

# Harmony by Design

Architect **Lindsay Woolf** and general contractor **Larry Schneider** team up to strike a perfect design-build note

**A**s any fan of New Orleans jazz will attest, it takes innovation and collaboration to make great music. It is a sound born of years of familiarity and practice, and it exemplifies a tradition of creative partnership that has been integral to the evolution of one of the country's most storied cultural epicenters.

From music and food to art and architecture, creative collaborations are as ubiquitous to the Crescent City's artists, chefs, artisans, musicians, and craftspeople as red beans and rice. Architect Lindsay Woolf and general contractor Larry Schneider carry that tradition forward in their collaborative approach to building and renovating some of the area's most stunning marquee homes.

Woolf, AIA, NCARB, and founder of Woolf Architecture & Interiors, and Schneider, president of Schneider Construction and Restoration, view their partnership as not only a source of innovative ideas and means to exceptional execution, but also as a uniquely efficient process for designing, building, or renovating a home.

"It's an entirely collaborative design process," says Woolf. "We work together from day one, and I have the advantage of Larry's expertise from the start. It's incredibly valuable to have his insight while we're working out how to bring HVAC or utilities to a 150-year-old home or how to integrate historic architectural details into a new build."

"On our side, we have the benefit of being in constant communication with Lindsay and her team throughout the build process. When questions come up, there's no guesswork," Schneider adds. "That kind of simpatico between an architect and general contractor is really rare, and it's a win-win for our clients."

## Proof in the Pudding

The efficiency of the Woolf-Schneider design-build process is undeniable, but the true proof of their success is in the details. Across a stunning portfolio of historic renovations and newly built homes, Woolf and Schneider have illustrated an aptitude for bringing exacting detailing and beautifully crafted custom elements into every facet of their work.

"We have worked in a range of styles, which we love," Woolf says. "Every homeowner is different. One might want crisp and modern, and another may seek colorful, warm, and cozy. I like to work with them to define their vision."



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"This is also the problem-solving phase," says Schneider. "We really want to know how we can build solutions for any roadblocks into the plan. How can we make this a functional and comfortable home for you and the way you live?"

Whether working on the thoughtful renovation of a historic property or building a home from the ground up, Woolf and Schneider are as sought after for their collaborative, multifaceted perspective as they are for the craftsmanship they bring to each project.

"It takes a team to build or renovate a home," Schneider says. "More and more, our clients are coming to us because they've seen the work we've done together, and they want us as their team."

"Together, we are a force multiplier for our clients," Woolf adds. "They know they can count on us to deliver an incredible custom home designed to help them live their best lives."

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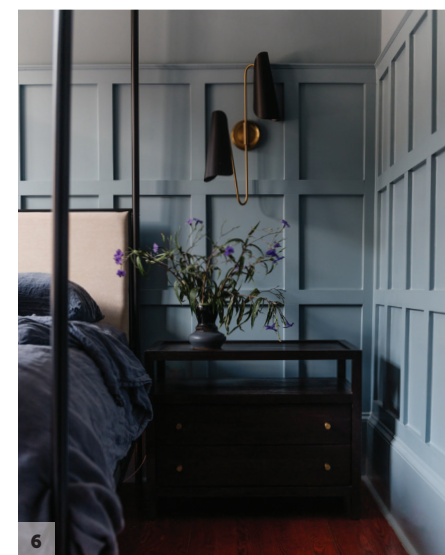
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1. Sleek cabinetry and zellige tile are a perfect backdrop for a rich wood island. 2. A collaboration between Woolf Architecture & Interiors and Schneider Construction and Restoration, this Louisiana home marries charming aesthetics and impeccable craftsmanship. 3. Elevated by a statement chandelier, this dining room opens directly to a poolside patio. 4. Matching stone and metal elements draw the eye to focal points throughout the kitchen. 5. Spanning the entire walls, large windows allow for abundant natural light. 6. Wainscoting creates dimension on the steely blue walls of the bedroom. 7. On the back end of the home, a screened porch welcomes the outside in. 8. Lindsay Woolf, architect, and Larry Schneider, general contractor.

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