

A family affair

"Assisting a family design and build a new home is one of the most rewarding experiences for a designer. A well designed family home will also serve as a legacy for generations to come."

Jacqueline Thornton, president, Jacqueline & Associates





Blending in

Meticulous design and planning ensured this family home met the potential of its site, and the needs of a large family

Despite the advantages of city living, the fast pace sometimes leaves many of us wishing for a quieter, more serene living environment. A home in a park-like setting, a short distance from the hum of the city, would be an ideal scenario.

For the owners of this residence, an opportunity to build at the foot of the Red Rock Mountains, only 20 minutes from the city, was such a setting.

However, the site had certain restrictions. Only a single level dwelling could be built, and the design had to pass the test of the Design Review Board, says Quinn Boesenecker, president of Pinnacle Architectural Studios.

“The client had a floor plan thought out, and key requests such as large patio overhangs and a rooftop patio. To pass the Design Review Board test, the house design also had to blend with the surroundings,” he says.

Working closely with the both the clients and designer, Jacqueline Thornton, Pinnacle Architectural Studio created this distinctive design that merges unobtrusively with the landscape.

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Above: This Pinnacle Architectural Studios design provides views of the city that are unimpeded by columns. Cantilevered overhangs, up to 20 feet long, protect those below from the desert sun. A rooftop patio area provides another vantage point.

Left: Hints of Tuscan design bring a traditional touch to a contemporary neighborhood.



Above: Opulent furnishings, chandeliers, and custom-made furniture portray the traditional styling of this residence. Designer Jacqueline Thornton was involved in all areas of the design process, working closely with the owners and co-ordinating the many sub-contractors.

A home is the sum of its parts. To create a modern, comfortable home requires giving careful consideration to all aspects, including architectural detailing, material selection, color scheme and choice of furnishing.

Owner Cindy Brady credits the success of this project to the creative vision of interior designer Jacqueline Thornton, president of Jacqueline & Associates, and the meticulous planning of project supervisor Rick Johnson.

Thornton says the challenge is always to make each client's home their own. On completion of this project, she had worked closely with the owners

Right: Interior living spaces link smoothly to the comfortably furnished exterior.



for more than two-and-a-half years to create the home's individual style.

"The style tends towards traditional – it's a little bit Tuscan, but really classic and designed not to date. There's no greater reward than creating a family sanctuary like this," she says.

The volume of the living area is driven by the view, and creates a sense of proportion. This room features a large, bevelled stone fireplace as a focal point. Atmosphere was important to the clients, so light box panels, which emit a soft golden light, were installed in the ceiling to create intimacy.

Many details, including millwork, ironwork,



doors and lighting, were custom made ahead of time by skilled artisans. This preparation factored highly in the smooth operation of the project.

Jacqueline & Associate extensive role included, among other things, meeting with architects, and selection of appliances and fixtures, furnishings paints and cabinetry designs. They were also responsible for inbuilt designs, including the library, master bedroom, and media centers.

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Above: The stained dark cherry color of the study was obtained by using a dye tone. The backlit shelves were designed by Jacqueline & Associates, while rope light was utilized for lighting. This dark cherry colour was carried into the surround around the fireplace and dining room buffet.



Above: Arches throughout the house were designed to provide a classical accent. Manufactured by Monterey Woodworking, the 13 arches are not all the same size. Three different forms were used for each sized arch. The golden light of the recessed ceiling lights creates intimacy.

For hundreds of years craftsmen have been designing and shaping wood cabinetry. Today, alternatives to wood abound, yet the tones and textures of wood ensure its continuing popularity in modern homes.

In the hands of an artisan, the warmth and texture of wood can be brought to life. In this instance, Monterey Woodworking provided customized living room and kitchen cabinetry solutions. The company also designed and manufactured 13 hallway arches throughout the house, says company owner Troy Stratton.

“Our job was made easier by the great design

produced by Jacqueline & Associates, as well as by the work of builders Bugbee and Associates. Their careful planning made for a smooth project and satisfied clients.”

Cabinetry of this type is typical of the work Monterey Woodworking undertake on a day-to-day-basis, he says.

“On this project our greatest strength was the ability to provide the client with what they wanted, within a timespan that suited their schedule. The distinctive arches, that add to the form of the house, were manufactured out of poplar and MDF. The arches weren’t all the same size, so it was necessary



Above: The kitchen’s extensive storage space is further maximized by Blum Tandembox Stainless Steel drawers, with full extension slides. The countertop is New Venetian Gold granite.

to make three different forms for each.”

All the moldings used in the house were made at the Monterey Woodworking workshop, where moldings up to 6 foot wide can be manufactured. The fireplace mantel in the family room is almost eight foot wide and 12 inches deep. White River moldings were used to make this mantel.

All cabinets and millwork were created from a combination of alder, cherry and paint.

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Left: Cross beam ceilings with crown mouldings are a feature of this house, as are large fireplaces in several of the communal rooms.



Above: All drapes in this house were custom fabricated by Anna and Chiara Brancaccio, from South West Draperies. The colors chosen integrate with the home's other natural materials.

Right: SkyCo motorized shades allow accurate temperature control and sun protection. Vincent and Angelo Brancaccio installed these shades, operated by a Crestron system.

In a climate that is warm during the day, but cool at night, drapes and blinds offer both protection from the sun and insulation from the cold.

South West Draperies fabricated sheer, lined, and black-out drapes for the Brady residence. A SkyCo motorised blind system, operated by the home's automation system, was also installed.

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Above: Master bedroom closets, finished in honey maple, were custom designed by California Closets. Storage solutions were also provided for the bedrooms, laundry room, craft room and home theater.

