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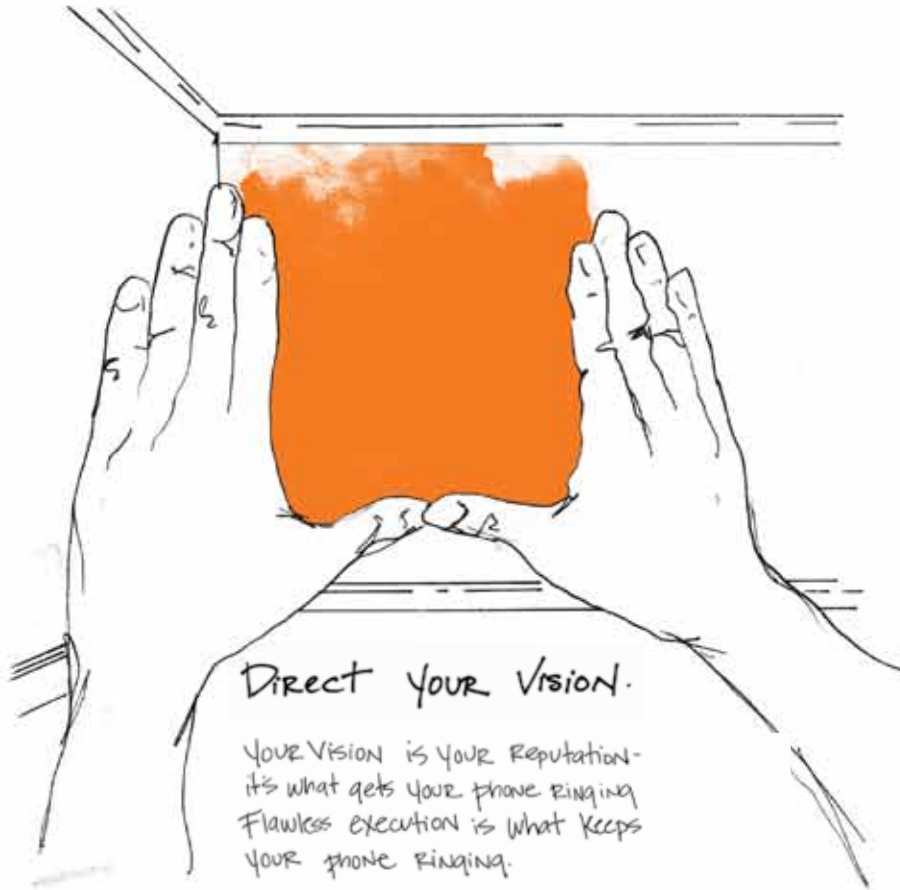
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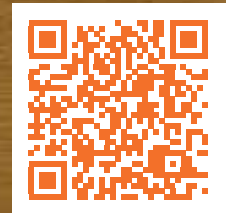
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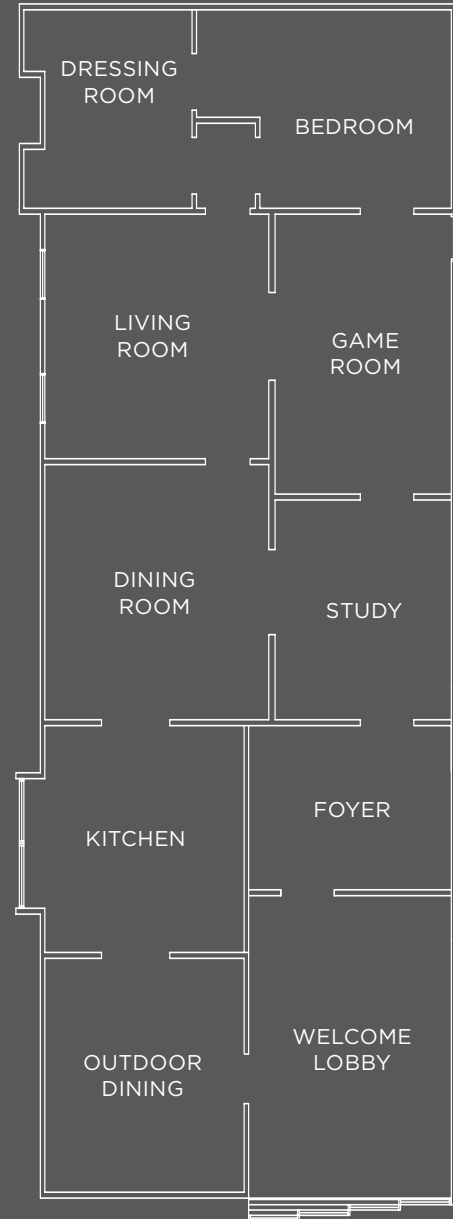
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As designers, we are always inspired by classic, sophisticated design which remains timeless.

In designing the Welcome Lobby, we began with the basic principle—Function. The form of the design followed quite naturally. Using classic furnishings, in a minimal setting, the space becomes both functional and aesthetically pleasing.

