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## DESIGN PORTFOLIO

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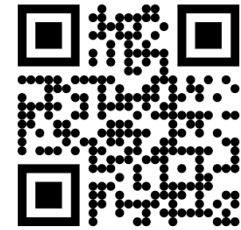
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## WEBSITE



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## BIOGRAPHY

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Kara Kirk is a junior going into senior year at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga where she is pursuing her Bachelor's of Interior Architecture with a minor in Construction Management. Throughout her college career, Kara has been involved in several organizations in her community and was also chosen to be a high school recruiter with interior design intrigue. She has excelled both extracurricularly and academically, leading her to win the Interior Architecture Faculty Award at UTC.

Kara's passion for interior design stems from a deep desire to see her and her clients ideas come to life. This desire has fueled her to seek real world experience through furniture design and interior design internships, all while maintaining a strong presence in the classroom.

## EDUCATION

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Bachelor of Science- Interior Architecture

Minor: Construction Management

University of Tennessee- Chattanooga

Major GPA: 3.8

Overall GPA: 3.75

Graduation: May 2022

## SKILLS

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Revit 

AutoCAD 

SketchUp 

Enscape 

Adobe Photoshop 

Adobe InDesign 

## EXPERIENCE

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Design Assistant Sept. 2020–Present  
Nell's Interior Design Chattanooga, TN

The duties performed on this job include:

- Involve in designing planograms
- Helping customers narrow design options

Design Consultaant Jan 2020–Sept 2020  
Bassett Furniture Chattanooga, TN

The duties performed on this job include:

- Helped clients design custom furniture
- Helped clients through the buying process

Design Intern April 2019–July 2019  
H&H Flooring Hixson, TN

The duties performed on this job include:

- Designed Digital logos and promotions
- Helped clients design flooring options

## ASSOCIATIONS

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American Society of Interior Design Member  
Construction Secifications Institute Member  
Big Brother Big Sister of Chattanooga 2018–Present

## RELATED COURSES

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|                               |                           |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Technical                     | Design                    |
| Codes and Specifications      | Design Fundamentals       |
| Building Information Modeling | Space Planning            |
| AutoCAD                       | Kitchen and Bath Planning |
| Computer Applications         | Commercial Interiors      |
| Color Systems                 | Residential Interiors     |
| Interior Systems              | History of Design I & II  |
| Hand Drafting                 | Interior Materials        |

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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Dean's List 2017–2021  
Scholars in Residence 2018  
Alpha Lambda Delta Inductee 2018–2021  
Phi Eta Sigma Inductee 2018–2021  
Interior Architecture Faculty Award 2019  
Interior Design Intrigue Social Events Chair  
2020  
Interior Design Intrigue President 2021

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# Mitchell Residence

The Mitchell Residence was designed for a family of 4 wanting a secondary home. The design incorporates natural elements from the Blue Ridge Mountains in Georgia. This modern twist on Adirondack style architecture incorporates materials seen in the outside environment into the exterior and interior of the home. Natural woods, stones, and an overall neutral color scheme allow the home to blend into the landscape and let the Mountain scene background be the focal point of the design.



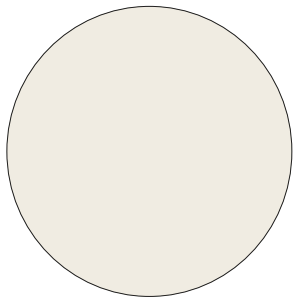
Front Elevation



Living Room



Hardwood  
Flooring



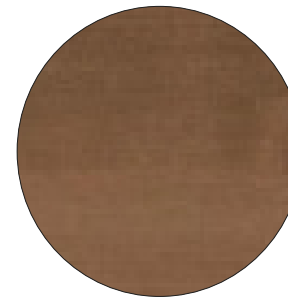
Wall Paint



Fireplace  
Masonry



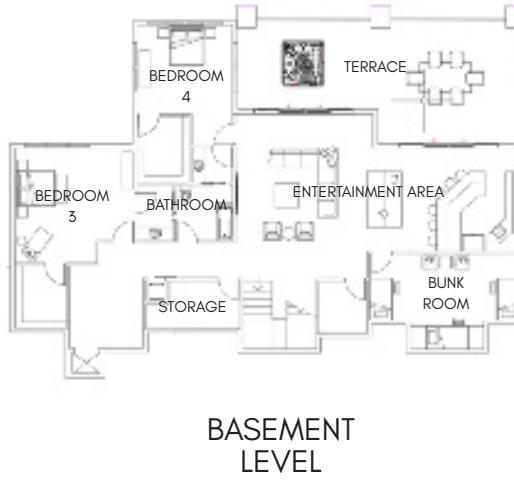
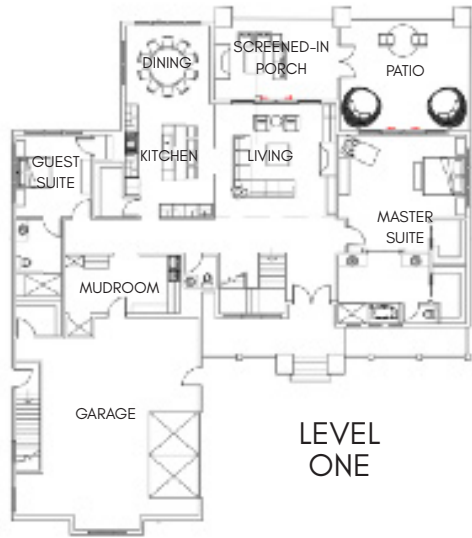
Area  
Rug