A large family requires organized storage solutions, but it should not compromise a home's visual appeal.

California Closets worked closely with the client and designer to provide custom-designed storage spaces that complement the home's design.

"On completion of the laundry room, the client was so impressed he described it as far too good to use simply a laundry room," says Megan Huegel, president of California Closet Las Vegas.

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Left: A kitchenette, finished in june mahogany, stands at the entrance to the theater. The theater controls are housed in cabinetry finished in black oak, with smoked glass doors.



Above: As well as providing interior lighting and fan solutions for this residence, Northern Lights Las Vegas supplied Baldwin door hardware throughout the home.

Above right: The soft lighting of a large crystal chandelier, installed above the stone bath in the master bathroom, creates a classical ambience.

With the huge array of lighting options available today, we have the choice of either subtly integrating illumination, or making a powerful statement with a lighting fixture designed to be a focal point.

Lighting solutions in the Brady residence range from large iron chandeliers to subtly integrated down lights, all supplied by Northern Lights & Fans Las Vegas. Northern Lights also supplied 56in ceiling fans, essential for air circulation in a warm climate, and all door hardware.

Owner, Eric Peterson, says one of the biggest challenges with this project was ceiling height.

"Providing lighting to meet the clients aesthetic requirements, that is also practical, was an important consideration. The large iron chandeliers in the dining room were installed on a cable lift system, allowing them to be lowered for ease of cleaning and bulb changing," he says.

Northern Lights & Fans have fixtures, ceiling fans, floor lamps and table lamps to suit every budget. The company has three shop locations in Las Vegas, and can ship worldwide.

For further information, contact Northern Lights & Fans, phone (702) 438 6600, fax (702) 438 3900. Website: www.northernlightslv.com.



Steam bathing, long recognized as a relaxing way of relieving stress in both mind and body, is also a good way to improve the body's blood circulation and metabolism.

Jacqueline & Associates created a relaxing, therapeutic atmosphere in the master bathroom using a Steamist steam bath.

"The Steamist steam bath adds a spa-like atmosphere to the warm and comfortable environment we created in this room," says Thornton.

For more details, contact Steamist Co. Inc, 275 Veterans Blvd, Rutherford, NJ 07070, phone (201) 933 0700. Website: www.steamist.com.



Above: Frameless sheets of glass create an open atmosphere in this bathroom. Steamist steam bath controls can be customized to match other bathroom fittings

Left: Steamist steam baths are low voltage, easy to operate and virtually maintenance free. Time and temperature controls inside the steamroom make it easy to relax and enjoy a steambath.



Above: These custom-designed, curved, sliding doors were manufactured by Century Manufacturing Industries (CMI). Retractable doors, found in all living rooms of the house, open up views and allow access to exterior living areas.

Above right: Custom painting ensured that the doors blended with the appearance of the rest of the house.

With more than 20 years experience in manufacturing a wide variety of aluminum windows, patio doors, and ornamental products, Century Manufacturing Industries (CMI) were ideally placed to meet the needs of the client and designer in this project.

The sliding glass doors separating the rear of the house from the large patio area were necessary to bring the outside in, an important aspect of the overall design, says company president, Rob Soukesian.

"To fulfil the clients needs, while maintaining structural integrity and function, we chose to use

all standard CMI systems. They offer structural strength and can be adapted to almost any configuration," he says.

"CMI manufactures custom configurations almost daily," says Soukesian. "The most challenging aspect in this project was engineering the radius for all the different parts, and maintaining it through the assembly process so that smooth operation of the sliding panels was ensured."

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To complement the blend of contemporary and traditional styling evident in this residence, the interior design team specified windows from Loewen Window Center of Las Vegas.

Company owner Shawn Colvin says his brief was to provide the client with top-of-the-line, energy-efficient windows.

"To meet these requirements, we provided Douglas fir-framed wooden windows, which can be either painted or stained. For the exterior, sandalwood-coloured, aluminum-frame windows were selected," he says.

Colvin says the craftsmanship that goes into

producing the windows means they are more akin a piece of furniture than an ordinary window.

"The stain used on the Douglas fir enhances the natural characteristics of the wood. The grain and the color of the wood was chosen because it blends with the home's other natural elements."

Loewen Window Center of Las Vegas offers a 20 year glass warranty.

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Above left: Douglas fir-framed windows, from Loewen Window Center of Las Vegas, complement other natural aspects of the home's design. All glass from the company is Low-e Squared, for maximum insulation.

Above: These aluminum clad, Sandalwood-colored windows were customized to match the home's exterior.



Above: Ossi Iron Works created hand-forged, one-off designs for this residence. This fire grille accents the traditional aspects of the home. A more contemporary approach to ironwork can be seen in the balustrade on the rooftop patio.

Above right: This bannister shows the level of intricacy that can be attained by an artisan iron worker.

For centuries, ironwork has been used for both ornamental and practical purposes. Today, however, many people confuse cheaply manufactured bent metal with the real thing.

Since 1992, Osvaldo Ayala, president of Ossi Iron Works, has been custom manufacturing hand-forged and wrought ironwork for architects, interior designers and discerning clients.

"Our artisan ironwork is often considered the finishing touch on a building project," he says. "For this residence, we custom made the bannister for the stairs, handrails for the basement, grilles for the fireplaces, and all the ironwork that is used

to support the glass balustrades on the exterior balcony."

The highly detailed and intricately patterned ironwork was chosen to complement the traditional styling of the house. However, in some areas, such as on the rooftop patio, it provides a more contemporary flourish.

Ossi Iron Works are able to produce nearly anything in iron or steel, regardless of size and the amount of detail required, says Ayala.

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