The 2011 introduction of Maya Romanoff’s iridescent Mother of Pearl wall tiles contributes a beautiful soft luster to sleek existing space which was designed in white and platinum grey. We strived to create a simple yet elegant ambiance, as entry into the DreamHome, which always showcases the finest design talent and home furnishings.

### **Video-The Making of DreamHome**

A welcoming seating area with Edmund sectional by The Bright Group creates a space to relax and watch an informative video about the DreamHome designers and the making of the DreamHome.

### **Concierge Desk**

Lastly, the Valcucine consultation desk creates a convenient space for concierge to greet each guest and introduce them to DreamHome and discuss the many opportunities offered to homeowners. Ask the concierge how to make an appointment with our Designer-On-Call for a one-hour complimentary design consultation.







## SPECIAL THANKS

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Francine Turk

## RESOURCES

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Round Bowls and Phoenix Day  
Small Floor Lamp

**Ann Sacks**  
Trim Tile

**Benjamin Moore**  
Paint, Black

**BRADLEY HUGHES**  
Console and Ottoman

**David Sutherland Showroom**  
Reagan Hayes Armchair

**Design Atelier - Modern**  
Chandelier

**Dessin Fournir**  
Round Mirror and Side Table

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First impressions are vital. A foyer has the responsibility to set the tone for the entire home. This particular interior strives to be dynamic, refined and glamorous simultaneously. The horizontal striping immediately adds energy and the floating staircase is sculptural in and of itself. The silk rug is artfully designed and the chandelier above takes note of iconic art of the 1950's. The sumptuous mohair, burnished mirrors and glimmering glass are all textures that allure any visitor. Ideally this foyer is not a room to slight but a room to linger.







## RESOURCES

### **Benjamin Moore**

Base and Trim Paint, White Dove

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Ochre Pale Horn Pulls, Ochre Scorpion  
Double Head Lamp,  
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Today, most of us can conduct business with a laptop, tablet or smart phone. Since the “office” can be carried in a pocket or bag, designing an office at home is about creating a retreat for reading, study and the occasional meeting. A personal place, absent of clutter and overload, promotes creativity and allows one’s best thinking to take place. This study is a place for solace, uninterrupted concentration and purposeful collaboration. Neutral materials create a tableau for comfortable industry. The artwork is selected for peaceful reflection and contemplation. This study is a comfortable, personal space for work and repose.







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## RESOURCES

**Baker Knapp & Tubbs**  
Anneau Chandelier

**Benjamin Moore**  
Trim Paint, 1610 French Beret

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Sofa, Lounge Chairs, Bar Cabinet,  
Coffee Table

**Creative Visions**  
Jack Sculpture on Coffee Table

**deAurora**  
Backgammon Table,  
Hexagonal Sculptures on Coffee Table

**Donghia**  
Porta Romana Floor Lamp

**Edelman Leather**  
Custom Coasters

**Henredon**  
Barbara Barry Chairs at Game Table,  
Maitland-Smith Foosball Table

**Holly Hunt**  
Therien Workshop Side Tables,  
Phillip Jeffries Wallcovering

**Jean de Merry**  
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**Museum Works Galleries**  
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Custom Throw Pillows

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# GAME ROOM



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## RESOURCES

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Round Side Tables

**Holly Hunt**  
Sofa - Cameron Collection, Fabric for  
Pillows, Sofa, Ottoman,  
and Console Table

**John Rosselli**  
Jaspar/Michael S. Smith Hunan Coffee  
Table and Treviso Armchair

**Mike Bell, Inc.**  
Accessories

**Michaelian & Kohlberg**  
Accessories

**Nancy Corzine**  
Upholstered Chairs

**Samuel & Sons**  
Trim on Pillows and Drapery

**Stark Carpet**  
Rug

## SPECIAL THANKS

Linda McFadden  
Andrew Gray  
Chuck Fisher  
Lauren Geiss  
John Fraser artist  
Tres Jolie  
Erik Swain  
Jeff Lescher

# LIVING ROOM



## RJA DESIGN

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My passion for designing this room, as well as all rooms I design, is simply to create environments that are stimulating to the senses. Formality was not part of the picture when I filled the room with an eclectic mix of furniture and objects d'art... some serious, some serendipitous. The balance comes from a deliberate contrast of style and century. Color, texture, comfort, form and function. Please, make yourself at home!







# DINING ROOM



## SEMELSNOW INTERIOR DESIGN, INC.

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The Dining Room evokes glamour and sophistication while still providing ease of use. A rich monochromatic color scheme serves as the backdrop to an energetic mix of textures, finishes and furnishings. Careful blending of both smooth and rough surfaces is the key to the room's depth. Selections have been made to allow for flexibility making the space function just as easily for large scale entertaining or intimate gatherings.

