

Before (below), plank siding and skimpy details did little to draw attention away from the garage. Now (right), twin columns and an eyebrow dormer showcase the new front entry.



Originally, the house sat sideways on the lot, with the entry hidden behind the garage (see before and after plans, below). The Warrens created a "street presence" by adding a front-facing entry (above) and a bay-windowed living room (right). "We wanted to make the entry strong," says Mark, "and to shift visual emphasis away from the garage." Behind the living room they also added a new master suite, recycling part of the old suite into a powder room and a large walk-in closet.

Cedar shake siding, a steeper-pitched roof, and new windows on all sides give the once-boxy house a friendly, cottagelike warmth. They also help merge the old with the new. "We didn't want the house to look remodeled," says Denise.



Part of the addition is a window-lined living room overlooking the street. Beadboard covers the vaulted ceiling, which follows the new roofline.