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# Custom Designed Interiors



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*Collins & DuPont Design Group!*

*Celebrating **30** Years  
Of Custom Interior Design*





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## *Choose Collins & DuPont* **DESIGN GROUP**



*Collins & DuPont Design Group has 30 years of interior design experience. We understand that your decision is very important and, ultimately, you will choose the design firm that best fits your needs. Give us the opportunity to be the addition to your future dream home.*

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# *The Principal Thought Is* **INNOVATION**

## *Creating Livable Luxury*

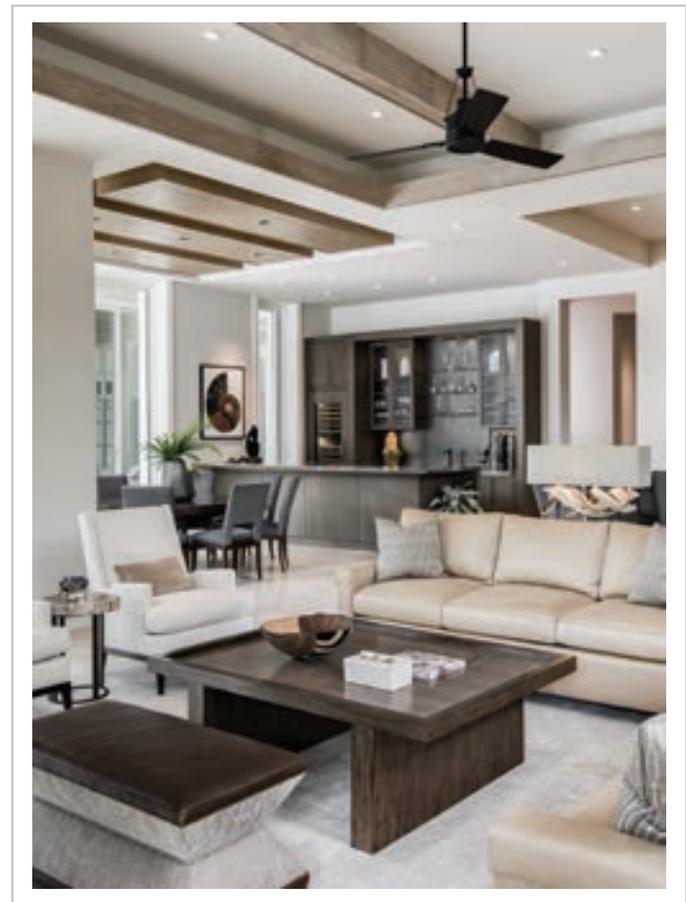
*Collins & DuPont Design Group has been creating timeless designs in communities worldwide for 30 years.*

*We are Florida's premier interior design firm dedicated to creating flawless residential designs. We excel in transforming everyday living spaces into one of a kind environments that radiate warmth, innovation and livable luxury. Based in Southwest Florida, we offer superb personalized service while designing custom luxury homes for clients throughout the United States and globally.*

## *Our Services*

*Our firm works with artisans from all over the world to deliver distinguished designs. We specialize in orchestrating every aspect of your home including designing, purchasing, expediting and project management.*

- Space Planning*
- CAD Drawing*
- 3D Interior Design Rendering*
- Custom Furniture*
- Custom Bedding*
- Custom Window Treatments*
- Custom Automated Shades*
- Decorative Lighting*
- Accessorizing*
- Interior/ Exterior Specifications*
- Custom Built-ins/ Millwork*
- Kitchen & Bath Design*
- Lighting/ AV Coordinations*
- Budget Study*





## About The Principal Owners

*Sherri DuPont, ASID and Kim Collins, ASID, founded Collins & DuPont in 1987 based on an unwavering commitment to provide the highest level of personal service and timeless designs. Collins & DuPont Design Group is an award winning firm that houses some of the most talented designers and industry professionals across the country.*

*Our team of experts are masters at visualizing and bringing to reality the full potential of an interior space that integrates with the world around it.*

*Our interior design firm with locations in Naples and Bonita Springs has been recognized and honored with a multitude of awards including BALA, ASID-FSC, AURORA, and the coveted “Golden Aurora.” While we are very proud of the reputation for excellence and ethics that we have built, our greatest reward comes from the satisfaction and admiration of our clients.*



