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2014 DESIGN AWARDS

More than 50 projects recognized reflect a wide range of remodeling work

By Tim Gregorski, Editor in Chief, Kyle Clapham, Managing Editor, and Abby Kleckler, Associate Editor

For the 2014 *Professional Remodeler* Design Awards, our judges recognized approximately 50 projects. This includes the Project of the Year by Dubbe Moulder Architects and Hobbs Custom Builders, and 11 other outstanding projects that were identified as Platinum Award winners.

Judging for the awards took place over the course of two days this past summer in downtown Chicago. Our panel of experts evaluated more than 150 remodeling projects from across the country, reviewing each for a bevy of criteria. Following hours of discussion and debate, the projects were narrowed down and recognized per their classification.

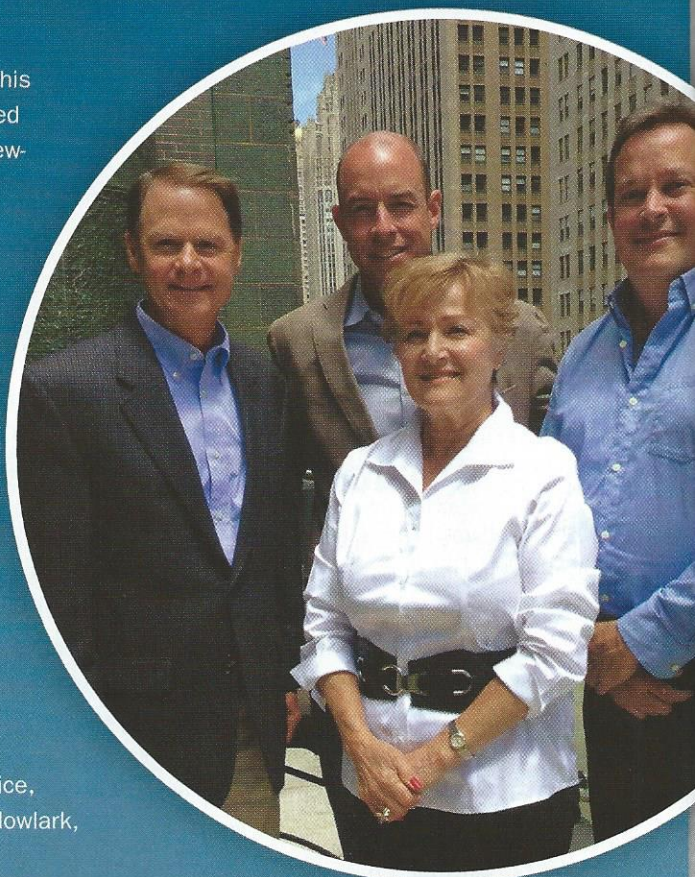
Each of the 2014 Design Award winners will be honored during a special event at the Remodeling Show in Baltimore, which takes place Oct. 23 and 24.

Also, be sure to look for exclusive bonus coverage of the Design Awards at www.ProRemodeler.com. **PR**

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PROFESSIONAL REMODELER WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR DESIGN AWARD JUDGES:

From left: **Scott Mosby**, CGR, CGB, CAPS, president, Mosby Building Arts, St. Louis // **Craig Durosko**, GMR, CGP, CR, founder and chairman, Sun Design Remodeling Specialists, Burke, Va. // **Lucy Katz**, CAPS, vice president of operations and customer service, Katz Builders Inc., Austin, Texas // **Doug Selby**, CAPS, CEO, Meadowlark, Ann Arbor, Mich.



KITCHEN OVER \$100,000

MICHAEL NASH DESIGN BUILD & HOMES // FAIRFAX, VA.

PROJECT LOCATION: MCLEAN, VA.

