





part one: kitchens

NKBA DESIGN AWARDS 2019

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ONCE AGAIN, NKBA'S ANNUAL DESIGN COMPETITION DREW THE KITCHEN AND BATH INDUSTRY'S MOST INSPIRED AND TALENTED MEMBER DESIGNERS, BUILDERS, AND REMODELERS.

This year's participants continued the tradition of bringing excellent examples of fine kitchen and bath design to the NKBA Annual Design Competition. The winners' entries displayed outstanding aesthetics, well-conceived functionality, and thoughtful consideration to design within the constraints of the size, space, and budget of their client's project. The 2019 award winners showcased the latest trends, elements that never go out of style, and inspired design.

The following pages highlight the 2019 award winners in the kitchen category, with next month featuring winners in the bath category. Enjoy!

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FIRST PLACE / LARGE LUXURY KITCHEN





Philip Nikolich

Advanced Woodwork, Palm Desert, CA
Co-designer/developer: Mark McClure,
McClure Homes, Palm Desert, CA
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Open Air

The intention for this kitchen was to create a sense of luxury and grand scale, melding indoor and outdoor elements while honoring the client's desire for an inviting space where friends and family can gather.

On the west wall, designer Philip Nikolich and co-designer Mark McClure fashioned something of a disappearing act with a pocketing window wall that extends from countertop to ceiling, enhancing the indoor-outdoor connection and revealing the home's expansive view of a nearby golf course. The linear LED fixtures hanging over one of two generous kitchen islands take their visual cue from the verticality of the palm trees outside.

The designers selected cabinetry with a high-gloss lacquer finish and provided abundant storage, with organizers, pullouts, and a semi-hidden back kitchen as well. —*Kate Carsella*

Dishwasher: Asko Appliances;
microwave oven, range/oven/wall oven, ventilation: Wolf; **refrigerators:** Sub-Zero; **cabinets:** custom by Advanced Woodwork; **countertops:** PentelQuartz; **faucets/fittings:** Brizo; **flooring:** Monocibec; **lighting:** WAC Lighting; **sinks:** Kohler