**Your Vision Our Experience  
YOUR DREAM HOME**

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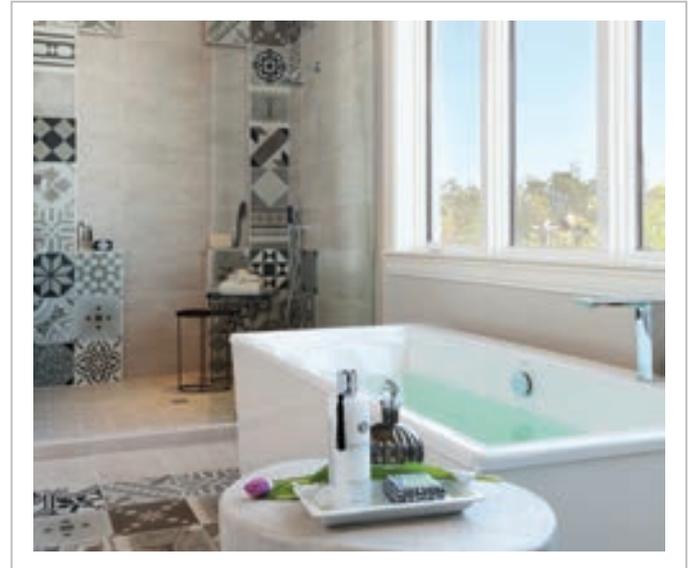
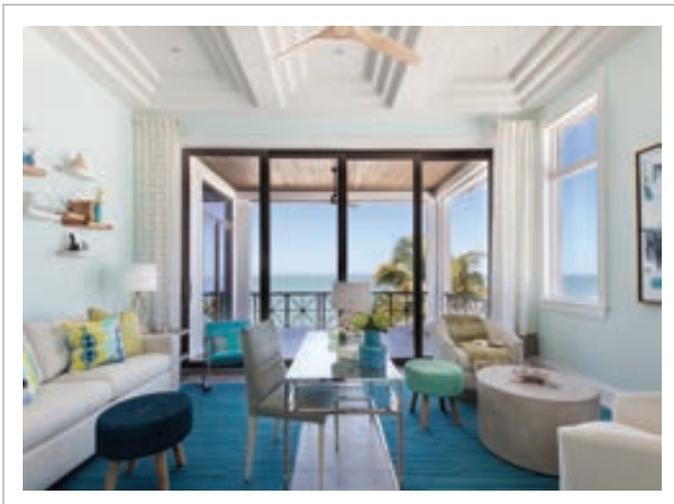
## Why Collins & DuPont Design Group

- **Established** – 30 years in Southwest Florida, nationwide and worldwide. With the most talented and awarded licensed interior designers working on their teams, Kim Collins and Sherri DuPont have created a firm dedicated to servicing our clients' interior design goals with integrity, providing an individual experience coupled with elite customer service.

- **Cost Conscious** – Collins & DuPont Design Group strives to remain within a budget of your discretion. We offer complimentary budget studies to establish the financial parameters before the project commences.

- **Experience** – We have been honored with some of the most prestigious design awards in the industry. Many of our designers have decades of experience and bring with them a wealth of knowledge and talent. We are passionate about our work and committed to putting our clients' needs first.

- **All-In-One Customization** – We can assist with all aspects of your home design. Our cutting edge technology enables us to offer a full range of services from space planning, construction, sketch and CAD drawings to full service renderings. We collaborate with the industry's top architects, custom home builders and subcontractors to bring your dream home to fruition.



- **Vision** - *We can make your vision come to life and show you your custom product or home before it becomes reality. We know that custom home building and design is an overwhelming experience. At Collins & DuPont Design Group, our professionals can take the stress out of design customization.*

*Your complimentary one hour consultation affords you an opportunity to learn more about what we can offer that sets us apart from our peers. Please contact our Marketing Department to schedule your appointment.*

*Thank you for considering Collins & DuPont Design Group. We look forward to meeting you and learning more about your unique vision!*

