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Name: Jonathan Metz

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Location: Stamford, Conn.

Birthplace: Brooklyn, N.Y.

Family: Wife, Irene Metz; Son, Joshua (21); Daughter: Isabel, 16

College: Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, N.Y., 5 year Bachelor of Architecture

First job outside of real estate: College summers, bell hop at Grossingers Hotel, Monticello, N.Y.

After graduation, Tate Interiors doing shop drawings for raised floors.

First job in real estate or allied field: Staff architect at I. M. Pei & Partners

What do you do now and what are you planning for the future: I decided I wanted to be an architect when I was 14. I plan to be removed forcibly from my desk.

Hobbies: Gardening sometimes, but mostly I enjoy architecture.

Last book: "The Master Builders" by Peter Blake

Favorite movie: "North by Northwest"

Person you most admire (outside of family): Louis Kahn, Steve Jobs.

Keys to success: You must believe what you are doing and own it, otherwise you will be frustrated and unhappy every day.

If you had to choose another vocation what would it be? Being an architect is not what I do; it is what I am.

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