

Best of Class: Award-winning designs by Hedy Shashaani (top) and Ernesto Santalla (above).

# Ten award-winning designs epitomize style and innovation

ow in its second year, the 2010 design competition organized by the Baltimore-Washington Chapter of the National Kitchen and Bath Association (NKBA) saw more than 100 distinctive entries from area designers.

Sponsored by HOME & DESIGN, the contest taps experienced area professionals to judge each submission. This year's jury included Jonas Carnemark, CR, CKD, of Carnemark systems + design, inc., Ann Kenkel of Ann Kenkel Interiors, Donald Lococo, AIA, of Donald Lococo Architects and HOME & DESIGN editor in chief Sharon Jaffe Dan. Members of the NKBA adhere to high standards of design, safety and functionality. The winners showcased on the following pages meet these standards—and more.

### LARGE KITCHEN BEST OF CLASS

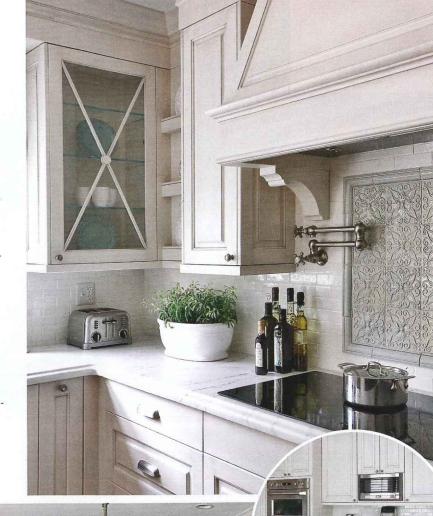
#### KITCHEN & BATH COMPETITION

# **Quiet Elegance**

HEDY SHASHAANI, JACK ROSEN CUSTOM KITCHENS, INC.

The main objective for a Potomac family of five was to upgrade their open family room and kitchen areas into an elegant, more functional space. Hedy Shashaani of Jack Rosen Custom Kitchens improved traffic flow by relocating appliances—including the cooktop, which now serves as a focal point in the design. She integrated the kitchen and family room by removing a knee wall and post, added a peninsula and updated the island to create designated work and gathering spaces. Off-white cabinetry offsets the dark-stained island and kitchen table, while grey-veined marble countertops and a glossy white porcelain subway-tile backsplash create a comfortable, yet sophisticated ambiance.

KITCHEN DESIGN: Hedy Shashaani, Jack Rosen Custom Kitchens, Inc., Rockville, MD. CONTRACTOR: Paul Johnson, Nice Contracting Inc., Silver Spring, MD. INTERIOR DESIGN: Kristin Peake, Kristin Peake Interiors, LLC, Rockville, MD. PHOTOGRAPHY: Olson Photographic, Killington, CT.



## Where To Find It

Cabinetry: Elmwood Cabinetry through Jack Rosen Custom Kitchens.

**Countertops:** Valley Gold marble through R. Bratti Associates, Alexandria, VA.

**Backsplash**: Architectural Ceramics, Rockville, MD.

Appliances: Sub-Zero and GE Monogram through Appliance Distributors Unlimited.