

Fresh Design

Architectural Justice

ames and Darlene Justice wanted an updated space for entertaining that was both timeless and stylish. James, founder and president of full-service design and remodeling center Architectural Justice, knew he could create the perfect space, starting in the heart of the home.

"Our yard was scenic, but offered no real good views from the kitchen or great room spaces," James says of his home, which sits on the same property as the Architectural Justice Design Center in Medina. "We removed wall cabinets and added a span of windows around the entire space, which provides natural light and views to the back and side yards."

The entire area was designed with entertaining in mind, and, to make room for a new kitchen peninsula and larger eating area, the Justices expanded their living space. "We designed an open space so we can work in the kitchen while conversing with our family in the great room." James says.

Providing structural support spanning the width of the new opening was challenging, but the resulting decorative column created for header support actually enhanced the design. It complements the new cabinetry and adds an interesting architectural element to the room.

The Justices designed their own art deco-inspired custom maple cabinetry with a painted gray finish. "Glamorous touches were added with the lighting, a metallic mosaic backsplash and deco-inspired hardware," Darlene adds.

The kitchen addition led to the creation of an enhanced outdoor living space, including a vanishing edge, in-ground swimming pool with a swim-up bar. The covered living space, which overlooks the lake and waterfall, has a cast-stone fireplace, an outdoor kitchen and wood-fired pizza oven with various areas for gathering and entertaining.

"We love the outdoors and wanted to have a great area that was comfortable and fun for our family and friends," Darlene says. "Our exterior space turned out amazing, and we try to enjoy it as much as possible."

The Justices also decided to make some major changes to the upper level of their home by reconfiguring walls from an unused bedroom to create space for a larger main bathroom and master suite. They designed and built custom bathroom and bedroom furniture, which includes a coffee station, custom floating vani-

ties, modern bedroom furniture and even a headboard with a built-in window, which overlooks the lake.

"We designed and crafted the master suite with function and style in mind," Darlene says. "Like most of our clients, we wanted more storage and beautiful finishes, so we added medicine cabinets, lots of vanity storage and used Calcutta marble and glass tile throughout the space to create the classic style we desired."

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