Brookline Residence

A vertical living arrangement
The tower-like form of this house grew out of the desire to surround each living space with the maximum of light, air and view, while at the same time promoting the possibility of finding solitude within the modest floor area; each level is a world in itself. The vertical organization offers other benefits as well: the creation of yard space on a restricted, sloped site and significant economies of construction and heating.

Features
- Patented construction product innovations
- High utilization of restricted site
- Optimized light and view

Recognition
- Finalist, 2004 & 2006 Harleston-Parker Award, Boston Society of Architects/AIA
- Wohnungen in Hozbauweise, Dieter Gutekunst, Karl Kramer Verlag, 1997
- “Baunen und Wohnen”, Feidler/Berg, Stern, 1995
- Casas Internacional 30, March 1994
1 In-law Apt
2 Dining
3 Sitting
4 Kitchen
5 Foot Bridge
6 Entry
7 Living
8 Master Bedrm
9 Children’s Bedrm
10 Retreat
11 Terrace
12 Mechanical
Program
Where the site slopes off from the street, a footbridge connects a passage adjoining an existing garage to the third floor entry level. Here the formal living, music and play spaces are combined behind a wall of glass doors shaded by the overhanging bedrooms above. Down one flight is the family living suite comprised of kitchen/dining/sitting areas, with direct access to a shade garden. A sunny garden at the lowest level serves an in-law suite. Off the winding stair, up one flight from the entry, the master bedroom opens diagonally onto a corner balcony. On the next level, the children’s bedroom features individual built-in furnishings at the four corners of a shared space. Finally, upon reaching the top one finds a small retreat with roof terrace and pergola, marking the line between hilltop and sky.