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## *Meet Our* **DESIGNERS**



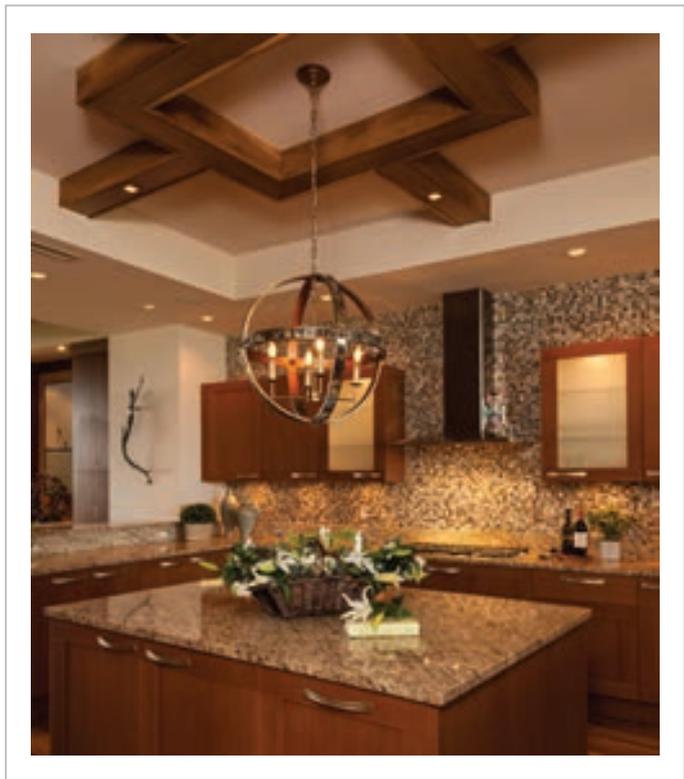
• **Lana Knapp**

*Senior Lead Designer, ASID, NCIDQ.  
The recipient of 2014 and 2016 Grand Aurora Award  
for Best Remodeling, Rehabilitation, and Restoration  
for a kitchen over \$50,000.*



• **Alina Dolan**

*Project Leader/ Interior Designer, Allied ASID.  
The recipient of 2016 Grand Aurora Award  
for a contemporary model home on Bonita Springs'  
Barefoot Beach.*



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## *Constantly Evolving* **DESIGN**



• **Michael Pineau**

*Project Leader/ Interior Designer.*

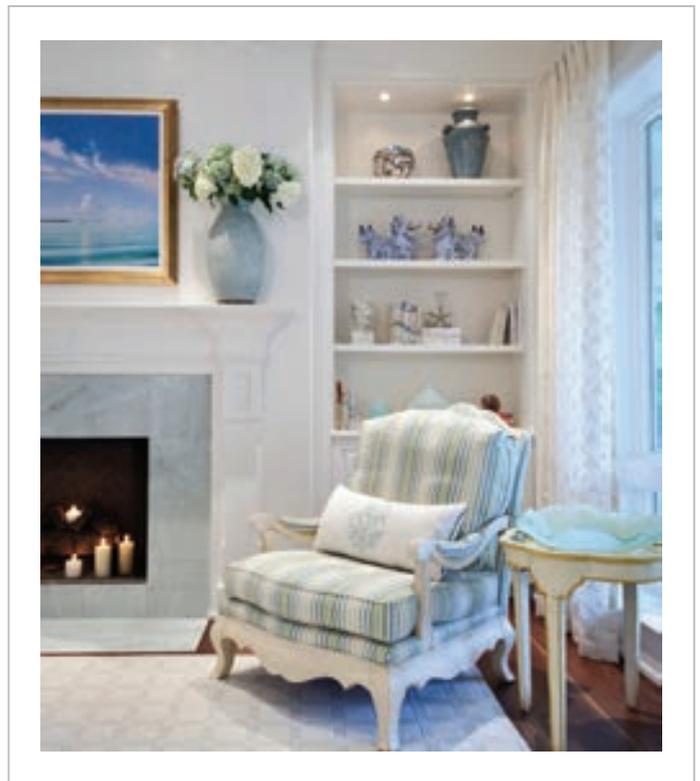
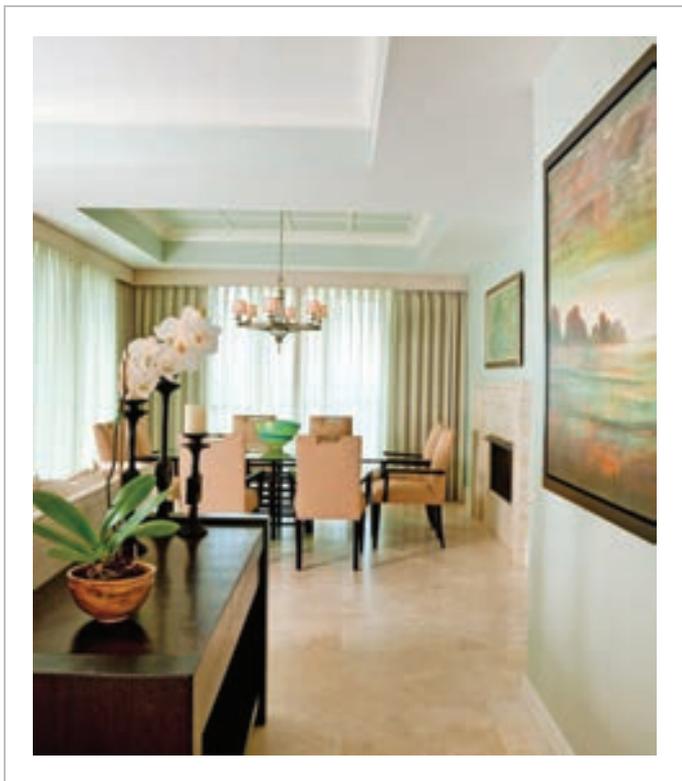
*Michael specializes in full renovations and room enhancements in existing homes. Michael tunes in quickly to the client's needs and personal style.*



