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## [11] Arcadia Modern Ranch

5601 East Montecito in Phoenix - 85018



Project is a remodel and addition of an existing 2,500 square foot home in the Arcadia area of Phoenix, originally built in 1955 and designed by Al Beadle. As part of the program to update and adjust to the owner's living needs, an additional 1,800 square feet, primarily for a new master suite, was included in the new design.

The new design develops a plan that begins with a new entrance statement identified by a curving masonry wall leading the visitor to the entrance, continuing through the interior entrance space, and leading again to the outside and the rear yard. The curved wall bisects the house allowing private bedroom and bathroom areas to one side and public space to the other side. Minimal planning alterations were needed on the public side of the house, keeping in location most spaces except the relocation of the kitchen space towards the exterior patio and pool and the changing an existing bedroom into an informal family space open to the new kitchen.



The Owners desired a new master suite addition which was located with access from the new family/kitchen space and offset from the existing residence plan to allow exterior access to the patio and pool area and views to Camelback Mountain. The existing garage structure, an addition to the house in the past, was kept intact as an anchor to the new design in form and as a shield to noise from the adjacent street.

The final result of the design gives the Owner's a distinctive contemporary home meeting the needs of the family in a relaxed setting while fitting with the context of Arcadia neighborhood scale and seasonal Arizona environment.

**Architect:** Michael J. Pickard, AIA

**Contractor:** True Performance Homes, Inc., Steve Watson

**Structural Consultants:** Opela Worx S.E. Consultants, Inc.