

In the family room, Interior Define's Ainsley sectional, Noir Furniture's Island coffee table in black steel and a custom armchair by Eurocraft Inc. set a comfortable scene.

NEW DIGS IN OLD TOWN

Dual Concept Design's Andrea Fripp and Paulina Cervantes work their magic to bring a new construction home to fabulous life.

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In the breakfast nook, a pair of Non Random pendant lights by Bertjan Pot for Moooi, a Room & Board table featuring the Julian base in stainless steel finish and a custom polished Vicostone Uliano top fabricated by Tithof Tile & Marble; Oden round upholstered stools by Crate & Barrel and smiley face art by Andy Blank.



A series of six black-and-white prints of Chicago architecture sourced from barewalls.com draws the eye in the family room.

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THE CLIENT

Call it the power of feminine energy: After working with the female-led team at Urbane Home to build their new abode, the clients turned to Andrea Fripp and Paulina Cervantes of Dual Concept Design to outfit the interiors with beautiful yet comfortable and durable furnishings for their young family. Notes Fripp, “After just a few minutes of chatting with them and explaining our process, we completely hit it off and were hired a few days later.”

From left: The powder room pops with Cole & Son's Nuvolette, a cloudy sky mural by Fornasetti, along with Beaker sconces by Progress Lighting; the living room is highlighted by a quartet of custom lounge chairs by EuroCraft, a pair of custom coffee tables by Jose Herrera Upholstery, Sanam handloomed area rug by Solo Rugs, the framed print "Nimbus Dimensional" by Norman Wyatt Jr. and a Wall Play art installation by Gold Leaf Design Group.



THE PRIORITY

Explains Cervantes, "The couple has two young children, so durability and [ease of maintenance] were very important to them. From an aesthetic point of view, they gravitated toward a neutral color palette with interesting shapes in furniture and a focus on detail. They wanted the space to feel

sophisticated, yet functional for their young family."

THE CHALLENGE

"The most significant obstacle on this project was the availability and lead time of the furnishings," says Fripp. "The majority of the project was worked on during the pandemic, therefore items



A Meurice chandelier by Jonathan Adler, Arteriors chairs and a polished Vicostone Nero Marquina dining table with custom base fabricated by Tilhof Tile & Marble star in the dining room.

did take longer to arrive than hoped for. [Adding to the issue was that] the clients lived in the home while waiting on their furniture pieces, which made the extra lead time period challenging.”

THE DETAIL

“We pride ourselves in being able to design

in the aesthetic the clients are requesting, pushing ourselves to get out of our comfort zones,” notes Cervantes. “We’re typically known for our design aesthetic to be sophisticated with lots of color. This project was different for us, as the clients wanted a neutral color palette throughout. We absolutely loved working on this project with the neutral colors and clean lines.”

With Élitis Fromentera's La casa de paja wallpaper in Algue Sauvage, a Harlow console from Made Goods, CB2's Serpente black cowhide stool and vintage mirror, the entry is a show-stopper.



The lower level rec room wows with Vycon Watercolor wallcovering in Stormy Cloud from MDC, a custom ottoman by Jose Herrera Upholstery covered in Birds of Paradise: Oasis fabric from Holly Hunt's Great Outdoors collection, and a trio of multicolor wool felt stools handmade in India.

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THE OUTCOME

Sums up Fripp, “The biggest compliment we as designers can receive from a client is a referral to their friends and family, which this particular client has done several times. The family has expressed on multiple occasions how much they love that the house they built is now a home.” ■



DESIGN DETAILS

TYPE
New construction single-family home

LOCATION
Old Town

BUILDERS
Urbane Home
urbanehome.com

INTERIOR DESIGN
Dual Concept Design
dualconceptdesign.com

RESOURCES

COLE & SON
Wallpaper in powder room
cole-and-son.com

ÉLITIS
Wallpaper in entry
elitis.fr

EUROCRAFT, INC.
Lounge chairs in living room/family room, banquette in breakfast room
eurocraft-inc.com

GOLD LEAF DESIGN GROUP
Art in dining room
goldleafdesigngroup.com

HOME CARPET ONE
Family room rug
homecarpetone.com

INTERIOR DEFINE
Sectional sofas in family room and rec room
interiordefine.com

JH CUSTOM FURNITURE
Various upholstery, living room coffee table fabrication
jhcustomfurniture.carrd.co

JONATHAN ADLER
Lighting in dining room
jonathanadler.com

MIMSIE O'HARA'S DRAPERY SOURCE
Various window covering fabrication
draperysource.net

MOOOI
Lighting in breakfast room
moooi.com

NOIR TRADING
Family room coffee table
noirfurniturela.com

SCALAMANDRÉ
James Hare living room/dining room window coverings
scalamandre.com

TITHOF TILE & MARBLE
Fabrication of dining table/breakfast table
tithoftile.com