• **Colleen Wilson**

*Project Leader/ Interior Designer, Allied ASID.*

*Colleen's design style ranges from traditional to transitional and she loves to work with tropical Florida colors, blues, greens and yellows.*



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CONTEMPORARY | COASTAL | TRANSITIONAL | TRADITIONAL



• **Amy Coslet**

*Project Leader/ Interior Designer, ASID, NCIDQ.  
Amy specializes in coastal classical elements with  
modern approach. The end result is quite sophisticated  
and elegant.*



• **Jenifer Davison**

*Project Leader/ Interior Designer.  
Jen has been involved in several award winning  
team projects and continually strives to challenge  
herself and inspire creativity in her team.*



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## Featured Showcase Article

# TECHNOLOGY

## Bringing Interior Design to the Tech Era

BY: LAURA VANNOY



David Bell, an American sociologist, once said, “Technology, like art, is a soaring exercise of the human imagination.” While some associate technology with the sciences and business sectors, technology has become an amazing tool for the arts and creative influences over the past few years. Interior design has moved into the technological era, making strides that not only impress, but engage.

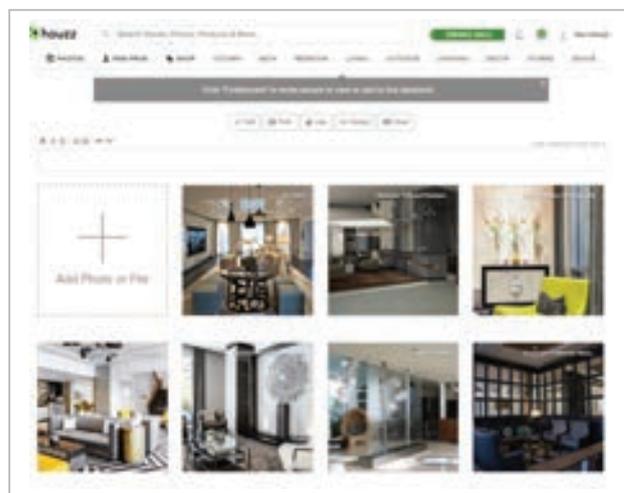
We can engage visually with our clients now more than ever to help create their dream home, one that they feel they have a part in creating, seeing and enjoying. We are at a time where we can use the tools around us to bring vision and imagination to life. We can make simple objects into a custom piece, a 2D image into a 3D masterpiece and turn dreams into realities.

Interior designer and principal owner of Collins & DuPont Design Group, Sherri DuPont says, “My favorite part of using technology is the smile on their face and the glow in my client’s eyes when they see a picture of their future home that we can create for them.”

Technology has catapulted our industry to a place where we can now give our clients the joy and security of custom design, without the stress of “not knowing what you are going to get.”

