MODERN masterpiece

CONTEMPORARY STYLE TAKES CENTER STAGE AT THE 2020 ATLANTA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA DESIGNER SHOWHOUSE

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The 2020 Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Designer Showhouse displays an understated yet striking facade, with sophisticated water-polished panels, contoured volumes, and exposed metal. The exuded sleekness reflects the essence of Modern Design, as the builder is David Adelman of 4040 Properties.

Dramatic, curved ceiling and staircase create an inviting atmosphere. Each detail reflects Michelle Warenken's vision, allowing the room to transition seamlessly and enhance the overall experience. The high-contrast linear look sets the precedent.
ON A WOODED LOT

near the banks of the Chattahoochee River in Buckhead, the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Designer Showhouse, one of the country’s longest-running showhouses, resumed this spring after a brief hiatus to celebrate the symphony’s 75th anniversary. Atlanta Magazine and Atlanta Magazine’s HOME team up with the symphony to enlist the city’s leading designers, architects, and builders to produce a creative space.

Architect Robert Trench, director of Harrison Design’s Modern Studio, was inspired by a 1940s performance of the Atlanta Youth Symphony, precursor of the ASO that included two compositions he found particularly inspiring: the overture from “Un ballo in Algeri” by Giacomo Puccini and “Symphony No. 8 in B-flat” by Franz Schubert. “Both pieces are moody and mysterious,” he says. “Yet there are elements that are bright and airy.”

The showhouse he designed, brought to life by David Adams of ADICO Construction, mimics its juxtaposition. From the street, the house displays an understated exterior with familiar forms, including a pitched roof, brick, and gables. Upon closer inspection, unusual features emerge, such as mirror-polished panels, candlewax volumes, and exposed steel. An intentionally shadowy entry leads to light-filled open spaces connected by a series of carousals. The interior design featured an eclectic mix of furnishings and accents by 19 Design teams and art from Bill Lowe Gallery.

For the entry, Karen Ferguson of Harrison Design emphasized the contrast between darkness and light, setting the tone for the entire home. In the kitchen, Matthew Quinn of Design Galleria blended style and function to create a cut-edge space complete with a sculptural hood, a large island, and a “tall-wall” housing two ovens, a refrigerator, an appliance garage, and a retractable pantry. Barbara Westbrook designed an elegant family room incorporating the home’s spectacular view and a stylish dining room combining Rustic and modern elements. And Tammy Ramamy and Katrina Nye-Nicholas of Cloth & Kind created an earthy, refined space inspired by a sculptor’s skylight, complete with kohombachubu bar.

Bedrooms bridged style, with Peace Design’s dramatic, cozy master suite; Bradley Okun’s textural space; Loom and Carolyn Tardos’ meditative one; and D. Hidalgo-Nelson’s den, all of which feature steel accents. The result was surprising yet cohesive, much like the architecture itself. Modern design, Trench notes, is informed by both traditional concepts and classical proportions. “When modern is done correctly, it requires equal degrees of complexity and attention to detail.”

TOP: Karen Ferguson, director of the Atlanta Symphony at Harrison Design, created an engaging foyer emphasizing the contrast between darkness and light. Artwork includes a graphite and wood panel design depicting a McGavock house by Munich and Maggie Huns- berek from Bill Lowe Gallery.

OPPOSITE, LEFT: The covered porch, designed for natural light and space, features a geometric design using the same graphic motifs as the entry floor, designed by Vivian Benicki and Carolyn Baldour of Square Feet Studio. The lounge area includes a sculptural sofa by French and an hand-sculpted coffee table by Stephen Ward, as well as an inset table by Wunderlich Furniture Studio featuring coffee table and dining area by Brizzolara.

OPPOSITE, RIGHT: The master bedroom features a graphic sofa and ottoman and a glass and steel bed by Steve Kovalcik.

BELOW: William Stein, owner of Vittoria Design Studio, created these distinct spaces around the 12-foot ebooker style door. He kept the design simple and minimal using waterjet glass and linear features and interesting tones, including Grecian’s eponymous marble banister, in hand polystyrene, Anthropologie furniture, and Gilda Polk Collection.

