



Schematic design for new stair

## Bridges Residence Baltimore, MD

**Project:** The project is located just north of the Historic Midtown District. The client wished to replace the existing historic wood stair from the basement up to the third floor, renovate the basement kitchen and create an in-law suite in the basement. The first floor was opened to the basement for light and a more airy feel. The second floor was reconfigured to include a study, walk-in closet and a renovated and expanded master bath, the third floor to include a sitting room and additional storage spaces.

**Design:** The first priority was the design of the new stair and to make it the spine of the house over all floors. The new stair wraps around an open well, which is placed under an existing skylight to bring natural light into the center of the house. Steel stringers and open risers were utilized to keep the stair as open as possible. Wood treads provide a warm contrast to the steel elements of the stair.

Below: Proposed second floor (upper) and proposed basement plan (lower).

**Services:** Design and construction documents.

