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Shayan House

After a rigorous engineering process, architect Soheil Nakhshab built the LEED Gold-certified Shayan House in less than a year on a lot that had sat vacant for years, long considered unbuildable due to its slope. Nakhshab solved the site puzzle by dividing the lot and adding a curved driveway, at the apex of

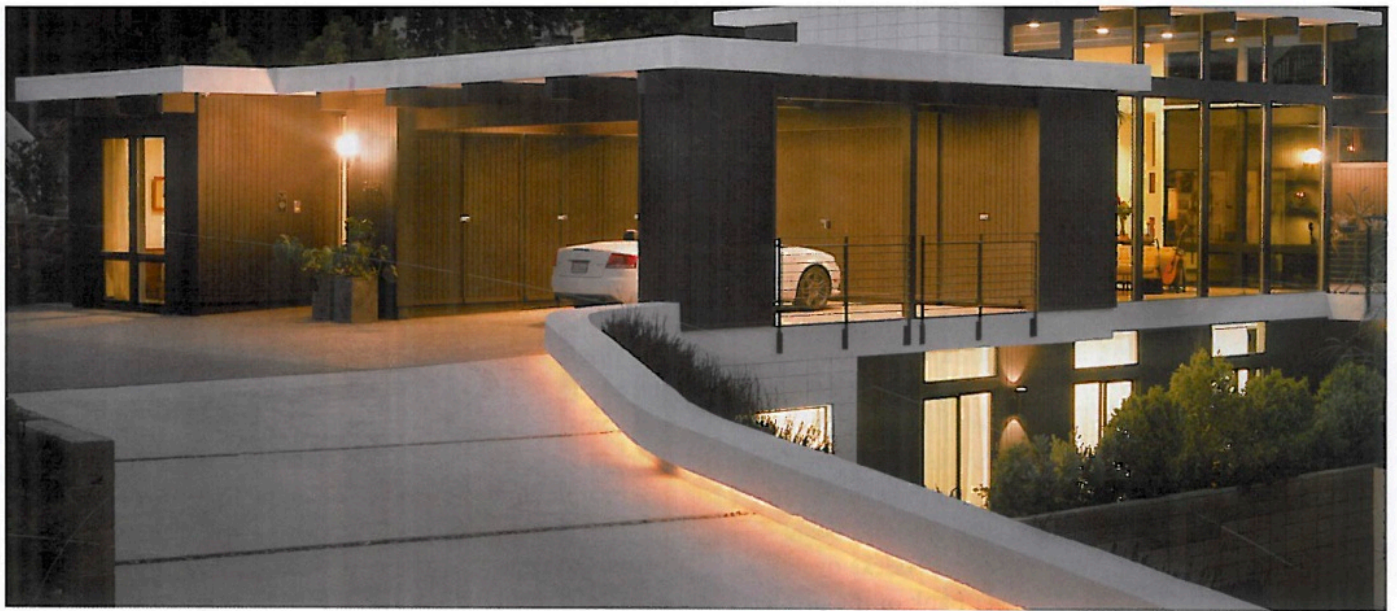
which now sits the top floor of the bi-level home, which was finished this year. The structure springs off the upslope toward the canyon below yet belies its 5,000-square-foot size by nestling comfortably among the neighboring houses.

"The Shayan House was constructed to be 43 percent more energy

efficient than required by California standards," says Nakhshab. He installed rooftop photovoltaic panels that provide a sizable annual energy offset and added Low-E floor-to-ceiling windows, a cross-ventilation system, and Energy Star-rated lighting. He filled the home with mid-century modern furnishings found



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in antiques shops and on Craigslist. “This property also gains unique aspects from the reversed floor plan and the multiple living spaces designed to suit the needs of three generations,” adds Nakhshab.

Since receiving his engineering degree from San Diego State University, Soheil Nakhshab has been involved in designing hospitals, schools, and multifamily housing projects. His true passion, however, is designing and building single-family residences—the Shayan House is a testament to that passion. naddinc.net

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