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From The Flooring To The Pillows, Interior Designer Arnold Schulman Captures Supreme Elegance In Every Detail Without Compromising Comfort And Style

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With soft tones used throughout the home, vivid artwork became a principal component for every space. In the living room, a vibrant photograph of ballroom dancers taken in slow-shutter speed enhances the quiet yet elegant wall it rests upon.



ABOVE: A soothing oil painting accents the neutral tones of the kitchen, where pendant light fixtures from Carriage House cast a glow over Swaim barstools from Judith Norman Collection covered in tooled gold leather and edged in stainless steel nailheads. "My goal was to create an intimate area where people can gather," interior designer Arnold Schulman says.

Continuity partnered with relaxing neutral shades took precedence throughout the home. "I wanted to ensure the look wouldn't become dated; that it would withstand the test of time," the designer says.



With a new addition to their family approaching, time was of the essence for the owners of this 8,500-square-foot home in Boca Raton, Fla., who chose interior designer Arnold Schulman for a full makeover of their newly purchased residence in the Long Lake Estates community. "I was trusted implicitly — they allowed me to do what I do best," says the designer, who transformed the home's original traditional theme into a classic-contemporary story that promotes ultimate comfort.

Starting in the voluminous living room, where American walnut parquet flooring is a rich counterpart for the beautiful beige hue of a Tibetan area rug, the space grandstands a breath of striking pieces with warm tones

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ABOVE: Schulman's custom-designed cabinetry creates the focal point of the family room, where a comfortable sofa, covered in Bergamo chenille and backed by a sofa table from Baltus Collection, pairs with two lounge chairs from Donghia. Stainless steel sculptures from E.G. Cody flank the television and echo the look of upholstered doors that lead to the theater.

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Black-and-gold, hand-painted molding outlines the theater's custom-designed ceiling and displays each of the Zodiac signs.

BELOW: The designer incorporated a pair of six-foot gold Oscars that borders the theater's screen — dramatically setting the stage for a Hollywood evening. Etched mirrors with LED lighting display his clients' favorite movies, above.



... continued from page 229 that encourage symmetry. Here, Schulman integrated a hand-layered wall comprised of silver leaf panels in an antique glaze finish with walnut borders and molding. An ebony-wood cocktail table imported from Colombia centers the seating grouping, composed of a soft-toned sofa, a navy-and-gold, scroll-designed wing chair, two gold-brocade barrel chairs and a striped bench in Duralee fabric. With a sensational view of the loggia and lagoon-style swimming pool, Schulman made a concerted effort to select suitable window treatments. "It was extremely important to dress the windows and double French doors without hindering the view," the designer says of the striped, sheer golden draperies that overtly fit the bill.

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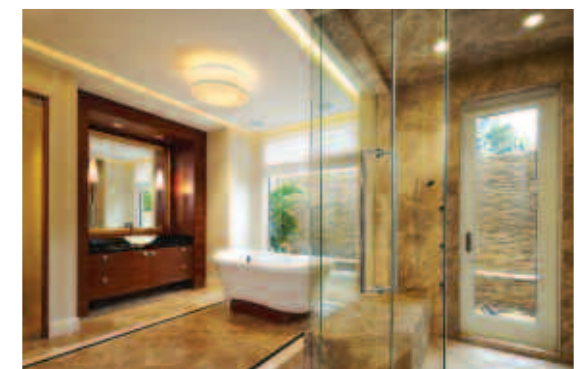
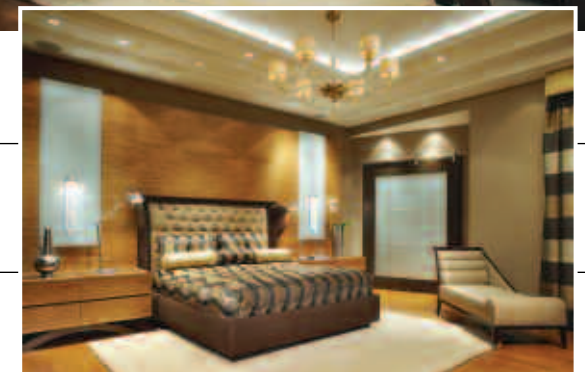


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Utilizing his architectural ingenuity, Schulman blended Japanese ash cabinetry in the nearby kitchen. "I wanted to use both woods to lighten up and add contrast to the room," he says. The designer merges a multitude of compositions, such as antique brown granite for the countertops, stainless steel accents and teal-glass tiles for the backsplash. Jerusalem stone flooring in neutral shades was the foundation — an instrumental element in creating a polished appearance.

