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House of the Day: Religion's Printing Plant Gets Converted

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One Brooklyn Bridge Park

Re-purposing is the buzzword for 2011, and the real-estate version of this trend is of course conversions. One of the more unique conversions to come down the pike is this one in Brooklyn Heights: a 3,500-square-foot townhome that was once a printing facility for Jehovah's Witness literature.

The four-bedroom, four-bathroom townhome, part of the One Brooklyn Bridge Park

complex, is listed for \$3,250,000. It has views of the harbor and is Brooklyn's largest residential conversion. The lobby is a re-creation of the original 1929 building.

Gallery: See This Brooklyn Heights Townhome



The project, which was met with no small amount of protest from some original Brooklyn Heights residents, comes on the heels of the Jehovah's Witnesses (aka The Watchtower Bible & Tract Society) announcing that the organization is relocating its world headquarters to a 253-acre site in Warwick, N.Y.

The interiors of One Brooklyn Bridge Park include original building columns and 9-foot-tall windows, plus amenities for residents-only that include a 3,000-square-foot fitness center, yoga room, children's playrooms, art room, music room, media lounge, and 7,000 square feet of landscaped gardens. Additional features include an indoor virtual golf and driving range, and an outdoor putting green.