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Thus was the case at the Christopher Kennedy Compound, part of the 2016 Modernism Week Showhouse. Eighteen designers and Kennedy himself transformed a gem of a midcentury home nestled in the outskirts of Palm Springs.

The entry by **Colin Blanchard** and **Kenneth McRobbie** evokes modern desert living with a worldly aura. “We envisioned homeowners who love art and quality pieces that reflect craftsmanship and enduring beauty,” Blanchard says. To create a better connection with the courtyard and increase natural light, the duo replaced the original wood doors with glass. A table with a carved-wood base by McGuire breaks up the symmetrical space while stone pedestals topped with antique Asian jars anchor each niche. Portable iron ottomans with leather seats accompany the arrangement. Circa Lighting’s cubist chandelier optimizes negative space overhead.

A majestic equine diptych greets guests in the living room by **Michael Berman**. To reflect pretty sunsets, the designer also installed a wall of mirrors. But the addition came with obstacles: “It was impossible to hang anything on them and they reflected everything, so we’d end up with duplicates,” Berman says. To minimize reflections, he created the slender floor lamps with opaque cylindrical shades.

Blue velvet and oyster-hued chenille from Kravet cover the swivel chairs and boomerang-shape sectional sofa with plush channeling. Lacquered “Dimple” tables are by Berman for Theodore Alexander.

The lush exterior by **Jamie Durie** beckons beyond the living room windows. Frontgate’s aluminum-and-teak dining table and coordinating chairs take in views of the pool and golf course. Chaise longues encourage visitors to relax and catch some rays. The garage is outfitted with Clopay exterior garage doors.

With its reflective ceiling, large-scale diptych, and stunning Murano glass chandelier, the dining room by **Martyn Lawrence Bullard** leaves a lasting impression. “It’s high 1960s design with a true Palm Springs moment,” the designer says. Bullard custom-designed the chrome geometric wallcovering. Vintage Paul Evans chairs upholstered in emerald leather surround a white pedestal table. The Rug Company’s goat-hide rug adds softness to what is a tantalizing space. “After all, a room can be just as delicious as a meal,” he adds.

A vintage Billy Haines sofa that once belonged to former pro football player Gene Howard jump-started the den’s design. “It was in my inventory and I hadn’t restored it, so this was a perfect opportunity to bring it back to life,” says designer **Patrick Dragonette**. Together



MASTER BEDROOM
JULIA BUCKINGHAM



MASTER BATH
KELLI ELLIS

settee in Romo's spray-dyed viscose velvet. Murano glass lamps with twisted hips flirt with the vintage cowboy art above the console. The brass cactus sculpture is on loan from the designer's Phoenix home.

To brighten the master bath and expose its incredible backdrop, **Kelli Ellis** knocked out the vanity wall and replaced it with a window. "I wanted to see that gorgeous mountain view," she says. Suspended mirrors crown the marble-look countertop from Dekton by Cosentino. Stud-like white tiles form a focal-point wall behind the tub. Ferguson's contemporary pendant light caps the texture-filled respite.

"It's a glamorous cocoon where a lady indulges in the art of dressing," **Kelly Lee** says of the dressing room. A polka-dot desk, faux-fur stool, and playful banana-leaf wallcovering offer an upbeat spot to preen and prep. To ensure the space is organized, Lee outfitted the oasis with a custom TCS Closets system from The Container Store. A black-and-white-striped bench with acrylic legs provides a perch for putting on shoes. Glass pulls, colorful clothing, and a glitzy pendant light serve as finishing touches. The area rug is from Stanton Carpet.

Carson Kressley didn't skimp on bold hues when it came to the sassy teen bedroom. "It's a riot of color that's super fun," says the designer. To achieve an "updated '70s vibe," Kressley coated the ceiling

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Fine Art, fineartpublishing.com. **Audio, shades and lighting controls:** Crestron, crestron.com.

Interior designer: Patrick Dragonette, Dragonette Ltd., 711 N. La Cienega Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90069; 310/855-9091, dragonetteltd.com.