Warm and cozy with an aura of style describes the family room, where custom cabinetry is comprised of high-gloss American walnut burl wood. While the overall mantra is soft and neutral, two oil paintings with a punchy palette add a splash of color to the space.

With the renovation well underway, the design of the theater became a very intricate project. A captivating ceiling painted by Wonderfaux Walls is undeniably the focal point of the room with its celestial theme that displays a map of the constellations lit fiber optically to exhibit a twinkling effect. Schulman applied an acoustical fabric in a diamond pattern for the upholstered walls that is a perfect backdrop for a pair of interesting sconces. "They reminded me of popcorn — most apropos for a theater," he says. Electric reclining lounges in gold, pearlized leather perpetuate infinite comfort, which is exactly what the owners desired for their new home. And with Herculean efforts, a keen sense of style and an insatiable appetite for true sophistication, Schulman clearly delivers prolific results.

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### SOURCES

#### Living Room

Wall paneling fabricated by Custom Millwork of Florida, Hollywood, FL  
Silver leaf panels fabricated by Fantastic Finishes, Fort Lauderdale, FL  
Flooring - Domino Floor Co., Inc., Miami, FL  
Sofa and table lamps - Donghia, Inc., DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Wing chair and sofa accent pillows fabricated by International Design Services, Inc., Dania Beach, FL  
Wing chair fabric - Beacon Hill Fabrics, Robert Allen | Beacon Hill, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL  
Barrel chairs and bench - Swaim, Judith Norman Collection, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL  
Barrel chair fabric - Giant Textiles, Jerry Pair & Assoc., DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL  
Bench fabric - Duralee Fabrics & Fine Furniture, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Drapery fabric - Rodolph, Jerry Pair & Assoc., DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

#### Kitchen

Backsplash - Ginex, Inc., North Miami, FL  
Countertop and backsplash fabricated by Built by Owner, Inc., Fort Lauderdale, FL  
Appliances - Florida Builders Appliances, Pompano Beach, FL  
Barstools - Swaim, Judith Norman Collection, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Pendant light fixtures - Carriage House, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL  
Family Room

Onyx - Puma Marble Co., Miami, FL  
Sofa and lounge chairs - Donghia, Inc., DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL  
Sofa fabric - Bergamo Fabrics, Donghia, Inc., DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Accent pillow fabric - Kravet, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL  
Sofa table - Baltus Collection, Miami, FL

Pendant light fixtures - Jolo Enterprises, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL  
Theater

Entrance door panels fabricated by International Design Services, Inc., Dania Beach, FL

Door paneling fabric - Rothman Assoc., Miami, FL

Wall installation - Brambier's Windows and Walls, North Miami, FL  
Ceiling and Oscars - Wonderfaux Walls, Inc., Plantation, FL

Fiber optic lighting - Starfire Lighting, Inc., Wood-Ridge, NJ  
Perimeter LED lights - Phillips Color Kinetics, Burlington, MA

Screen - Vutec Corp., Coral Springs, FL  
Curtain fabric - Beacon Hill Fabrics, Robert Allen | Beacon Hill, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Seating - Jaymar, Quebec, Canada  
Sconces - The Kentfield Collection, Jerry Pair & Assoc., DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Etched-glass posters - Mirrors & Closets of Florida, Inc., Hollywood, FL  
Carpeting - Fabrica, Saraland, AL  
Fabricated by East Coast Flooring & Interiors, Fort Lauderdale, FL  
Throughout

Millwork and molding - Custom designed by Arnold Schulman Design Group, Aventura, FL

Recessed lighting - Light Bulbs Unlimited, North Miami Beach, FL  
General contractor, window casing, and fabrication of millwork, molding and recessed lighting - Built by Owner, Inc., Fort Lauderdale, FL

Cabinetry fabricated by Custom Millwork of Florida, Hollywood, FL  
Artwork and accessories - Ambiance, Aventura, FL

Draperies fabricated by Sutton Draperies, North Miami, FL

Area rugs - Jalil's Rug Collection, Dania Beach, FL ♦

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