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The Ames Stone Pavilion
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Preservation

The land atop the hill where the house once was, now remains untouched and revived as natural space. The Cube house floor plans and existing topography was carefully examined to see what improvements can be made for public use and how the New may complement those spaces. The New Floor Plans show careful consideration for what is remained and added.

History

The Ames family wealth was acquired at the time of high demands for shovels to dig up gold, granite, and other material. The New tell this story within the ground and finds the Stone Walls escaping from below. The highlight of Stone maintains a connection to the nearby existing Stone Carriage but in a contemporary structure.

Program

The Ames Stone Cube allows new vertical circulation between floors of the Existing and the New whilst providing light to the indoor spaces of the Cube. The Ames Stone Pavilion allows users to remain inside for smaller events, to open and include the outside for larger events, or to simply allow for rest above its structure. All while harnessing the views of the pond and the forest nearby.
Colder times find the doors closed for smaller indoor events below in the pavilion and above in the house.

The pavilion allows itself to slide its doors and open for larger events to the outside.

The night transforms the area for more formal events within the pavilion and in the restaurant of the home.
The underground hallway to the new pavilion also provides historical information of the estate as one passes through it.

The new addition to the Cube House allows for natural light to enter the spaces making it usable for more public programs.