PAGE 114. DEN—Wallcovering ("Tahoe"/Icecap #WL410-12); Hartmann & Forbes, hfshades.com. **Ceiling and trim paint** ("Pro White" #33-4); Pratt & Lambert, prattandlambert.com. **Light fixture** ("Nautilus Star"); Collected by Jason Koharik, collectedby.com. **Audio, shades and lighting controls:** Crestron, crestron.com. **Area rug** (#19559, Contemporary Collection); Woven, wovonline.com. **Sofa** ("William Haines" sofa); **chairs** (vintage "Glossics Lucite Chair," from Grosfeld House Furniture); Dragonette Ltd., dragonetteltd.com. **Sofa fabric** ("Toile Chenonceau"/Oyster); **chair fabric** ("Ismini"/Natural #324/02, by GSD, George Spencer Design); **stool fabric** ("Toile Milano" #505); **throw pillows** with center button ("Makeba"/Vanilla #318/02, by GSD, George Spencer Design); **pillows** with zig-zag pattern ("Matelas de Laine"/Ecrú); **blue pillows** ("Toile Milano" #505); **pillow** at right on sofa ("Quantock" #QUAN-008, by Fermoie); Claremont Furnishing, claremontfurnishing.com. **Side table** ("Chicago"); **lamp table** ("Diego"); **stool** ("Sheep of Another Color Portola Stool"); Dragonette Private Label, dragonetteltd.com. **Cocktail table** ("Vintage Modern Italian Brass Cocktail Table"); **celebrity photographs** (by Sid Avery); **egg-form boxes** on coffee table (vintage); **box** on coffee table (brass and enamel); **turquoise vase** on side table (vintage Chinese crackleware); **centaur figure** on side table (vintage); Dragonette Ltd., dragonetteltd.com. **Tile flooring** (White Quartz, 24x24-inch tile); Tilebar, tilebar.com.

Interior designer: Jamie Durie, Durie Design, 8033 Sunset Blvd., Suite 427, Los Angeles, CA 90046; 323/654-2206, jamiedurie.com.

PAGE 115. PATIO, DINING AREA—Dining table ("Brizo Aluminum/Teak Dining Table" #143190, by Porta Forma); **dining chairs** ("Brizo Dining Armchair with Cushion" #143031, by Porta Forma); **chair fabric** ("Sunbrella Modern Flax Dove"); Frontgate, frontgate.com. **Area rug** ("Cross-Blue," Tranterior Collection by Jamie Durie Signature); The Rug Collection, therugcollection.au. **Tall black-and-white lights** in right foreground ("Basket Dreaming Totem Lights"); Jamie Durie, jamiedurie.com. **Planters** ("Rocco Planter" #144921, by Porta Forma); Frontgate, frontgate.com. **Plantings:** Monrovia, monrovia.com. **Pool construction and all hardscape:** Teserra, teserraoutdoors.com. **Pool tile** ("Egyptian Glass"/Blue Pearl Mix #EG34, 1x1 inch); Daltile, daltile.com.

Interior designer: Christopher Kennedy, Christopher Kennedy Home Furnishings & Interior Design, 1590 South Palm Canyon Dr., Palm Springs, CA 92264; 760/325-3214, christopherkennedy.com.

PAGES 116-117. KITCHEN—Wallcovering ("Jack's Jungle"/White on Putty Manila Hemp #5333); Phillip Jeffries, phillipjefries.com. **Pocketing window and door:** LaCantina Doors, lacantindoors.com. **White cabinetry** ("Dallas" door style in high gloss "Icy White"); **dark brown cabinetry** ("Vancouver" door style in satin "Walnut"); **taupe cabinetry** ("Vetro" door style in satinato "Bronze Glass"); Eggersmann, eggersmann.com. **Backsplash tile** ("Waveline," by Island Stone); Formation Stone, formationstone.com. **Perimeter countertop and table** (color "Halo," XGlass Solid Collection); Dekton by Cosentino, dekton.com. **Island countertop** (color "Chrome," Platinum Series); Silestone by Cosentino, silestoneusa.com. **Flooring** (White Quartz 24x24-inch tile); Tilebar, tilebar.com. **Range top** (Benchmark Series 36-inch Induction Cooktop #NITP666UC, by Bosch); **wall ovens** (Benchmark Series 30-inch Single Wall Oven #HBLP451UC and Benchmark Series 30-inch Steam Convection Oven #HSLP451UC, by Bosch); **microwave** ("800 Series 24-inch Drawer Microwave" #HMD8451UC, by Bosch); **refrigerator** (by Bosch); **pull-down faucets** ("Sync Pull-Down Single-Lever Mixer," by Dornbracht); **hot water dispenser** ("Tara Ultra Hot Water Dispenser" #1786187500, by Dornbracht); **sink** ("Undermount Double Bowl Kitchen Sink," by Mirabelle); **perimeter ceiling light** ("Reveal, 24VDC Plaster-In LED System," by Pure Lighting); **pendant lights** ("Harper," "Prescott," and "Quinton" by Tech Lighting); Ferguson, ferguson.com. **Bar stools** ("Latte Bar Stool"/White #100247); Zuo, zuomod.com. **Accessories:** Williams-Sonoma, williams-sonoma.com.