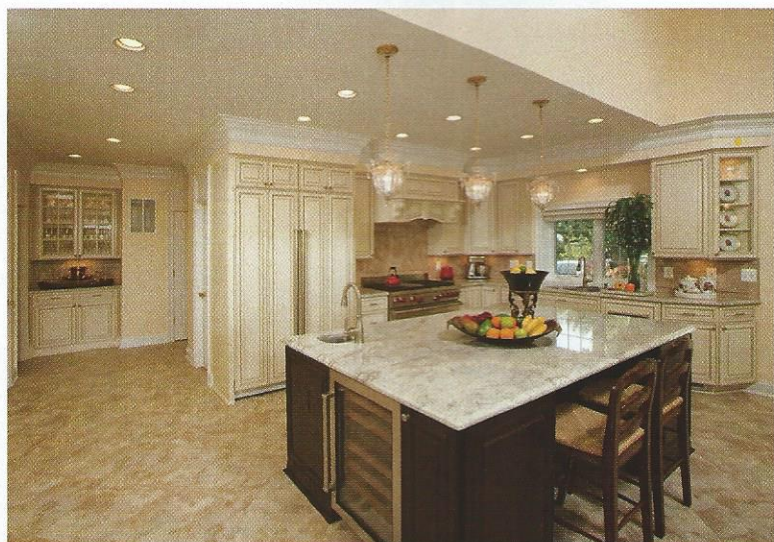
A family of five wanted to renovate and upgrade their 20-year-old kitchen, which suffered from a bleached look and had a layout that hindered fluid movement throughout the space. The existing bulkheads contained all of the plumbing and ductwork, but all of it would have to be removed in order to take advantage of the room's height. Moreover, the kitchen sat above a very tight crawlspace area that made access to both gas and plumbing lines very challenging. As a result, an adjacent family room needed to become part of the plan and facilitate the oval design of kitchen cabinetry.

The client sought to give the new kitchen a French country look by carrying over the soft and creamy color scheme of the main-floor furniture.

Michael Nash Design Build & Homes pulled out a cook top from the island and installed a 48-inch professional range under a custom wood hood

along the back wall of the kitchen. A tower-style refrigerator covered in matching wood panels sits near the end of the run, creating more workspace on both sides of the stove. Michael Nash Design Build & Homes ran an extra plumbing line for the prep sink in the large new island, which features a dark chocolate finish and also includes a second dishwasher, a beverage center, and a built-in microwave.

One of the project goals focused on making sure all of the walls surrounding the kitchen became involved with the remodel. Lower cabinetry and upper display cabinetry fills the main wall of the kitchen, and new cabinetry in the butler area just off the space establishes harmony.



HISTORIC RENOVATION

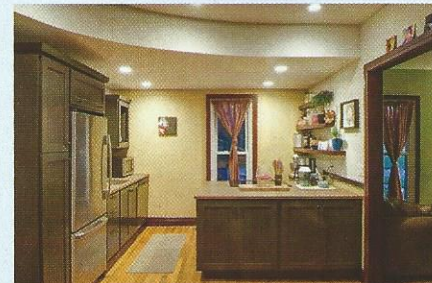
SILENT RIVERS DESIGN+BUILD // CLIVE, IOWA

PROJECT LOCATION: DES MOINES, IOWA

The project had an unexpected beginning but evolved into collaboration among a historic neighborhood association, which wanted to save two small houses that impeded a parking lot, a green redevelopment company owned a nearby lot, and the design-build firm (which navigated the historical process, municipal bodies, and zoning hurdles). The result became an urban rental house with the capacity to teach key tenets of historical rehabilitation and sustainability.

The nearby neighborhood association saved a bungalow destined for demolition and relocated the structure to a new site. Silent Rivers Design+Build converted the 750-square-foot dilapidated house with two bedrooms, one bath, and awkward floors into a fun, upbeat, and livable 1,500-square-foot home to support the revitalization of a traditional working-class neighborhood. The transformation improved the circulation within the house and its capacity (now three bedrooms and two baths), created functional storage where there had been none, and included amenities long disregarded by years of neglect and cheap rent.

