

design guide

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Welcome to Drury Design's Spring 2005 *Design Guide*. In this issue, we report on trends to watch.

Our industry's flagship publication, *Kitchen & Bath Design News*, recently reported on International Trends from the Italian Trade Commission's "Luxury in Living" exhibition. The article quotes Carlo Ducci, the exhibitor's curator and editor in chief of *Vogue Italia* on his new definition of luxury: "The new millennium is marked by a far-reaching evolution in the concept of luxury. The vision of luxury as pure ostentation is gone; (rather) luxury is more closely focused on qualities of perception and the relation between object and subject, between product and consumer."

Our clients expect more from their kitchen project than new cabinets, counters and appliances. From the beginning, we invite them to collaborate with us in the design process. Together, we design a system of elements in a space to look and perform exactly the way the client expects them to. If the new definition of luxury is indeed quality in perception and relationships, our clients' kitchens are already very trendy.



EXHIBITING THE ARTISTIC SIDE OF CONTEMPORARY

"What started as a repair to a small hole in the linoleum turned into something wonderful that we worked on together."

- Carol and Marty Vaclavek; Darien, Illinois

HOW IT WAS ACCOMPLISHED

This kitchen is 156 square feet of pure performance. "To get everything to fit, we played with heights and angles," explains Amy Bodell, the designer. A circular butcher block-topped stainless steel faced cabinet anchors the island at one end. A taller, lighted cabinet anchors the other, offering display potential on top and inside. To enlarge the space visually, the tile is set on a diagonal. The tile floor flows continuously from the kitchen into the powder room and the foyer. The Vaclaveks wanted a contemporary look that would be at home in a more traditional setting. While the cabinet style is a sleek European look, the color palette's warm

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Design Notes:

Before: Original 14 year old kitchen; L-shaped peninsula blocked traffic flow

Challenges: Contain design inside existing 12' x 13' space

Client requests: Island, double ovens, built-in refrigerator, warming drawer, pantry storage, dishwasher

Look: Artistic contemporary

Cabinetry: Leicht European cherry, Avium doors with some frosted glass inset panels

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92 projects... 25 communities...

IN 2004, OUR INSTALLATION TEAM COMPLETED 92 PROJECTS THROUGHOUT THE CHICAGO METRO AREA, INCLUDING HOMES IN THESE 25 COMMUNITIES:



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| ARLINGTON HEIGHTS | HINSDALE |
| BARRINGTON | LAKE BARRINGTON |
| BARTLETT | LIBERTYVILLE |
| BENSENVILLE | LISLE |
| CHICAGO | LOMBARD |
| CLARENDON HILLS | NAPERVILLE |
| DARIEN | OAK BROOK |
| DOWNERS GROVE | PALOS PARK |
| ELMHURST | RIVER FOREST |
| GENEVA | RIVERSIDE |
| GLEN ELLYN | WARRENVILLE |
| HAWTHORNE WOODS | WHEATON |
| HIGHLAND PARK | |

The word on trends from Drury's Designers:

FINE FURNITURE MOVES INTO KITCHENS

"Our clients design their kitchens to be their home's own interior showroom. Fine furniture and fabrics, usually reserved for the living room, are now welcome in the kitchen. The kitchen is becoming a visual connector for the whole house. A beautiful hooded cooking hearth is truly the heart of the home." -Tina Watt, AKBD

KITCHENS TAKE OVER FAMILY ROOMS

"Families spend more of their time in the kitchen than any other room in the house. We design kitchens to function as the family's command center. To get a 'family room' look, we vary the color, heights and doors on the cabinetry. We often add technology stations and seating centers." -Lisa Sleckman

MULTIPLE COUNTER SURFACE SOLUTIONS

"Because our clients want to use different counter surfaces in the same kitchen, we offer them lots of choices. Each counter surface solution has different performance and aesthetic functions. You can choose from wood, granite, solid surfaces, concrete and Pyro Lave." -Amy Bodell, CKD, Allied ASID



COLOR WASHES CABINETS – OR NOT

"White cabinets, paired with dark accents, will make a come back. Mixing warmer finishes like cherry or walnut with white updates the all white trend that was so hot in the 80s. Painted cabinetry is also becoming more popular. Our clients often add a vibrant, colorful furniture piece as a focal point in traditional kitchens. More adventurous clients will combine a few different colors in the same room." -Amy Sandack, AKBD

ECLECTIC LOOKS GAIN POPULARITY

"Mixing different cabinetry and finishes gives the kitchen a dynamic feel. Homeowners can blend styles they like for a kitchen that displays their personal style. It's okay to mix and not always match. Contrasting styles often brings out the best of each look." -Joanne Giesel

DRURY DESIGN WELCOMES
TWO NEW ASSISTANT DESIGNERS
TO OUR STAFF



Meet Shelly Little

ASSISTANT DESIGNER

A recent architecture graduate from Judson College's art, design and architecture school in Elgin, Illinois, Shelley's experience includes working for both a commercial and a residential design firm. "I chose Drury Design because of the sense of community and team atmosphere. It's rewarding to see who you're designing for, and I now have more influence in the creative process."



Meet Lisa Peterson

ASSISTANT DESIGNER

A graduate of the Harrington Institute of Interior Design, Lisa also earned her journalism degree at Illinois State University. "As far as kitchen and bath design goes, there's an opportunity for designers to be creative, but there's also a technical element that may not be available to other designers. In this setting, we're allowed to incorporate technologies and create space. This mix is rarely available to even the best commercial designers."