Interior designer: Michel Boyd, Michel Smith Boyd and Smith Boyd Interiors, 455 Glen Iris Dr., Suite G., Atlanta, GA 30308; 404/402-4224, michelsmithboyd.com.

PAGE 117. POWDER ROOM—Wallcovering ("Moonlight," from Area Environments); Coup D'Etat, coupdetats.com. **Vanity:** custom. **Countertop** (Cemento, Mythology Series); Silestone by Cosentino, silestoneusa.com. **Vase** on vanity; **pedestal dish** on vanity holding stones; vintage. **Flooring** (White Quartz, 24-24-inch tiles); Tilebar, tilebar.com. **Sink** ("Verticyl"/White #K-2882); Kohler, kohler.com. **Faucet**

("MEM Three-Hole Lavatory Mixer" #20728782, by Dornbracht); Ferguson, ferguson.com. **Mirror** ("Autero Mirror" #DD2004); Arteriors, arteriorshome.com. **Ceiling light** ("Strada Medium Flush Mount" #KW4070); **science** ("Cooper Sconce"/Bronze #S2090, with natural paper shade); Circa Lighting, circalighting.com. **Bench** under vanity (by Milo Baughman); **fabric** (mohair); vintage. **Photo** in gold frame by vanity (*Night and Day*, by Elena Zolotnitsky); Pryor Fine Art, pryorfineart.com. **Photographs**, on wall (by Todd Alexander); Swook Curated Consignment, 404/869-0042. **Table** by photographs ("Marble-Rose Gold Pedestal Table"); CB2, cb2.com. **Vase** on table ("Blanc Pop Vase"); Kelly Wearstler, kellywearstler.com.

Interior designer: Keith Fortner for Studio Kennedy, Christopher Kennedy Home Furnishings & Interior Design, 1590 South Palm Canyon Dr., Palm Springs, CA 92264; 760/325-3214, christopherkennedy.com.

PAGE 117. DEN BATH—Wallcovering by vanity ("Bucktown" #WL382); Hartmann & Forbes, hfshades.com. **Tile** on far wall ("Agate Taiko," by Lunda Bay Tile); Formation, formationstone.com. **Tile flooring** (White Quartz 24x24-inch tile); Tilebar, tilebar.com. **Countertop** ("Yukon Blanco," Rivers Series); Silestone by Cosentino, silestoneusa.com. **Sink** (#MIRU173WH Undermount Bathroom Sink, by Mirabelle); **sink faucets** ("IMO Single Lever Lavatory Mixer" #33500670, by Dornbracht); **sconces** ("Modernist" one-light sconce/Polished Stainless with Silver and Gold Leaf, #207-11, by Corbett Lighting); Ferguson, ferguson.com. **Mirror** ("Ada's Mirror" #3.30172); Global Views, globalviews.com. **Accessories:** Dragonette Ltd., dragonetteltd.com. **Towels:** through Nandina Organics, nandinagreen.com.

Interior designer: Denise McGaha, Denise McGaha Interiors, 3001 Maple Ave., Suite 502, Dallas TX 75201; 972/869-4914, denisemcgha.com.