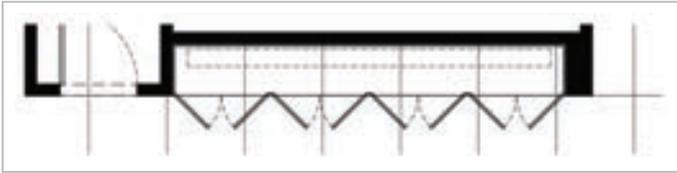
When choosing to design one’s home, whether it be a custom home or the remodeling of an existing one, it is a process that can seem daunting and intimidating. Some have trouble envisioning how several custom pieces will meld together to create a space of comfort and synchronization. Others are not able to finalize their selections due to the overload of options.

“Technology has extended our exposure to and knowledge of available design styles,” says Collins & DuPont’s Director of Design Production, Joshua Fisher. “With the advent of outlets like Houzz, it’s easier than ever before for a client or a designer to gain access to millions of images categorized by design style, room type and specific furnishings. A client and/or designer can more clearly communicate style desired by setting up idea books to share inspirational images and thoughts with one another.”

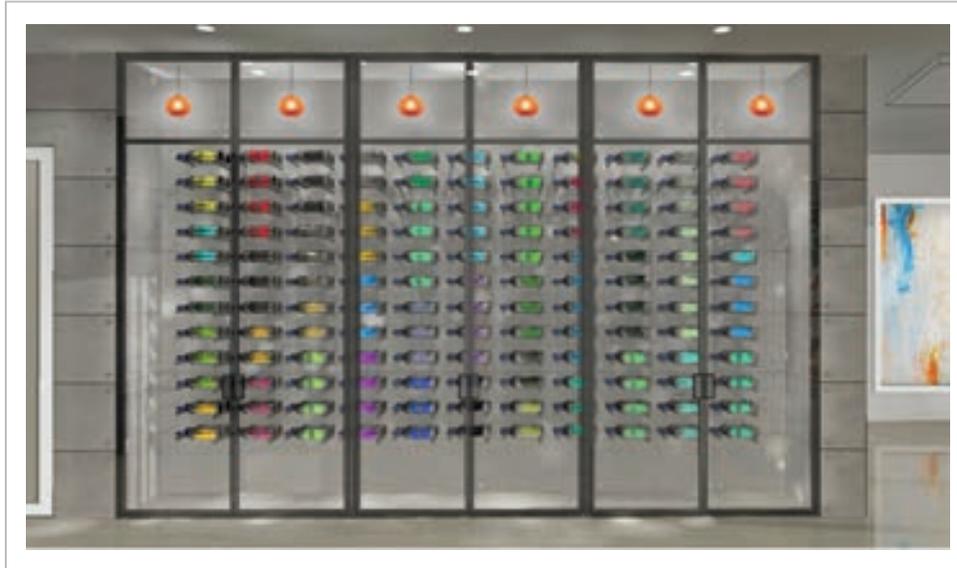


Fisher says, “This can also be a hindrance as sometimes too much information can overwhelm and cloud the design intentions. This is why it’s vitally important to have a designer with a well-rounded sense of design style so they can filter out and focus on their client’s design goals and aesthetics. Custom interior design is a stressful experience; technology allows us the opportunity to create what we

*perceive in our imagination and make it visual.” Fisher says, “It is at this point when the designer turns to their CAD department to create images that represent their ideas.*



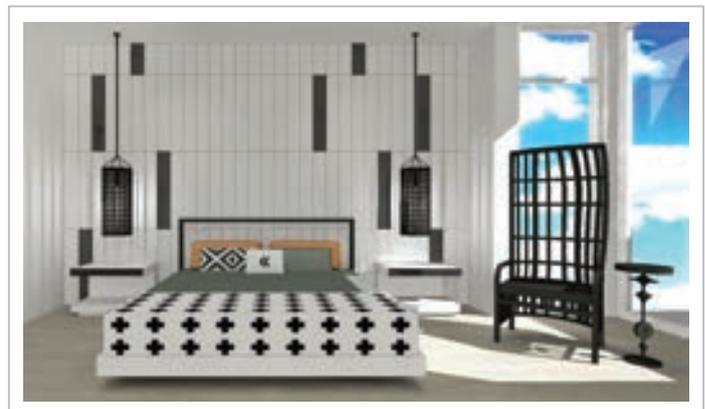
*“Our experience has been that once the 3D drawings are shown to our clients, they are almost immediately secure in their decisions. They can tell easily whether they like it or not. This decision making is even quicker when color is added to the presentation and they can see their home or custom piece in its real form,” says Sherri.*

