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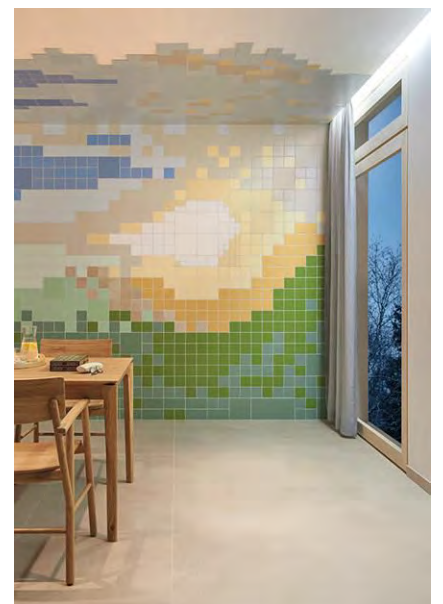
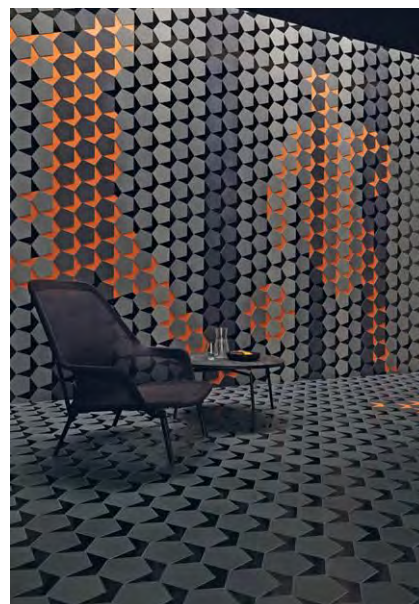


## On the Surface

**FOR FRESH INSPIRATION** on colors and patterns for tilework, look no further than the winning submissions to the fourth annual International Newcomer Competition 2017 Tile Award, a juried contest, that has as its brief “make the most of possible designs using ceramic tiles.” The top designs were *Transmittance* by Avishkar Bharati of **JDAP Design-Architecture-Planning** in Mumbai, India; *RE: Tile* by Andreas Crynen of **Ingenhoven Architects** in Düsseldorf, Germany; and *Stay Unique* by Agnes Tröger-Morguet of **Agnes Morguet Innenarchitektur & Design**, in Cologne, Germany.

Whittled down to three from nine finalists out of an initial 63 entries from 20 countries, the winners had the opportunity to have their designs built as 1:1 models.

In a bonus event, finalists also met in fall 2017 for a workshop in Iceland where they had an opportunity to pitch their ideas to German tile manufacturer **Agrob Buchtal**, which sponsors the contest.—*Kelly Beamon*



### THREE'S THE CHARM

Clockwise from the top: The Tile Awards' winning installations are *Transmittance* by Avishkar Bharati, *Stay Unique* by Agnes Tröger-Morguet, and *RE: Tile* by Andreas Crynen.



### REDI YOUR WAY

**MANUFACTURER:** Tile Redi

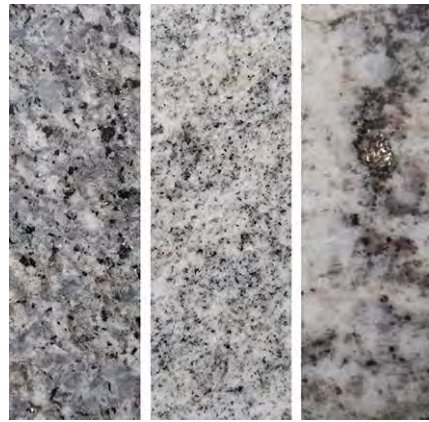
**PERFORMANCE:** These one-piece, leakproof shower pans come with integrated drains, thresholds, and splash walls.

**PRICE RANGE:** \$

**APPLICATIONS:** Surface overlays are available in a variety of colors to suit residential renovation projects, especially those with multiple units.

**TILEREDI.COM**

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### SENSA

**MANUFACTURER:** Cosentino

**PERFORMANCE:** This easy-to-maintain granite surfacing is available in a wide range of veinings and textures.

**PRICE RANGE:** \$\$-\$\$\$

**APPLICATIONS:** Sensa slabs are recommended for kitchen counter tops and exterior applications, and can be specified with stain protection.

**COSENTINO.COM**

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### MEDINA TILE COLLECTION

**MANUFACTURER:** StoneImpressions

**PERFORMANCE:** This artisan-style tile is available in Carrara marble or Limestone, for interior and exterior use.

**PRICE RANGE:** \$\$\$

**APPLICATIONS:** Inspired by Mediterranean culture and colors, with accents of onyx and turquoise, Medina Tile is ideal for residential applications.

**STONEIMPRESSIONS.COM**

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### SUBWAY! JEWEL GLASS MOSAIC

**MANUFACTURER:** New Ravenna

**PERFORMANCE:** Part of the company's KIDDO Collection, this mosaic tile is made with waterjet cutting technology.

**PRICE RANGE:** \$\$

**APPLICATIONS:** Decorative tile recommended for residential and commercial use.

**NEURAVENNA.COM**

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**KEY** \$=VALUE, \$\$=MID-RANGE, \$\$\$=HIGH-END

## Pattern Play

**CEMENT TILE** has been trending as a way to add texture and spark to residential spaces because of its matte finish and association with bold patterns. A case in point is Brooklyn firm **4|Mativ**'s update of a 50-square-foot master bathroom, as part of a townhouse renovation that won the firm a spot among Record's noted annual Kitchen & Bath projects (Record, September 2018).

Architect Priya Patel and interior designer Esther Beke, the firm's principals, specified the **Cement Tile Shop**'s tile on the floor of the big upstairs bath to abstract the patterned wallpaper used in a smaller downstairs bathroom. The wallcovering itself echoes patterns on cozy Pendleton blankets.

To amp up the master bath's comfort level, the designers added radiant heating under the floor tiles and built wall-mounted cubbies for toiletries on either side of a new walnut double vanity. True to 4|Mativ's philosophy that baths and kitchens should "add quality to a client's life," the bold tile has brought a sense of drama to the family's daily routines. —*Diana Mosher*



### GO BOLD

Designers of this master bathroom chose this cement tile for its pattern. Its thin glaze and delicate clay body are best suited to low-traffic residential spaces.

