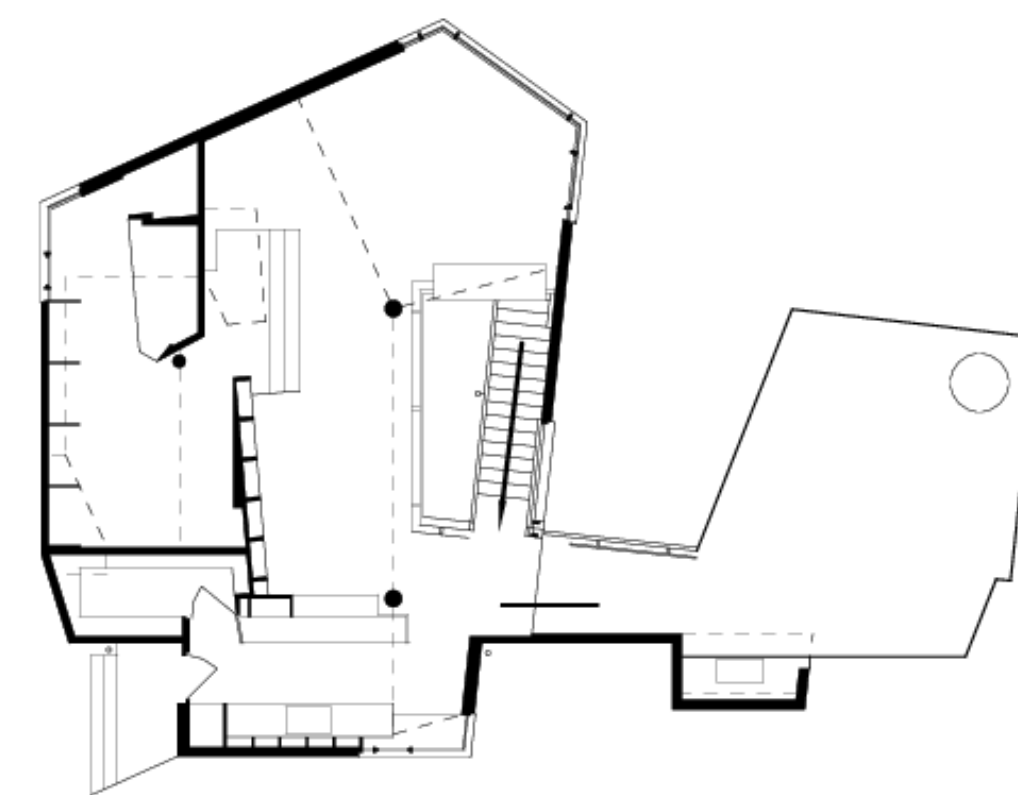
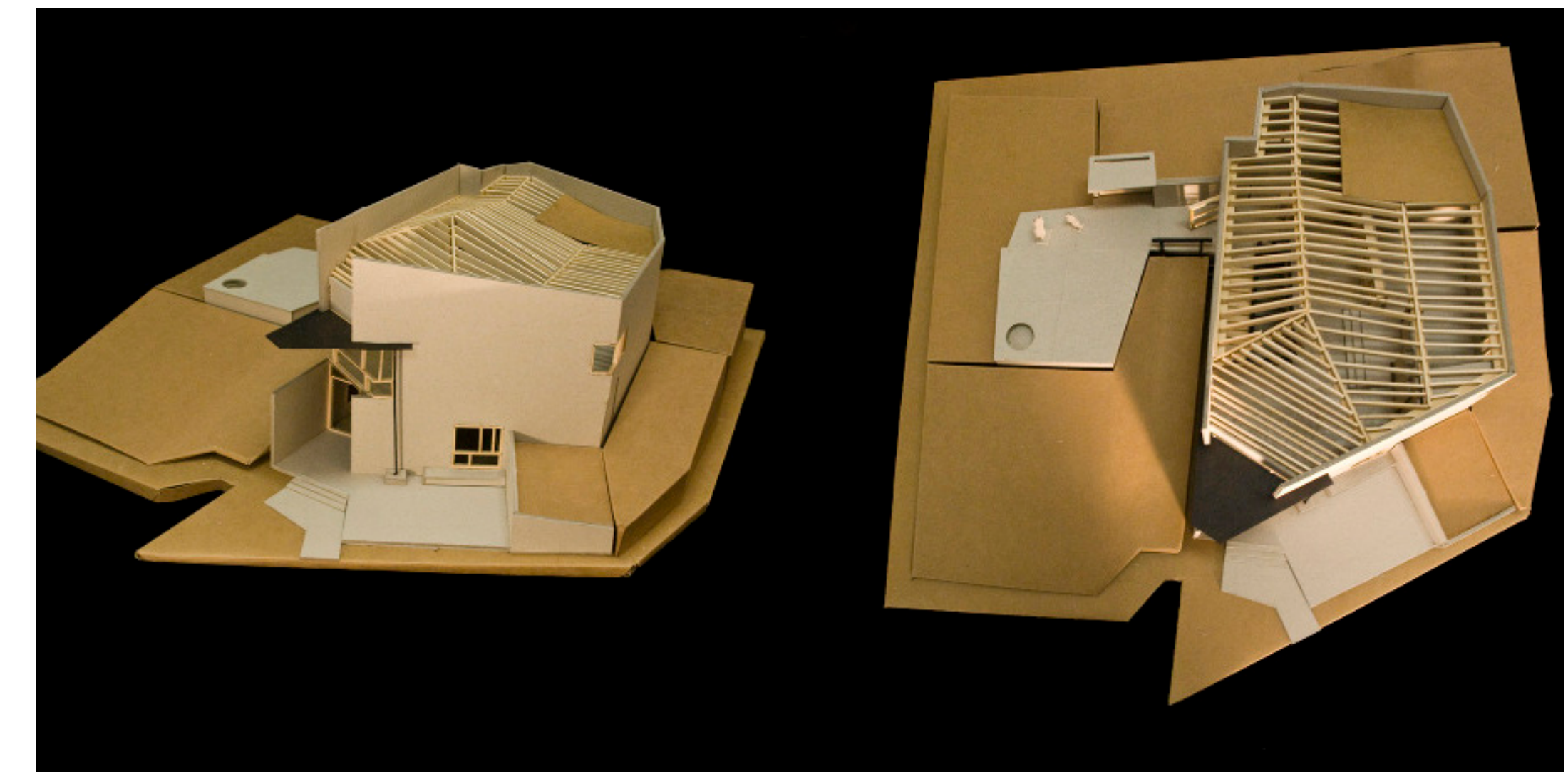