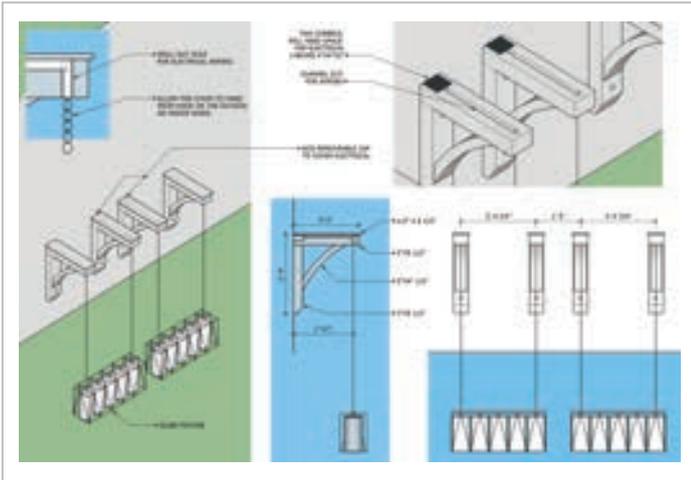


*Being able to create these 3D renderings for the clients makes all the difference in the world.”*

*Collins & DuPont Design Group is moving towards this sector of our industry and embracing the change to a more technological approach. As with most of the arts, interior design is a visual environment. Having fabrics to touch, finish samples to see and more catalogs than one could even count, it is easy for designers to envision how a space will look. For the clients, it is something not so easy.*

*“We have our own Drafting/CAD department with experts in the industry working to help our customers feel that they are making all the right decisions, taking the apprehension out of the equation and making us the most prestigious concierge style design firm in the area,” says Sherri DuPont.*





CAD has been one of the most influential tools for the industry. “Computer Aided Design is the use of computer software to aid in the creation, modification or optimization of a design,” says Jeffrey Mills, Design Production Coordinator at Collins & DuPont. “AutoCAD makes it easier to correct something on a plan and also speeds up production for the design teams. The most challenging part of our job is getting the clients to see things from the designer’s perspective. We always strive to meet our client’s needs and expectations, but sometimes circumstances occur

where we may not be able to meet those needs and another route needs to be taken,” says Jeffrey. “CAD department can help with these issues because we can execute a drawing and show them exactly why something won’t work and offer options for alternatives.”

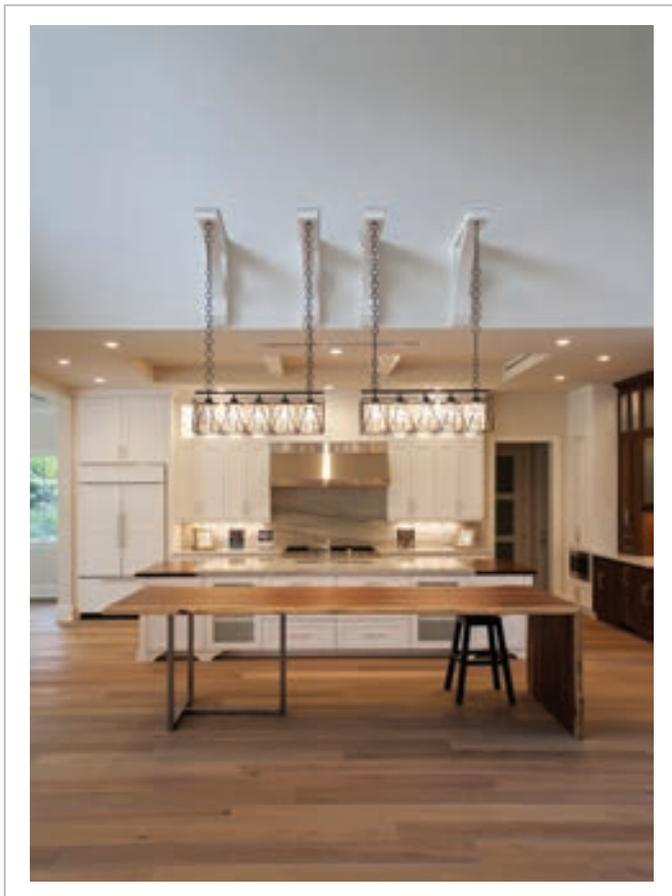
CAD department at Collins & DuPont can literally take an image from a redlined piece of paper and make it a 3D rendering in actual space, helping the client better envision what the designer has already been able to imagine.

