



THESE INSPIRING AND GROUNDBREAKIND DESIGNERS ALL STAND OUT IN THEIR FIELD. SOME USE LIGHT AS A FOCAL POINT, WHILE OTHERS USE COLOR AND SPACE IN AN INNOVATIVE WAY. FOR OTHERS, IT'S THEIR CREATIVE USE OF COLOR OR STATEMENT ROOMS THAT REALLY WOWS. HERE, MEET THIS YEAR'S WINNERS



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Tell us about the project. For this beautiful, Georgian Manor in Greenwich, CT the client desired a neoclassical look that felt both updated, yet timeless. When the client bought the home the decoration was very dated —imagine an explosion of chintz! They requested a total transformation and wanted an interior that would complement their art and the stunning property. The entry is the first space you see in this impressive home and it makes a classically timeless—yet stylishly—updated impression with its unique blend of antiques with contemporary pieces. Talk about the process. This was a major project that required incredible attention to detail. Rinfret, Ltd. was tasked with the complete renovation of this 11,000 square foot home and it was a two-year process. For this entry Rinfret, Ltd. designed the custom painted walls in grisaille with neoclassical elements that are incorporated into imagery illustrating the client's own landscape. The inspiration point for the design of this space was the black marble fireplace with stunning Greek key detail that looks beautiful with the classic limestone and black marble floors. To complete this look Rinfret, Ltd. brought in a stunning collection of

antiques, most notably the amazing console.

What made this project unique? The mural design is inspired by the homeowner's property. Antiques perfectly placed against the mural create a trompe l'oeil effect and only heighten the impact of this artistry and show how well thought through and executed it is. The space works so well due to the scale, color and the incorporation of the unique mix of antiques. The client had total faith in Rinfret, Ltd., respecting their role as the designer to create this spectacular entry. It was a great collaboration finding the unique pieces and seeing it all come together. This room was the inspiration for the design of the rest of the home.

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"This amazing space is so unique because it's more than just a typical living room: There are many layers here, with areas within the space for entry, lounge and conversation," says Cindy Rinfret of Rinfret, Ltd. Interior Design & Decoration of this room in The Kips Bay Showhouse in Palm Beach, FL. "It's all about the ambiance in this room with the dramatic

three-tiered lights that create a wonderful scale and mood."

The room is layered in styles, furniture and finishes, with British Colonial, Moroccan, Indian and Swedish aesthetics all incorporated into the design. Dark and light furniture, antiques and contemporary elements all work harmoniously.