A product made from recycled plastic bottles and manufacturing waste was used for the subfloor, encapsulating asbestos tiles and helping to reduce shifts in the first-floor framing. Silent Rivers Design+Build diverted old bricks from the landfill and employed them in the construction of a retaining wall along the perimeter of the lot, which supported a storm management system.

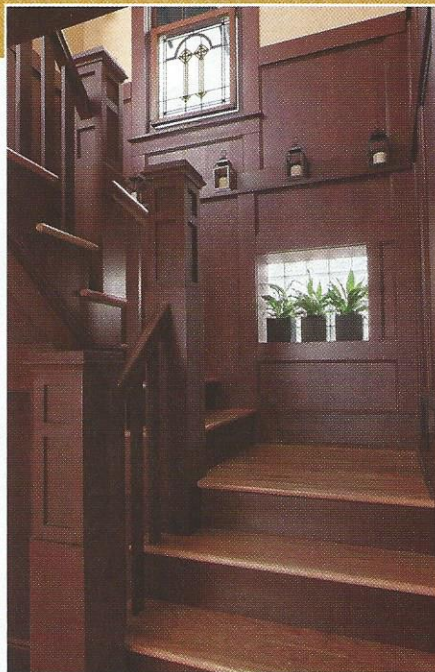


RESIDENTIAL SPECIALTY

ARCHITECTURAL RESOURCE // ANN ARBOR, MICH.

PROJECT LOCATION: PLYMOUTH, MICH.

An existing stairway to the lower level of the home proved to be too narrow and steep and failed to provide sufficient height clearance at the bottom landing. The kitchen entry door swung out across the ascending stair flight, and an entry door from the exterior of the house clipped the tread at the intermediate landing, so that a person had to descend the stair to avoid the door when opening it. Architectural Resource sought to provide a centrally located, readily accessible, and aesthetically appealing stairway to the basement that also complemented the historical architecture of the existing home. Relocating the stairway between the renovated kitchen and existing dining room improved the daily experience of entering the house. The firm emulated the Craftsman Bungalow design cues from the home's front entry-hall stair to the second floor, and its careful execution allowed the remodel to blend seamlessly.



OUTDOOR LIVING UNDER \$100,000

MICHAEL NASH DESIGN BUILD & HOMES // FAIRFAX, VA.

PROJECT LOCATION: CHANTILLY, VA.

A family living in a neighborhood that undertakes home improvement frequently finally decided to take on a project of its own. The parents desired more space and wanted their kids to be outside as much as possible, but a shabby deck on the back of their home required attention. Traffic flow and multiple entrances mattered most because the kids often dragged their muddy shoes through the house after being outside. The firm planned for a mudroom behind the garage with its own side entrance plus a back entrance to an airy, high-ceiling covered porch. The porch wraps around and connects to the revamped deck, which features synthetic railing and stained-grade wood and offers extended living space just outside of the kitchen and family room.

INSURANCE RESTORATION

LAMANTIA DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION // BROOKFIELD, ILL.

PROJECT LOCATION: HIGHLAND PARK, ILL.

After recovering from the trauma of a fire in their house, the clients decided to view the soot and water damage as an opportunity to reconfigure and improve their kitchen. The plan focused on developing an open space that would offer more capabilities for each of the seven family members and their two dogs. With the help of two certified kitchen designers, the homeowners achieved the classic kitchen of their dreams—fresh, contemporary, and functional. Eliminating a triangular bump in the back wall of the kitchen helped expand the sense of open space. With the exterior wall straightened, the extra square footage allowed traffic to flow unimpeded through the kitchen to the eating area and around two new islands. The cooking area became the focal point because of its striking wood range hood and its ability to provide additional workspace for easy, everyday meal preparation as well as entertaining.





