

Top Estes Valley Mountain House Designers Offer a "R.A.P. With Betty" Session on Next Steps for Your *Remodeling Action Plan* or New Home

If you love your location and property, but have some problems with your house, maybe we can help. Or, if you are planning a new home and want to be sure to get it right, let's talk. We welcome a meeting.



About our Work:

Betty & Steve Nickel are acclaimed as Masters of Traditional Mountain Design in the Estes Valley. We transform Historic Mountain Architecture into 21st Century Living, without compromising great Living Spaces.

About the Next Steps Meeting:

During a Complimentary Introductory meeting at our Office, we can discuss & accomplish the following...

- Listen to your goals and ideas for your project
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- Based on your reactions, "hash out" relevant issues
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Request an Introductory Meeting at:

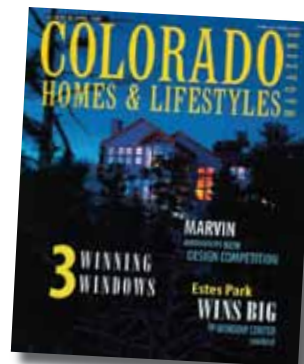
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NAHB Pacesetter Award
"Honoring the Best and Brightest of the Country's Home Builders"



"A Mountain Bungalow"
featured as
Cover Christmas House



"Castle on the Rocks"
Winner of
Marvin Windows
Design Competition



"Twin Lambs Ranch"
featured as
Mountain Magic

What Our Clients and Magazines are Saying About Our Award-Winning Work

Even My Puppy Appreciates Your Design!

"I am just moved into My beautiful new Betty & Steve house. Everyone loves it! Including my wild man Tucker. He has several beds along the bank of windows so he can be the watch-puppy of the whole back yard. I am thrilled! The layout is unique and perfect for my needs. The room sizes and proportions are just right. The big windows are just what I was looking for with the intimate connection to the property and views to the north. The living room is even taller than I was imagining. It is perfect."

- Sally Kile, Fort Collins, Colorado

A Tremendous "Library House"

"I chose Betty and Steve Nickel for architectural design, having built a cabin in Allenspark for our family in the mid-90's. I knew them to be talented and capable, with 20+ years of experience in designing and building mountain houses. Betty and Steve took my desire to build a substantial library into the home and to build their design around that idea. The result is going to be a tremendous home, unique and beautiful. I hope this Estes Homestead will be a magnet to my family and friends who also love Estes Park and the Rocky Mountains."

- Peter Estes, Estes Park, Colorado

Honoring the Best & Brightest of the Country's Home Builders

After winning a Pace Setter Design Award from the NAHB "Honoring the Best & Brightest of the Country's Home Builders", Custom Home featured our work writing: For Steve & Betty Nickel, the task of designing a house and the task of building it have always been inseparable... Betty takes the lead in plan development, kitchen & bath design, and has final say on livability issues. Steve does the structural work and works out elevations and details saying: "When our plans are done, nobody in the universe is more qualified to build that house than we are." The Nickels concentrate on only 3-5 projects per year... within a small geographical area. Maintaining that focus gives the Nickels a unique depth of expertise in designing for the local climate, topography, and architectural context.

- NAHB & Custom Home Magazine Design Pacesetter Award

A Gift Given

"Tis' the season for giving special thanks! We've been in the house since May 25th, and are indeed happy and comfortable here. You were the one's responsible for taking our uninformed ideas and imperfect sketches and creating an actual house out of all we offered. You were able to really get inside our heads and you did it so well that we assume not only is it because of study and training, but a gift given. With deep appreciation and affection."

- Tom & Sandy Ewing, Estes Park, Colorado

You Can See Your House Before it is Built

After reading an article in the Estes Park NEWS about the Library House, our client Tyler Campbell wrote: "What a great article about the Library House! I'm sure the photos don't do the project justice." (Our reply: These aren't photos...they are computer-generated images from our Architectural Design software. This allows our clients to see their house and even walk-through before it is built.) Tyler's reply: "They certainly looked like photos when I viewed the article on my iPhone! And even when I just now looked at them on my desktop computer they look like the real thing. Very nicely done Steve!"

- Client Tyler Campbell, Professional Photographer, Estes Park, Colorado

Nickels Transform Small Homes

In an article featuring our work in the Lake Forester Home & Design, the magazine wrote: "The highly individual layouts of The Portfolio Group are their trademark. Betty Nickel feels strongly about giving clients exactly the living space they want and need, rather than bending clients' wishes to the designer's idea of the perfect house. "Communication is key. Clients often cannot explain precisely what they want. And designers do not always listen carefully to what the client is asking for. We need to pay attention to the fact that building or remodeling a house is a very major event. They only get the opportunity to plan their house once or twice in their lives!"

- Wide Open Spaces, Architects transform small homes Lake Forester Home & Design, Lake Forest, Illinois

We can schedule 2 Meetings per Month, so Book a "R.A.P. With Betty" Session on Next Steps for Your Remodeling Action Plan or New Home

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