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Available March 2010, the highly anticipated follow-up to
NOT SO BIG SOLUTIONS FOR YOUR HOME . . .

MORE NOT SO BIG SOLUTIONS FOR YOUR HOME **By Sarah Susanka, FAIA**

LAS VEGAS, (Jan. 19, 2010)—Readers simply cannot get enough of Sarah Susanka. Homeowners are certain to embrace this forthcoming collection of design insights from the best-selling author and visionary residential architect who sparked the movement toward “better, not bigger” homes. ***MORE NOT SO BIG SOLUTIONS*** (The Taunton Press, March 2, 2010, \$22.95) offers practical solutions for homes of all sizes. Written originally as articles for *Inspired House* and *Fine Homebuilding* magazines, this creative resource is packed with highly detailed solutions to everyday home design challenges.

MORE NOT SO BIG SOLUTIONS tackles everything from how to use color to unify an interior space, to dealing with the teardown phenomenon across America’s suburbs, and designing a laundry room that works can be found in. Susanka poses—and clearly answers—questions such as:

- **How much space do you really need?** Answer-Page 11
- **Where does the garage belong?** Answer-Page 25
- **How do you design a comfortable guest room?** Answer-Page 49
- **How do you improve a McMansion?** Answer-Page 66
- **Why is the front entry so important?** Answer- Page 92
- **How do you design a kitchen island?** Answer-Page 116
- **How do you squeeze in a half-bath?** Answer-Page 122

Written in Susanka’s trademark engaging, conversational style and illustrated with her own inviting sketches, this compilation of attainable home improvements is a valuable addition to any smart homeowner’s library. ***MORE NOT SO BIG SOLUTIONS*** provides the tools needed to bring out the best in any home.

About Sarah Susanka, FAIA, www.NotSoBigHouse.com

Susanka is the author of nine books that collectively weave together home and lifestyle, revealing that a “Not So Big” attitude serves not only architectural aims, but life goals as well. Her books have sold well over one million copies and include: *The Not So Big House*, *Creating the Not So Big House*, *Not So Big Solutions for Your Home*, *Home By Design*, *Inside the Not So Big House*, *Outside the Not So Big House*, *The Not So Big Life* and the 10th Anniversary edition of Susanka’s first book, *The Not So Big House*. Susanka’s eighth book, *Not So Big Remodeling*, was released in March to rave reviews and is an Amazon.com best seller. Susanka is a member of the College of Fellows of the American Institute of Architects and a Senior Fellow of the Design Futures Council. She was born in Kent, England, and lives in North Carolina. Join her online community at www.NotSoBigHouse.com.

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Also available *Not So Big Solutions for Your Home* by Sarah Susanka
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Praise for *Not So Big Solutions for Your Home*

An insider's guide to the ideas behind good design. It's the knowledge that informs the decisions architects and designers make every day... there's enough information here to give even the most uninformed homeowner a solid foundation to build on.

--*The Seattle Times*

If you plan to build a new home or remodel your existing residence, first spend profitable time studying author Sarah Susanka's "Not So Big Solutions for Your Home." Susanka emphasizes modest home component features rather than the big, lavish designs that many other architects seem to favor.

--*The Chicago Tribune*

Your house may have more space than you think it does. It's true. You probably have dead space lurking in the corners of your living room, dining room, even your kitchen. Flip through "Not So Big Solutions for Your House" and you will see.

--*Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*

"Not So Big Solutions for Your Home" is the third book by nationally acclaimed architect-turned-author Sarah Susanka. Although primarily aimed at consumers, the book offers practical design ideas for builders and designers pursuing the "build richer, not bigger" ideal popularized by Susanka's books -- and sought after by many home buyers.

--*Professional Builder*

Dubbed "America's Favorite Home Architect" by *Fine Homebuilding* magazine, where her "Drawing Board" column appears, Susanka here presents a small compilation of 31 essays from the column that offer a number of solutions to household design problems both big and small. Certainly, most homeowners could find something in this title to increase their enjoyment of their home. Susanka's previous two books have sold over half a million copies, so there's sure to be reader interest in this title. Recommended for most public libraries.

--*Library Journal*

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Sarah Susanka on *MORE NOT SO BIG SOLUTIONS FOR YOUR HOME*

Excerpt from *Sarah Susanka's Not So Big Minizine, December 2009*

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More Not So Big Solutions for Your Home

I'm excited to announce that another Not So Big book is on the way. Due out in bookstores March 2, 2010, *More Not So Big Solutions* is a compilation of articles I wrote for Taunton Press' *Inspired House* and *Fine Homebuilding* magazines. Like its predecessor, *Not So Big Solutions for Your Home*, this new book is chock full of valuable information about everything from what to do with a room that's too tall, to dealing with the teardown phenomenon in our inner ring suburbs, to designing a laundry room that works.



Inspired House was a wonderful magazine that ceased publication just a few years ago. It filled a void in the house and home magazine world by dealing with the whole house -- inside and out -- rather than focusing exclusively on interior design issues as many of its competitors do. While the magazine was in print, it developed a devoted following, and I was delighted to learn from The Taunton Press that my regular column, "Not So Big Solutions," was rated the favorite article in every issue.

I was really sad to see *Inspired House* go, as were its subscribers, many of whom expressed their disappointment to me via e-mail or at my public talks and book signings. At some point, I hope there is another magazine like it. But with the challenges facing the magazine industry these days, I realize it may be a few years before we see anything like *Inspired House* again. This is one of the reasons it makes me so happy to give these articles a wider airing in this new book.

What makes *More Not So Big Solutions* (and the first "Solutions" book) special is that I had the opportunity to draw all the illustrations myself. Being able to supplement design concepts with my own graphics allows for a more thorough explanation than a photograph or artist's interpretation could provide.

Although all of my books are filled with details, the two "Solutions" books go a lot further in explaining how to accomplish the particular issue addressed in each chapter. If you're interested in getting down to the nitty-gritty of home design, you'll really appreciate this new book.

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