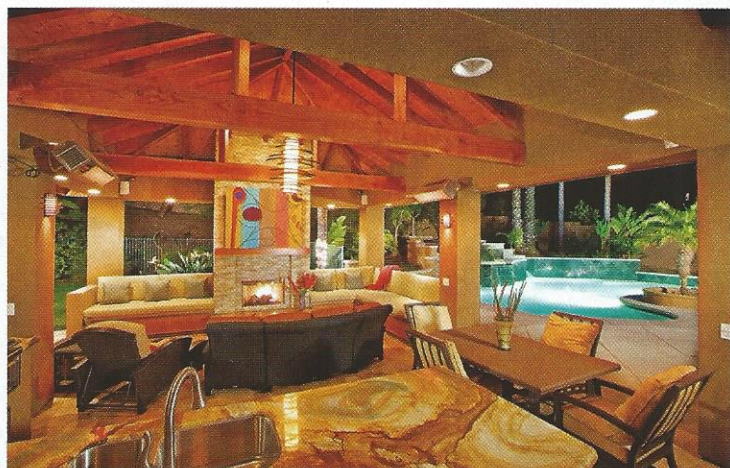
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SILENT RIVERS DESIGN + BUILD // CLIVE, IOWA



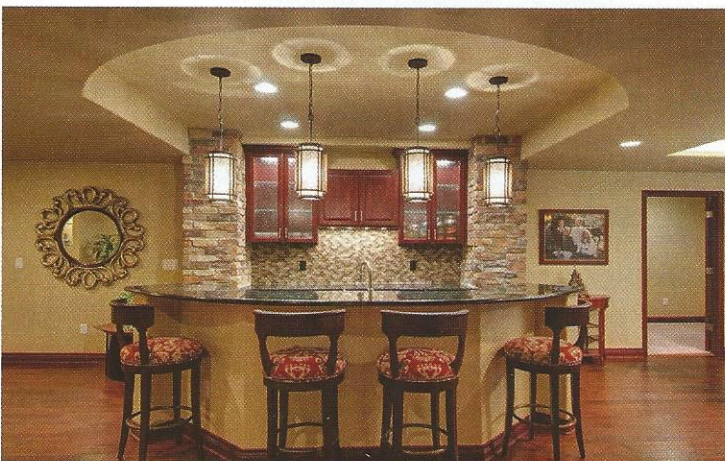
BATHROOM UNDER \$30,000
PAULA MCDONALD DESIGN BUILD - PMD DEVELOPMENT LLC // NEW YORK, N.Y.



COMMERCIAL REMODEL
LANDIS CONSTRUCTION // WASHINGTON, D.C.



DETACHED OUTBUILDING
MARROKAL DESIGN & REMODELING // SAN DIEGO, CALIF.



FINISHED BASEMENT
FINISHED BASEMENT CO. // DENVER, COLO.



KITCHEN OVER \$100,000
MICHAEL NASH DESIGN BUILD & HOMES // FAIRFAX, VA.



ADDITION OVER \$150,000
MARROKAL DESIGN & REMODELING //
SAN DIEGO, CALIF.



ADDITION UNDER \$150,000
MICHAEL NASH DESIGN BUILD & HOMES //
FAIRFAX, VA.



BATHROOM OVER \$60,000
PLATT BUILDERS // GROTON, MASS.



BATHROOM \$30,000 TO \$60,000
MICHAEL NASH DESIGN BUILD & HOMES //
FAIRFAX, VA.



BATHROOM UNDER \$30,000
PURE DESIGN ENVIRONMENTS //
EDEN PRAIRIE, MINN.



COMMERCIAL REMODEL
PURE DESIGN ENVIRONMENTS //
EDEN PRAIRIE, MINN.



FINISHED BASEMENT
FORWARD DESIGN BUILD // ANN ARBOR, MICH.



KITCHEN OVER \$100,000
PAULA MCDONALD DESIGN BUILD - PMD
DEVELOPMENT LLC // NEW YORK, N.Y.



OUTDOOR LIVING OVER \$100,000
DECK REMODELERS // SPARTA, N.J.