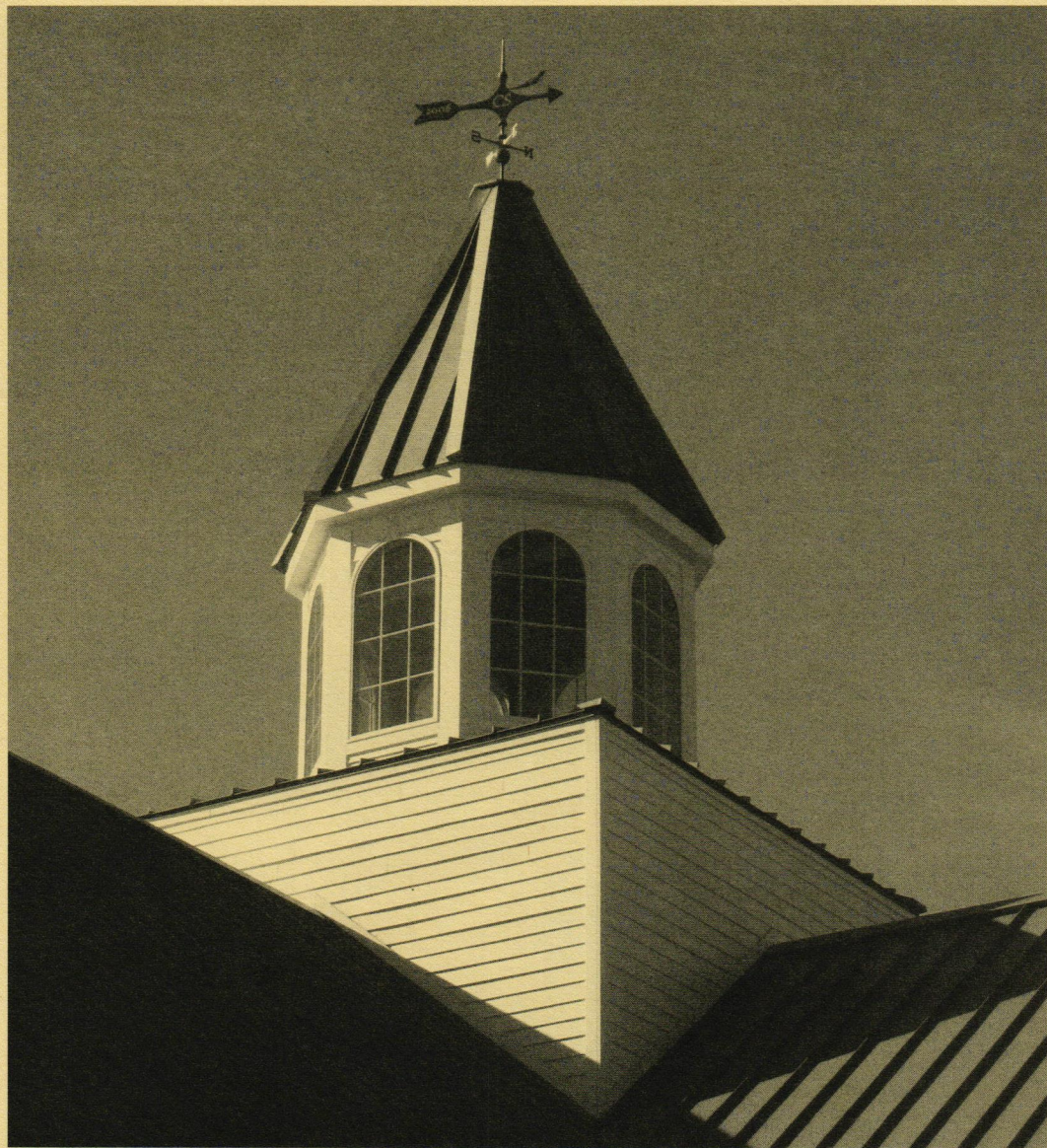
But, inside this modern structure rich with natural woods and soaring beams, it's clear to see this was built to do more than house animals. The whole idea of Cool

Springs Horse Barn was to create a corporate education center for furniture-maker OFS Brand, where it could hold employee training, customer recreation and community education.

It houses a riding area, hay storage, horse stalls, two apartments, and a maintenance garage for the upkeep of the 600 acres that Cool Springs encompasses. Hafer Associates took its cues from the

natural surroundings of the wooded site, the traditional agrarian structures that dot the Southern Indiana landscape and also instilled the environmental commitment of OFS Brand. The Horse Barn has achieved LEED Silver certification.

The design also reflects the love for wood, attention to detail and spirit of high-level craftsmanship that is at the heart of OFS Corporation and the furniture it crafts.



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