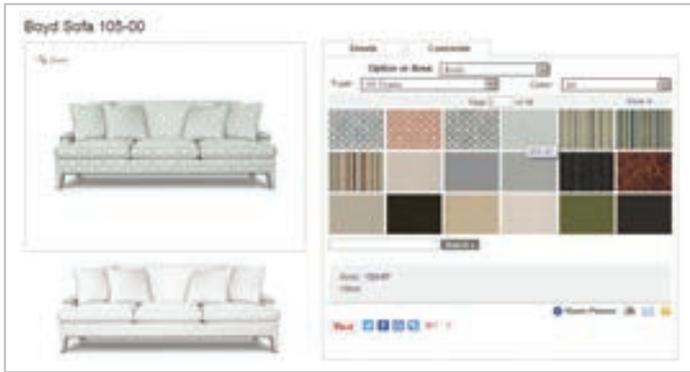


The beauty of custom interior design is that you can blend individual pieces to entire homes that are one of a kind. From selecting a specific sofa style, to the perfect fabric, to the custom accent pillows, everything can be original and special. With that comes the risk of purchasing something that you cannot see ahead of time. Modern design software allows us the opportunity to literally transport a fabric that the client has selected and place it exactly as wanted onto a custom piece of furniture.

Eva Wikander, Design Development Coordinator at Collins & DuPont says, “A few furnishing companies have started to take the guesswork out of custom product design by offering a real time representation of a product on their websites. Clients looking to purchase that item can select a fabric option and see it on the piece, without actually having to order that piece of furniture before it is manufactured.”

CAD designers at Collins & DuPont can also take a piece of furniture and add a custom fabric to show exactly how it will be laid on the furniture, so the client knows how





Technology is a never ending possibility, allowing interior design to use it in all aspects of the design process. “ We have the capability to create an entire room, that at the beginning only exists on a 2D plan set, and bring it to life with color, material and light,” says Fisher. “ We can make every aspect a reality allowing the client to see everything before it is even constructed. They can see what it looks like before purchasing, omitting the issues of something coming in that wasn’t what they envisioned or thought it would look like. Not only does it cost the client, but also other industry partners who invest in a custom product that doesn’t work.”



With COM (Customers Own Material) products, there is a lot of pressure on vendors to ensure that they are fabricating a product that is what the designer has envisioned. CAD drawings allow the opportunity to partner with industry vendors and show them exactly where

their custom piece of furniture will look before it is even made. This helps alleviate apprehension by assisting in the decision making process and avoiding any issues with the manufacturer if a piece is not made correctly or isn’t fabricated as intended by the designer.

and how we want the fabric to be placed on furniture.

Another technological advance in interior design is digitally printed fabrics. “ Clients can choose a particular design or a photo-realistic image and we can manufacture it into a product, from drapery, bedding and furniture to decorative pillows. With our software, we have the ability to custom design prints and patterns completely from scratch at the client’s request,” says Eva. “ Not all clients are visual people and can’t just imagine how the finished product will turn out. From the design of their entire home to all of the custom pieces inside of it, technology can help them see the end product before it is completed.”



As well, communication with our architects, builders and construction teams is greatly improved by innovative technology. “ We have the ability to send updates to large plans through Dropbox, which just over the past few years has been a tremendous tool for our industry to stay connected, informed and working together. Each of our clients are given a Dropbox folder, and over time I update changes and everyone involved in that project will be notified. We highly recommend that all of our industry partners use this application, ” says Jeffrey Mills.

Eva quotes an English idiom, “ A picture is worth a thousand words.” Having a CAD rendering can make all the difference when working with custom interiors.

