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## Project Spotlight

**Type of Project:** Whole House Remodel

**Location:** Washington, D.C.

Picture yourself in a classic 1920's home in an upscale neighborhood that appealed to your traditional half but did nothing for your provocative side. And then there was that deteriorating



deck above the garage ... By the time the Studio 27 Architecture/ Kingston team were dusting the final fixture on the award winning remodel, the homeowners were enjoying a stunning

"It was just what we wanted. Traditional and modern in the same home. Studio 27 and Kingston did a heck of a job."

post-modern master-suite that perfectly blended with the original portion of the home. Who said you can't have your cake and eat it too?



## Design Corner



Kingston and Studio 27 Architecture were recognized by the Potomac Valley Chapter of the American Institute of Architects with a Merit Award for architectural excellence.



"Jurors described this solution as a bold piece of artwork and described the result as a very successful knitting together of new with existing elements."

"One juror found this project conceptually quite brilliant in terms of how it transistions an existing character into a strong contemporary language. We enjoyed the skillful details inside and out, finding the result a rich experience."



## From our customers...

"Your people ARE THE BEST we've ever had helping us with house repairs and work. Many thanks for a super job."

-- Kate Keller  
Darnestown, MD

"Our new bedroom far surpasses our expectations and we are totally satisfied with this beautiful job. You are to be commended on the attention given to every detail, no matter how small. Completion dates were met on time and this was greatly appreciated"

-- Jim and Natalie DeVol  
Washington, D.C.

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## Home Maintenance Tips



### Moisture Alert

When excess humidity from showers, cooking, and even breathing builds up in the home and seeps into cooler walls, attic spaces and window areas the resulting condensation leads to mold, rot and rust. This is especially prevalent in early spring. It can be controlled however, and the best way is to stop it at its source. You can do such things as:

- Seal leaks in ventilation systems
- Address poorly insulated windows and doors
- Make sure that bathroom and kitchen exhaust fans vent outside
- Fix leaky roof, pipes and radiators
- Keep moist air away from cold surfaces by plugging holes in walls and sealing fixtures and outlets
- Adjust your heating system to take in at least 10% of its air from outside. This will also improve indoor air quality.

## Product Trends

### The Kitchen Sink

Plane-jane sinks have given way to a new demand for spacious bowls that can accommodate the largest pots and pans. Ten inch deep sinks are becoming the predominant trend with pro-style grates, drainboards, basket strainers, colanders and other accessories.

Alternatives to stainless steel are also emerging. Granite composite, fire clay and integral concrete (to match, yes, a concrete countertop) are all available.