## RESOURCES

### AREA International

Matsuoka Bubbles Table  
 Jonathan Franc Alyssa Chair

### Benjamin Moore

Trim Paint, 2115-20 Incense Stick

### Bright Group

Evan Lewis Benches

### Cowtan & Tout

Drapery Fabric

### deAurora

Artifacts International Sun Valley  
 Iron Dining Table, Ferris Wheel

### Design Atelier - Modern

Maurice Etagere Wood and  
 Metal Shelf

### Dessin Fournir Companies

Books

### Donghia

Sofa Pillow Fabric

### Edelman Leather

Barcode Rug- Cavallini in the Wild-  
 Sea Lion

### Henredon

Banquette Sofa

### Hickory Chair/ Pearson

Host and Hostess Chairs

### Holly Hunt

Corbin Bronze Sculptures,  
 Serge Hélénon Painting, Donal Sultan  
 Photographs, Bronze Column Floor  
 Lamp, Black Lustre Stone,  
 Spirit Bottles, Ivory Sea Urchin

### Interior Crafts

Elephant, Lucite Lotus Flowers,  
 Small Round Silver Box

### LALIQUE

Les Eleens Vase, Table Settings

### Maya Romanoff

Kyoto Weaves Wallcovering

### Mike Bell

Ironies Vase

### Remains Lighting

Tony Duquette California Sunburst  
 Chandelier

### Robert Allen | Beacon Hill

Fabric for Sofa, Pillows, Benches,  
 Host and Hostess Chair

### RODOLPH

Brimar Pillow Trim and Hardware for Window  
 Treatment

### Stark Carpet

Kidney Pillow Fabric

## SPECIAL THANKS

Tip Top Builders, Millwork and Windows

Zirlin Interiors, Fabrication of  
 Window Treatments

Al Vivo, Custom Upholstery







## SPECIAL THANKS

Miele  
 Avenue Metal  
 Glass Works  
 Grothouse Lumber  
 Hafele  
 Granite Innovation  
 April 7's Framing  
 Schaaf Windows

## RESOURCES

**Benjamin Moore**  
 Wall Paint, AC-36 Shenandoah Taupe,  
 Trim Paint, White

**BRADLEY HUGHES**  
 Tori Chandelier,  
 Ferrah Sconces,  
 Donna Hughes Art Pieces #10

**Hendredon**  
 Barbara Barry Bowmont Side Chair

**K & B Galleries**  
 Franke Stainless Sink,  
 Rohl Bridge Faucet with Side Spray

**Katonah Architectural Hardware**  
 Cabinetry Knobs and Handles

**Pindler & Pindler**  
 Window Covering Fabric

**Plain and Fancy**  
 Custom Cabinetry

**Sherrill Collection**  
 Antique Silver Bottles, Crystal Bottles,  
 White Cut Out Bowl,  
 Silver Cut Out Vase

**Sub-Zero Wolf Showroom**  
 Wolf 48" Dual Fuel Range - Wolf Pro  
 Liner for Hood - Column Refrigerator,  
 Freezer and Wine Frige

# KITCHEN



### PLAIN AND FANCY BY DANDAMUDI'S, INC.

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Your kitchen should be a piece of art for everyone to experience. Families gather in this space for a night-in or while hosting a party. This room should be elegant and timeless with clean lines and subtle detailing. A great kitchen should marry beautiful design and materials for a highly functional workspace. Since this room inevitably becomes the center of your home, I believe in creating the space out of durable materials and finishes that will hold up against daily use. When I sit down with my clients we talk about the style that appeals to them and we also spend time discussing how they will use their kitchen. We talk about anything from whether they enjoy cooking, to their favorite dishes and how often they entertain. From these answers I know how to create a beautifully functional space. Together we can find a balance to create your *Dream Kitchen!*







## SPECIAL THANKS

Lillj's Landscape & Co.  
 Deign Sewing for Custom Pillows  
 and Pergola Drapery

## RESOURCES

### **Anacara Company**

Outdoor Pergola, Console Table,  
 Lounge Chairs

### **AREA International**

Faux Stone Wallcovering

### **Benjamin Moore**

Trim Paint, 2132-40 Eclipse

### **C.A.I. Designs**

Orange Ceramic Vase,  
 Silver Plated Leaf, Stone Figures

### **Creative Visions**

Chandelier

### **David Sutherland Showroom**

Outdoor Rechargeable Lamps

### **Granite & Marble Resources**

Tile Floor

### **Jardin de Ville**

Outdoor Dining Arm Chairs

### **JANUS et Cie**

Chrome Bulb Receiver,  
 Koi Ceramic Bowl

### **Lloyd / Flanders**

Outdoor Dining Table, Decorative  
 Wall Lanterns

### **Pindler & Pindler**

Sunbrella Outdoor Fabric for Drapery  
 and Pillows

### **Porcelanosa USA**

Stone Retaining Wall

### **Three Friends Antiques**

Petrified Wood

### **Zeeba Home**

Chrome Side Table / Stool

# OUTDOOR DINING



## THOMAS BUCHERIE DESIGNS

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Bringing the indoors out. A home's exterior space needs to be a reflection of your personality, and of the design happening inside the home. Choosing a furniture style, fabrics, lighting or art that you would just as much want to live with indoors - makes for a comfortable, stylish outdoors. Layer textures and materials, mix together different styles or periods, experiment with vibrant colors on neutral, classic backgrounds. Your outdoor area should inspire and excite you as much as your interior space.

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