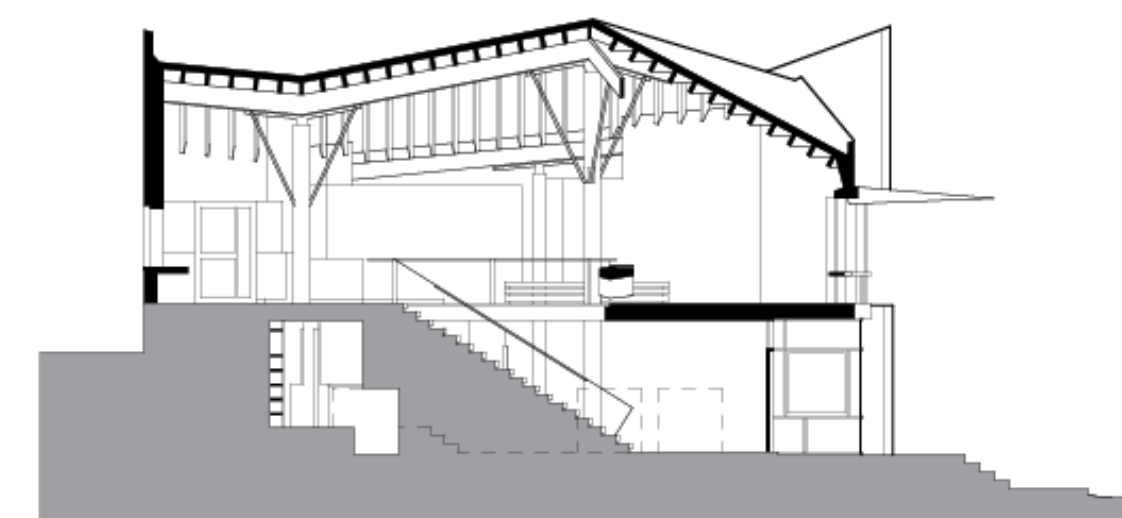
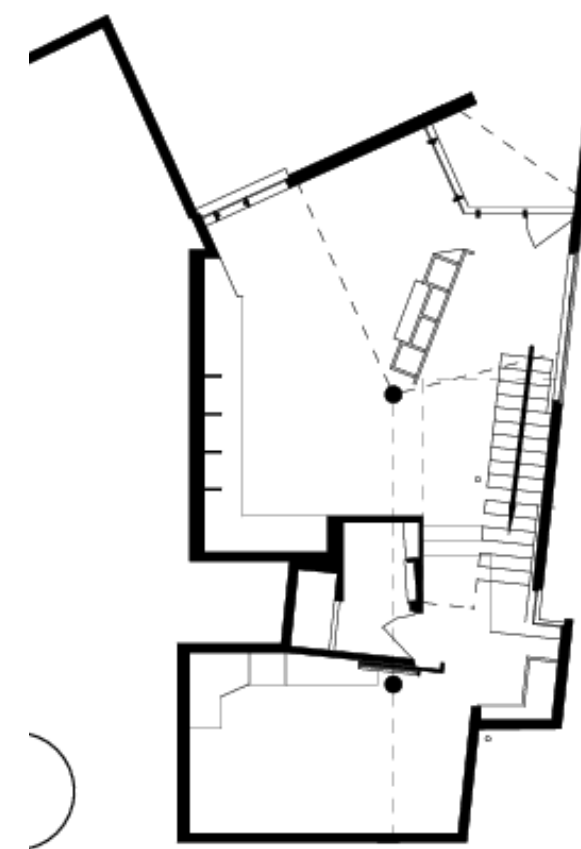
Barnes House - Patkau Architects 1978-Present
 Namaimo, British Columbia, Canada
 Built 1991-1993

- Governor General's Award, 1997
- Architectural Record Award, 1996
- Progressive Architecture Award, 1993
- Canadian Architect Award, 1992



The house was made for a retired couple. It is sited on the edge of an open rocky outcrop and has an outstanding view of the Strait of Georgia and mainland British Columbia to the North as well as a view of the shoreline of the Vancouver Islands to the North west.

It is a two story house that is entered through a glazed fissure at the lower level. The lower level contains a studio, a bathroom, and a guestroom. The upper level contains a living room, master bedroom, a dining room, the kitchen, a utility room, a terrace, a barbecue, and a firepit.



The location of the house makes it seem as if it is wedged into the tapered ravine. The house has both orthogonal and non-orthogonal qualities and it is very abstract.