

DECOR MAINE

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VISIONARY

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The most innovative & spirited projects of the year

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**A SLEEK
PASSIVE HOUSE
IN NORWAY**

**A 1906-MEETS-
NOW COTTAGE IN
BOOTHBAY**

**A SOARING
BARN ON MOUNT
DESERT ISLAND**

**A KITCHEN FOR
BAKING IN
CAPE ELIZABETH**

**A FLOATING
POOL RETREAT IN
KENNEBUNKPORT**

AND MORE



Situated on a sloped lot with few trees, this Kevin Browne designed home maximizes its 180-degree view of unspoiled marshland.



photo: Jeff Roberts

The Now:
Designs of
Distinction
2020

Over the summer, we put out a call for the best of the best. We wanted to see fresh, innovative design work from across the state, work from every arena—commercial, residential, professional, amateur, interior, exterior, furniture, single rooms, even individual design details. If you had the coolest drawer pull in York, we wanted to see it!

We debated what to call the selected projects. Winners? Finalists? Honorees? With so many incredible submissions, and with so much stellar work left on the editorial room floor for no reason beyond page count, we decided to forgo official labels. Rather, we've included here an eclectic mix of projects, all of which meet—in one way or another—the übercriteria we use every day: They are all designed with distinction.

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interiors

The Ever-Evolving Pro

Samantha S. Pappas, Yarmouth

Yarmouth Bathroom

photographer **COURTNEY ELIZABETH**
builder **RDB CONSTRUCTION**

Hope Avenue with Huston & Company
photographer **WILLARD CREATIVE**

A dining table by Huston & Company mingles with Blu Dot chairs and Farmhouse Pottery candlesticks. Painting by Christopher David Ryan.



FAVORITES AT DECOR MAINE, SAMANTHA

Pappas's designs remain delightful, and her repertoire seems to be expanding. "I pull so much from the outdoors," she says. "Natural textures bring calm and peace to my spaces while pops of color and pattern keep the designs playful."

In a dining nook in North Deering, note the deft selection of a round Huston & Company table meant to underscore curves in both the wallpaper pattern and a painting by Christopher David Ryan. "The Huston table perfectly balanced the modern aesthetic of the chairs," Samantha says. "The space screamed for it."

Natural textures also define an unexpected basement bathroom in Yarmouth. "I used wood-look tile, clay-colored wallpaper, and a wood vanity with leathery quartzite countertops," Samantha says. Rich green sconces add a punch of color. "It's a surprising space. It was fun to contrast this little room with the more neutral decor in the rest of the home."

above Intricate tile work by Steve Day brings welcome texture to this earthy walk-in shower oasis. **right** Abstract wallpaper by Erin Flett (installed by Coastal Wall Coverings) and colorful sconces add an unexpected pop of playfulness to this Yarmouth home's otherwise neutral decor palette.

