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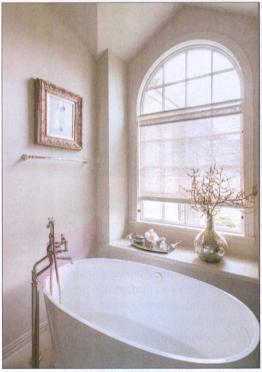
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**AUGUST 2016 FAMILY HOME** Made New Award-Winning BATHROOMS! MEET SUGAR LAND'S NEW MAYOR JoeZimmerman

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walls covered in Schumacher wallpaper evoke serenity. Bed from Ellouise Abbot, Nightstands from Restoration Hardware. Benches at the foot ot the bed from Area. Sofa from the homeowners' former living room sofa was re-upholstered in lush Romo velvet. Bed linens are Leitner from Kuhl Linscomb. Drapery fabric is unlined Dedar taffeta. | An impressive Victoria and Albert soaking tub awaits at the end of the day.

THESE PAGES: Master bedroom

Rather than cater to potential buyers, they decided to make updates they liked themselves and to simply stay in their familiar family home.

after a great meal and fine wine.

"Under Selena's editing guidance," said the wife, "we removed everything from our home that did not work with the final design for a less-is-more aesthetic."

"The most important part of decorating," emphasized the designer, "is not how much you add, but rather what you take away. There is a huge value in the negative space, just like in art. And decoration is art."

The couple loves their new master suite and outdoor garden area. The shower was enlarged and unnecessary angles in the ceiling were removed. Brighter colors were incorporated to add some pop. Outdoors, a lush new garden provides privacy and creates a little haven even in a small space.

The couple couldn't be happier about staying put. They still enjoy their neighborhood as much as they did back when they first moved in. They love that people gather outside in each other's yards and in the pocket parks just to connect for a moment or two or to enjoy entire block parties. "Here people live side-byside, not just to reside, but to truly connect with each other as life-long friends and neighbors," said the husband.

The couple describes their new home as a sanctuary. It contains the history of where they've raised their family and memories of special moments in their lives, including celebrations and holidays with their late parents. Inside these walls their family has enjoyed and experienced life, and the renovation gives them just the right space for the way they live right now.

## Outstanding Bath Designers Show off Their Work

Winning baths and powder rooms make a splash at NKBA



he winners of this year's National Kitchen & Bath Association (NKBA) design competiton show a steady stream of imaginative design solutions for challenges that included a badly designed original layout, a bath shared by a home theater and a guest bedroom, a need for expanded space, the client's desire to hear a flowing stream outside, and individual client desires for European touches, specialty finishes, contemporary upgrades and classic/vintage touches.

More than 30 designers earned top honors across six main and eight specialty kitchen and bath categories at the award ceremony held in January. A panel of six industry experts evaluated nearly 400 entries for projects from across the U.S. and Canada. The NKBA Kitchen Design winners were featured in the July issue of Lifestyles & Homes.

This year's competition was was supported by (Diamond) Jenn-Air; (Platinum) Monogram; (Gold) Delta Faucet and The Home Depot; and (Silver) 2020, Rev-A-Shelf and DuPont.

Whether you are going to build a new home, remodel your existing one or want to get ideas, these innovated designs will get your imagination flowing.

## Best Bath Tanya L. Woods, AKBD, XSTYLES Bloomfield Hills, Michigan

The Mystic Oasis - The client was not satisfied with the original architectural layout of the master bath that had two separate vanities across the room from each other, two separate water closets, an obtrusive peninsula tub deck in the middle of the room, and a small shower out of scale with the rest of this 260-square-foot space. Working with the constraints of being unable to deviate too much from the original plan, the designer planned for the arced wall, removed one water closet, plumbed the new double vanity wall, and also moved electrical to key locations. Opposite the arced shower wall is the Amalfi tub against the modular Arts Bloom panels. The custom double vanity creates a visually striking triangle amidst these three elements. The choice of the Oceanside Blu iridescent glass mosaic and the Sherwin Williams Quest Gray paint are motivated by the clients' spirituality and love for the color purple. The room is contemporary and linear, but softened by the floral curves of the modular Arts and arced shower wall. The new serene lavout creates a sense of togetherness.

## Powder Room: First Place Lori Carroll, Lori Carroll & Associates Tucson, Arizona

Co-designers: Esthela J. Celaya, Originate Interior Design LLC; Debra Gelety, Lori Carroll and Associates

The Rays of Dusk – The rich hues in the specialty paint finish and a glass-bead wall covering became the backdrop for layers of light. Hand-formed, angle-cut crystal rods are infused with mineral crystalline that creates a spectacular display over the vanity. Another level of lighting provides depth as it illuminates the polished onyx countertop and glass sink from underneath. Textured metal banding serves as backsplash and apron around the countertop. The crystalline sconces spotlight the beautiful



