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**ON THE COVER**  
Photography:  
Charles David Smith

In this Dallas home, natural light is as much a key element in its design as glass, white oak paneling and the original terrazzo floors. Homeowner Philip Groves, who painted the circle artwork, is pictured in the living room. Architecture by Bentley Tibbs.





**Azimuth Lounge Chair**, \$1,770, at Janus et Cie, Dallas and Houston



**Coral Pendant**, \$1,500, in new aluminum color, by David Trubridge, at Design Within Reach, Dallas; Light, Houston; Urbanspace, Austin

## All-Weather Wow

By Connie Dufner

Talk about 50 shades of gray! We're anything but neutral about summer's freshest favorite new color. From heather to gunmetal, it's time for gray to star in its own best-seller—perfect for pairing with warm woods or setting off against cool white. Picture streamlined stripes on Link Outdoor's chaises, a mod take on midcentury from Ligne Rose and luscious teak from Rose Tarlow Melrose House. With such stylin' plein air décor, who wants to ever come inside?



**Fifty Chair**, \$1,435, and footstool, \$525, at Ligne Roset, Dallas



**Roma Swivel Rocker**, from \$850, shown without cushion, by Gloster, at Greenhouse Mall, Austin and San Antonio; Patio 1, Houston; Sunnyland Furniture and Yard Art, Dallas



**Cat's Cradle**, price upon request, by Rose Tarlow Melrose House, at David Sutherland Showroom, Dallas and Houston



**Swivel Chair**, from \$2,099, by Laneventure, at Greenhouse Mall, Austin; Home & Patio, Houston; Sunnyland Furniture, Dallas; Stowers Furniture, San Antonio

**Echo Chaise**, with teak frame and powder-coated finish, price upon request, at George Cameron Nash, Dallas and Houston, linkoutdoor.com





## Midcentury Magnificent!

A '50s-era Houston house gets a stylish makeover that plays up its California-cool vibe.

By Helen Thompson | Photography by Julie Soefer

Sometimes, the best advice is the toughest to follow. So it was from architect Dillon Kyle to his clients, a couple with three teenage children, who purchased their home in 2005. Kyle accompanied the husband and wife on house-hunting forays through some of Houston's finer neighborhoods, and when it came time to renovate the house they ultimately found, Kyle was their obvious choice of architect. They assumed renovation would come first—then the family would move into a like-new house. Not so fast. Instead, Kyle advised them to live there for a year before making any changes. "It was the best advice anyone ever gave me," says the wife.

The house, a '50s-era one-story in Tanglewood, a prestigious neighborhood located a shopping bag's throw from the Galleria, had the rambling, California-cool vibe the couple loved. "This was an original Tanglewood house," says Kyle about the L-shaped structure. "It had an airy feel to it because it was very open to the back." Inside, CONTINUED...

### BREATHING ROOM

A former screened-in porch was converted into a glass-walled living area with a pitched roof. A Mies van der Rohe daybed, faux bois table and comfortable furniture reinforce the room's breezy feel.















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...CONTINUED the entry flows into a breezy, glassed-in living room, which was expanded by including a former screened-in porch.

“There was very little we wanted to change to that room,” says Kyle. “Even the black flagstone floor was in keeping with the house.”

After the family lived in the house well over a year—per their architect’s sensible advice—they knew what they needed: a bigger master bedroom and bath, and an office in the family wing. The mom, a dietitian, was planning how her dream kitchen would serve the family’s needs. Functionality aside, there was one thing she knew: “It had to have a red banquette—I love them in restaurants, and this way I have my own ‘family restaurant.’”

At Kyle’s suggestion, well-known Houston interior decorator Jerry Jeanmard of Wells Design joined in to carry out the decorating. “I thought he’d bring an interesting perspective to the project,” says

#### FORM AND FUNCTION

A former screened-in porch was expanded into a more usable glassed-in living room. Opposite page: The homeowners replaced the existing formal gardens with a limestone deck arranged with Janus et Cie outdoor furniture. The new outdoor spaces are perfect for entertaining and family fun.

## Design Details

TYPE **Single-Family Home**

LOCATION **Houston**

#### INTERIOR DESIGN

**Jerry Jeanmard**, Wells Design, 713.526.8200;

**Lisa Rowe**, Lisa Rowe Design (designbyrowe.com)

#### ARCHITECT

**Dillon Kyle Architects** (dkarc.com)

#### VENDORS

##### **Americh**

Freestanding Clearwater “Boat” tub in master bath (americh.com)

##### **James Dawson Design**

Custom steel and concrete table in living room (jamesdawsondesign.com)

##### **Janus et Cie**

Terra cocktail and Emerson faux bois tables in living room, faux bois bench outside (janusetcie.com)

##### **Jed Johnson Home**

LAfrican pillows in family room (jedjohnson.com)

##### **Peck and Company**

Custom side tables in living room (peckandcompany.com)

##### **Period Lighting**

Chandelier in family room (periodlighting.com)

##### **Waterworks**

Exterior tile (waterworks.com)