PAGE 117. LAUNDRY ROOM—Wallpaper ("Reeds," in custom color and scale); Fromental, fromental.co.uk. **Cabinetry** (designed by Denise McGaha Interiors); Rocky Point Cabinetry, rockypointcabinetry.com. **Cabinetry paint** ("Whirlpool Blue" #22-16, high gloss); Pratt & Lambert, prattandlambert.com. **Cabinetry hardware** ("Transparency-02"/Satin Brass); Nest Studio, nest-studio-home.com. **Countertops** (Splendor Solid Collection/White); Dekton XGlass, by Cosentino, dekton.com. **Washer** (24-inch Compact Washer, by Bosch); **dryer** (24-inch Compact Dryer, by Bosch); Ferguson, ferguson.com. **Tile flooring** (White Quartz 24x24-inch tile); Tilebar, tilebar.com. **Chandelier** ("Baypointe Large Chandelier" #9712, discontinued); Currey & Co., curreycodealers.com. **Accessories** ("Glass Canisters with Glass Lids"; "Date Leaf Rectangular Basket," discontinued; for similar, "Rectangular Water Hyacinth Tapered Basket"); The Container Store, containerstore.com. **Abstract painting** on wall (by Harry Day, 1960s); **abstract painting** on shelf (by Kelly O'Neal); **abstract marble sculpture** (artist unknown); Bridges Over Time, through 1st Dibs, 1stdibs.com.

Interior designer: Julia Buckingham, Buckingham Interiors + Design, 1820 W. Grand Ave., Chicago, IL 60622; 312/243-9975, buckinghamid.com.

PAGE 118. MASTER BEDROOM—Wallpaper (#718-1/Lilac Ash); Lindsay Cowles, lindsaycowles.com. **Paint** ("Pro White" #33-4); Pratt & Lambert, prattandlambert.com. **Tile flooring** (White Quartz 24x24-inch tile); Tilebar, tilebar.com. **Area rug** ("Oriental Birds" by Paul Smith); The Rug Co., therugcompany.com/us. **Bed** (custom, "Sun Bed"); **bed fabric** ("Silk Velvet"); Bradley, bradley-usa.com. **Mattress** (custom); Custom Comfort Mattress, customcomfortmattress.com. **Coverlet** ("Charmeuse Channel Quilt Coverlet"/Ivory, by Ann Gish); **duvet** ("Tigriss"/Steel by Ann Gish); **beige pillow shams** ("Charmeuse Sham with French Knots"/Frost, by Ann Gish); **patterned shams** ("Rorschach Velvet," by Kevin O'Brien); Bedside Manor, bedsidemanor.com. **Pair of console tables/nightstands** ("Reba"); **dresser** ("Bernard"); Bradley, bradley-usa.com. **Table lamps** ("Venus de Milo Murano Lamps"/Alabaster, on Lucite plinths); Swank Lighting, swanklighting.com. **Settee** (vintage); designed by Julia Buckingham Interiors & Design, buckinghamid.com. **Settee fabric** ("Viridis"/Zinnia #7661/04, by Black Edition); Romo, romo.com. **Art** (mixed media crystals & gemstones, by Sarah Raskey); Sarah Raskey Fine Art, sarahraskey.com. **Art** above dresser (midcentury cowboy portrait); Julia Buckingham Interiors & Design, buckinghamid.com.

Interior designer: Kelli Ellis, Kelli Ellis Interiors Inc., 31441 Santa Margarita Pkwy, Suite A365, Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688; 888/649-0614, kelliellis.com.

PAGE 118. MASTER BATHROOM—Wallpaper ("Breeze"/White #TR8632); Romosa Wallcoverings, romosawall.com. **Wall tile** (#TS977528 Tile); Trendy Surfaces, trendyurfacesinc.com. **Tile flooring** (White Quartz 24x24-inch); Tilebar, tilebar.com. **Bathtub** ("Barcelona Bath," by Victoria + Albert); **bath faucets** ("Lulu Single Lever Mixer for Freestanding Installation, on Riser" #25963710, by Dornbracht); **towel bar** ("CL1 Towel Bar" 23 3/8 inches, #83060705, by Dornbracht);



color of fine china, in the kitchen to warm taupe and flax. A medley of soft blues melds with smoky plums and grays, plus touches of sleek black in every room.

The glossy black pops in Courtney's office and in the glam bar, tucked in a handy central location under the stairs. Outdoors, on a freshly created back patio, black paint coats sliding barn doors that open to reveal another bar and a television. "It's a great place to entertain," Courtney says. "We love to invite friends over and watch football games out there.

"This is just such an inviting home," she concludes. "It's a great house all the way around—the perfect first house for our family." ❏

Interior designer: Courtney Giles

Architect: William B. Litchfield **Stylist:** Thea Beasley

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Master bedroom An antique bench covered in embroidered velvet sits at the foot of an airy canopy bed softened with a fabric headboard and luxe linens.
Master bath A light-filled niche holds a freestanding soaking tub. Sheer café curtains provide privacy without blocking sunlight.