SIX DRURY DESIGNERS EARN
NKBA CERTIFICATIONS

Gail Drury, a former National Kitchen and Bath Association (NKBA) officer and trainer, congratulates these five Drury Design team members on their recent NKBA certifications:

- Amy Bodell, Designer**CKD, Allied ASID
- Amy Sandack, Designer**AKBD
- Sara Brautigam, Assistant Designer**AKBD
- Gladys Schanstra, Assistant Designer**AKBD
- Tina Watt, Designer**.....AKBD

In order to set industry standards for excellence in design, NKBA offers its members a way to advance their skills with continuing education and certification. The Associate Kitchen and Bath Designer (AKBD) designation requires 30 hours of NKBA professional development programming. To be eligible to enter the Certified Kitchen Designer (CKD) designation program, a designer must have at least three years of design experience. The CKD program also requires a minimum of seven years of industry experience and 60 hours of NKBA professional development. In addition to completing professional development, each certification candidate must take exams including drawing and written testing.

ARTISTIC SIDE OF CONTEMPORARY, CONTINUED...



neutrals are more traditional. Because they liked another Drury kitchen that featured art glass, the Vaclavek's decided to make the cooktop backsplash the kitchen's focal point. Set on a stainless steel background, the art glass is etched and painted from the back. The surface is a smooth piece of 3/8" thick glass; it's virtually seamless and maintenance free.

"The use of art glass in a backsplash was a first for our company. We incorporated gold and silver leaf along with the artistically painted glass," said Sheri Law, owner of Sheri Law Art Glass, Ltd. In April 2005, Ms. Law will address the National Kitchen and Bath association on the trend of art glass as a decorative element in the home.



Counters and backsplashes: Yellow Veniziano marble, butcher block

Lighting: Sphere pendant accents, light bridge over cooktop area

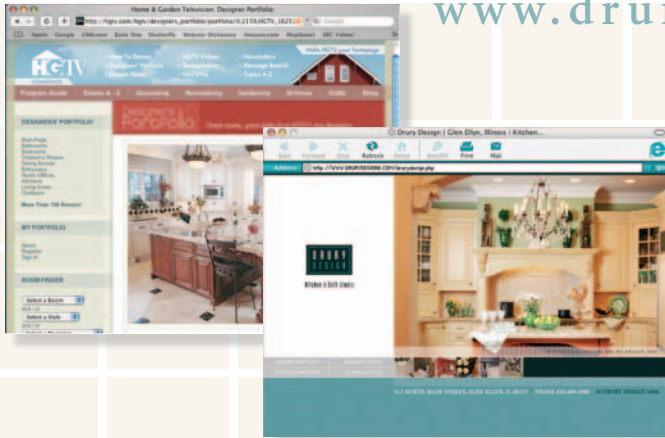
Floors: Mexican shellstone 12"x12"; 4" x 4" glass deco squares pick up colors and add sparkle, all on a diagonal to make the room appear larger

Cooktop Backsplash: Custom, designed by the Vaclaveks and Amy Bodell, created by Sheri Law Art Glass, Ltd.

Appliances: Thermador

"After visiting 12 other showrooms, we were amazed to see so many new things we hadn't seen in other places. Amy gave us lots of ideas and made the process of making choices easy for us." -Carol and Marty Vaclavek; Darien, Illinois

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DRURY DESIGNS ONLINE

Being featured on HGTV's "Fantasy Kitchens" with Joan Kohn qualified Gail Drury for entry into HGTV's Designer Portfolio. Gail's HGTV portfolio features traditional, contemporary, Old World and transitional kitchens. To see Gail's fantasy kitchens online, go to www.hgtv.com and search for these episodes: KDE-1011 and KDE-223.

Visit our online portfolio at www.drurydesigns.com. We'll take you through our studio and into some exquisite kitchens and baths. You'll meet our talented team. And, you can connect directly with our designers.

DRURY DESIGN IN PRINT

Last May, Drury Design was featured on the cover of Kitchen & Bath Design News, an industry publication that goes out to 25,000 members of the National Kitchen and Bath Association (NKBA). Visit www.nkba.org to access consumer tips and tools. The kitchen shown here features an art glass backsplash by Sheri Law Art Glass, Ltd. and is located in Chicago.



SPECIAL EVENTS

SOME ENCHANTED EVENING RAISES FUNDS FOR FAMILY SHELTER SERVICE (SEPT. 2004)

Event partners John Myers of The Westye Group; Karen Kuchar, Family Shelter Service Executive Director; Gail Drury and Jim Drury owners of Drury Design Kitchen and Bath Studio; and Pete Trusiak, Wolf Cooking Instruments Corporate Chef and current holder of the Chicago Iron Chef title, prepare to greet guests at



"Some Enchanted Evening," a benefit for Family Shelter Service held at Drury Design. Chicago Home & Garden also sponsored the event.

NEW STYLES IN THE STUDIO

- Cheng Design's Geocrete counter in a galley kitchen set
- Ultracraft cabinetry partners with a custom Pyro Lave countertop and an art glass backsplash
- In Design: Multi-media entertainment room concept and Wm Ohs Asian Transitions bath



DINNERS BY DESIGN AT THE WESTYE GROUP APRIL 27, 6:30 P.M.

Join us for a complimentary cooking class conducted by Chicago's Iron Chef. Menus highlight the features of Wolf cooktops, ranges and ovens. Guests may also view the wide selection of Wolf and Sub-Zero products in The Westye Group's showroom located in Glendale Heights. Call Drury Design at 630.469.4980 to make your reservation.



FALL SPECIAL EVENT TO CELEBRATE NATIONAL KITCHEN AND BATH MONTH

Drury Design will host a special event to benefit Family Shelter Service. Watch for details in the next Design Guide.

VISIT OUR STUDIO Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm and Saturday 10am - 5pm To schedule a complimentary initial design session, contact us at 630.469.4980.



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