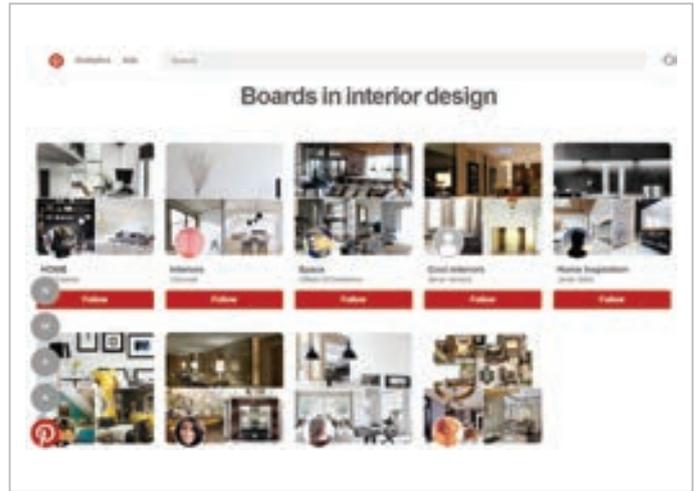


*Technology not only assists our clients, it helps our entire industry work together to make fewer mistakes, work faster and more efficiently and also create what we all want for our customers- an amazing work and amazing experience. Overall, the world is becoming a technological entity.*

*Joshua Fisher quotes Architect, Raimund Abraham saying, “When it is possible to do everything through technology, is it possible we are not doing anything anymore.” Technology is a powerful tool, but according*



*to Joshua, “ Without a strong team of artful and tech savvy individuals at the wheel, it is just a box of potentials waiting for its next command.” Moving forward into the new, not being afraid to embrace new opportunities and new challenges is a good thing.*



*Opening our minds and our eyes to new ways of envisioning design will help us communicate with our clients. In a world of Pinterest, Houzz and other media outlets crowding our imagination with ideas and desires, we can now use all of those areas to create new paths to interior design.*

*While moving toward a technological future makes some apprehensive, there are definitely positive ways to use it to our best interests. As Thomas Jefferson said, “ I like the dreams of the future better than the history of the past....”*



*The hope of a better future is a core value, what all of our clients want. Moving with the times and keeping up with the world is what will bring us all together.*

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# Industry NEWS

## 3D Interior Design Rendering Service

*We offer an additional benefit to our clients to help with visualizing their living space. With our award winning professionals at the helm, we can render any area of the residence in a 3D environment with our new state of the art 3D rendering technology.*

*Our clients have the opportunity to see their finished home with actual furniture, accessories, lighting, flooring, window treatments and much more. This visual aid will help to alleviate the hesitation and apprehension that comes along with custom work. Collins & DuPont Design Group offers custom design solutions under one roof, where dream homes are made.*





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## *Industry Leaders*

# Awards & Honors

*Collins and DuPont Design Group's designs have been honored over 30 years with some of the most prestigious awards in the industry.*

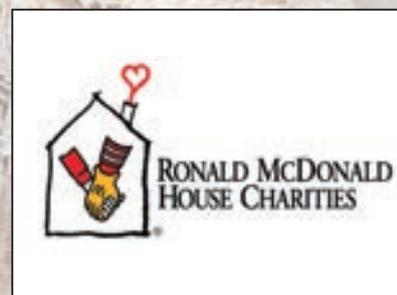
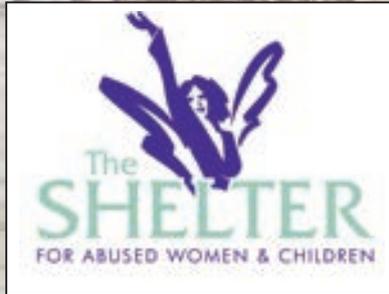


- *The **Aurora Awards** are presented annually by the Southeast Building Conference to builders, developers, architects, interior designers and landscape architects in the Southeastern U.S. and Eastern Caribbean who have demonstrated building and design excellence. The Grand Aurora is awarded for entries judged Best in Category and the coveted Golden Aurora is awarded for the entry judged Best in Show.*
- *The **Sand Dollar Awards**, sponsored by the Collier Building Industry Association, recognize achievements in residential and commercial building in Collier County, Florida and are awarded through on site judging by experts from across the state of Florida.*
- *The **Best in American Living Awards (BALA)** is sponsored by the National Association of Home Builders and Professional Builder magazine and is the nation's premier award program, continually redefining design excellence for the entire residential building industry. It spotlights the most creative and innovative builders, remodelers, architects, residential and building designers, developers, land planners and interior designers in the nation.*
- *The American Society of Interior Designers-Florida South Chapter (**ASID-FSC**) **Design Excellence Awards** honor exemplary designs by **ASID** members in the region.*



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