COURTESY OF VIVIAN BENICKI AND CAROLYN BALKOUR, SQUARE FEET STUDIO

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LEFT | In the master suite, a textured wallcovering with subtle gray hues by Phillip Jeffries provided the starting point for designers William Peace and Hillary McNally of Peace Design. Custom bedding and drapery by Otis House and a chaise by Tanja de Marcopolo set the sophisticated stage. The custom headboard by Rink Studio, and art from Bill Lowe Gallery.

ABOVE | Monochromatic tones and a large-petaled tub with concave curved walls design produce a serene spa-like bath. William Peace added lucite seating, vertical mirrors, and a slimline white fireplace from Bill Lowe Gallery. The tub from Amor Bath and floorings from Stone Forest.
Daughter and mother duo Loren Aubrey Taylor and Carolyn Adams Taylor of Loren Taylor Interior Design envisioned the second upstairs bedroom as a quiet retreat for sculptor Matthew Hall and his wife, interior designer Julie Strickland. The space features a concrete sculpture by local artist Doug Freeman. The bed and custom upholstery are from the designer’s own DK Collection.

Bradley Olson, founder of retail store Dixon Lane, created a serene guest bedroom in the home. Artworks inlaid into a concrete sculpture by local artist Doug Freeman. The bed and custom upholstery are from the designer’s own DK Collection.

Tami Ramsey & Krista Nye Nicholas, Cloth & Kind

Sophia Romanoff and Amy NapierNicholls of Atlanta and Alex Brennan of Confet. A textile line created to soften and modernize spaces, the collection includes pillows, rugs, and bedding. Pieces are crafted from high-quality materials, including wool, cotton, and linen, and are available through the designer’s online store.

Music served as the inspiration for Angela Chureau Ehrlich’s design for the living room. The large wood panels feature a panel of oak and walnut veneer and are supported by stainless steel. The room is filled with natural light, with windows that filter light into the space, creating a warm and inviting atmosphere.
ABOVE  | Matthew Quinn and the team at Design Galleria Kitch en Scott Studio created a contemporary kitchen using high- end finishes. The cabinetry is a mix of custom high-gloss lacquer enameled wood and stainless steel. Marble countertops are by Gallery. On the island, a maple barstool from Ralph Lauren and a gray custom rug by Elizabeth Eakins keep the space quiet and refined.

OPPOSITE, TOP | Designer Barbara Westbrook of Westbrook Interiors mixed modern with rustic in the dining room, where contemporary chairs by Nolen-Nord suggests an antique pine table. The barstools are from Ralph Lauren.

OPPOSITE, BOTTOM | Barbara also designed a family room all about understated elegance, with a sectional sofa and two overstuffed leather club chairs by Chuck McRill. A custom upholstered ottoman and a white fireplace mantel were created by the designer. A custom rug by the Signature Shop. Custom rug is from Erle & Stowe Studios. Beer can wall art is from Coup D’Volee.
TOP LEFT & CENTER | A carefully constructed wall of freestanding reeded panels defines this serene master bedroom. The bedroom features a bed by Calligaris, a side table by John Hutton, and a chandelier by Francois Carre.

TOP RIGHT | Ruth Turner and William Brown of Design GSL, Inc., transformed this master bedroom into a serene sanctuary. The room is accented with a graphic rug by Stark, a vintage leather chair, and a collection of artworks by modern artists.

BOTTOM CENTER | Robert W. Parker Design created a serene master bedroom with a mix of modern and traditional elements. The room features a bed by Calligaris, a side table by John Hutton, and a chandelier by Francois Carre.

BOTTOM RIGHT | The master bedroom is designed by Robert W. Parker Design. The space features a bed by Calligaris, a side table by John Hutton, and a chandelier by Francois Carre. The room is accented with a graphic rug by Stark, a vintage leather chair, and a collection of artworks by modern artists.
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