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Writer **Michael B. Dougherty** shines the spotlight on enigmatic actress Christina Ricci for this month's cover story, "View From the Top." "It was a true pleasure meeting her," says Dougherty. "She was feisty and passionate, but also contemplative and reserved. She was exactly as I always imagined her to be." Based in New York City, Dougherty enjoys running in Central Park and collecting records when he's not writing. His work has appeared in publications such as *New York, Travel + Leisure* and *Saveur*.



Photographer **Matthew Gilson** had his mind on design as he shot portraits of Chicago design standouts Doug Van Tress of Golden Triangle and Ann Kendall of Covet Studio for this month's story "Eco 2.0." "Golden Triangle is so full of welcoming, inspiring spaces I would love to pack a bag and live there for a few days," says Gilson. "Same with Covet—although I think I'd pack my gray flannel suit." When not shooting, Gilson lives in Wilmette with his wife and two children.



Writing about a contemporary glass and steel home for "Modern Marvel" reminded **Tate Gunnerson** about the transformational power of design. "I was amazed that such a unique and spectacular house was built on a rather standard city lot," Gunnerson says. "Using a bridge to connect the main living area to the roof deck on top of the garage was brilliant and significantly expands the family's entertaining space." Gunnerson is a freelance writer, blogger and photography enthusiast who lives in Andersonville.

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It takes two to create the stunning images produced by husband and wife photography duo **John and Andree McArthur**. And their team effort certainly revealed the balance of beauty within each of the featured fashionistas they shot for this month's "Best Dressed 2011." "The women were all so excited to be in the story," says John. "And every one of them was lovely, both inside and out." The Chicago natives currently reside in Edgebrook with their two daughters.



For her *CS* debut, **Jessica Radloff** tackled a subject she was, to say the least, well-suited for: A writer-actress who appeared on the Oxygen Network's *Campus Ladies*, Radloff profiled Chicago native and executive producer of ABC's *Modern Family* Steve Levitan. "*Modern Family* is the best sitcom on TV, and it starts with Steve at the top," says Radloff. "He is incredibly gracious, down to earth—and is the best-looking executive I've ever met. Now how about a walk-on?"



It was both business and pleasure as photographer **Rony Shram** shot the most elegant new evening gowns from designers such as Roksanda Ilincic and Versace on Wall Street for this month's fashion feature story "Evening Star." "Most of my work is New York-based; I feel like I know every corner of New York in one way or another," says Shram. "And I felt that to give this shoot a really sophisticated, chic, big-city look, Wall Street was definitely the place."
