



[News Home](#)

[News Archive](#)

RELATED LINKS

[GSD Events](#)

[Global GSD](#)

[GSD Faculty](#)

CONTACT

Deborah Johansen

Director of Communications

Harvard University

Graduate School of Design

48 Quincy Street

Cambridge, MA 02138

617.496.0823 tel

News

2009 MDesS graduate Lukas Petrash residence to be published by *Architectural Record*



While many seasoned architects would be more than gratified with a feature in *Architectural Record*, it's not often that a graduate student makes the pages of this leading design magazine. And he's also been fielding emails and phone calls from far-flung clients for his architectural services. Lukas Petrash, an MDesS student who graduated last week, will not only be highlighted in the July issue of *Record*, but is doing his best to keep on top of housing projects in Italy, the Caribbean, and Brazil.

"It's exciting," says Lukas. "A firm in Italy loved the houses that I designed for them and wants to start construction immediately. The company's founder told me yesterday that he is meeting with two large charitable organizations to show them my work—one in the Caribbean and one which constructs projects throughout Brazil. In addition, a woman in Sicily who owns a large organic farm wants me to design and build an eco-friendly village for agri-tourism.

"It is very satisfying to have been able to use every part of my education here at the GSD—from financial analysis to sustainable design, from architectural specifications and construction cost analyses to urban politics and real estate development. I also had the opportunity to take an array of courses, including those in design, law, business, and politics, at other Harvard Schools.

Image: Bathroom with translucent tile (hybrid Trombe) wall designed by Lukas Petrash.