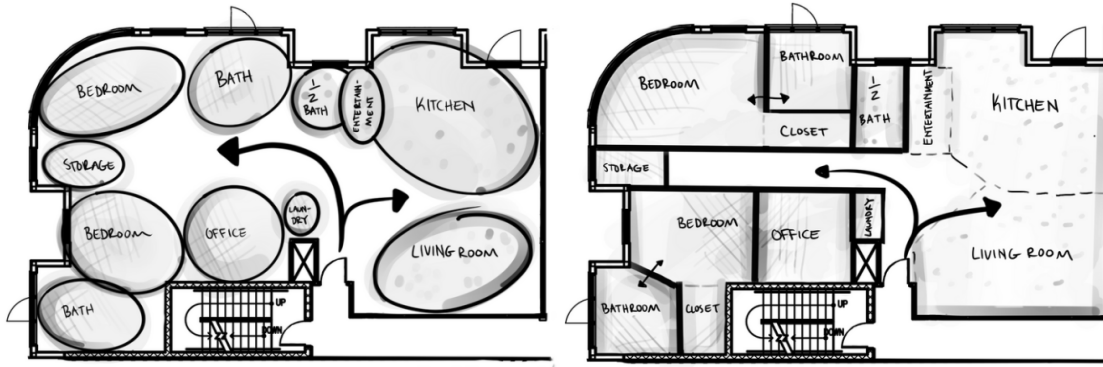
Built In Cabinetry  
Finish



Drapery  
Fabric



# Lofts on the Park



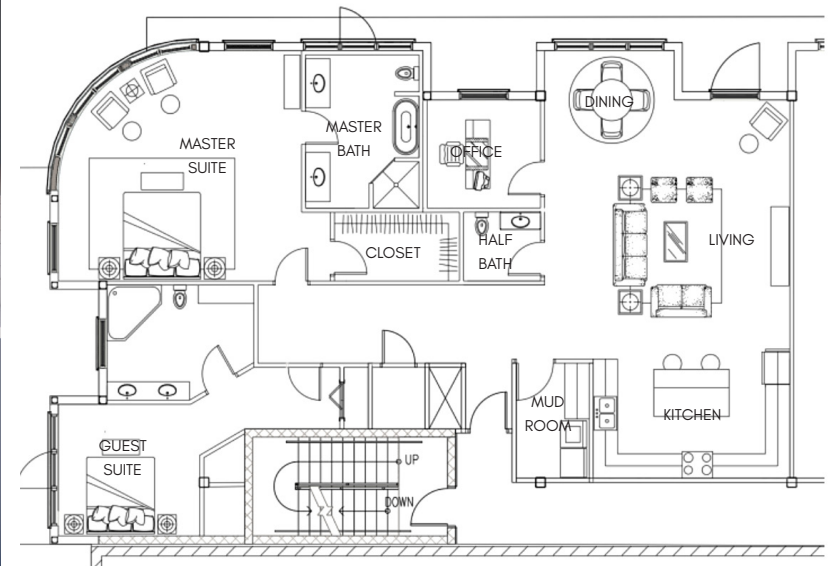
Bubble Plan

Block Plan

The concept of this design is based upon the historical area of Lakeland, FL. The design of the apartment is based on the style of Spanish revival. The use of multiple textures and patterns are used throughout to add contrast and an overall natural look throughout the space. Curved lines were implemented to tie the design to Spanish motifs often seen within the style. The neutral colors and modern elements help to create a more modern approach to the typically traditional Spanish style to allow for all users to enjoy the space for years to come.



Kitchen

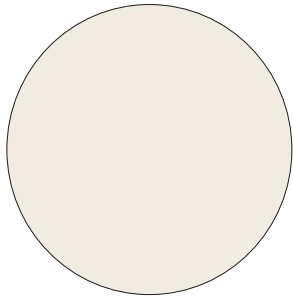


Floor Plan





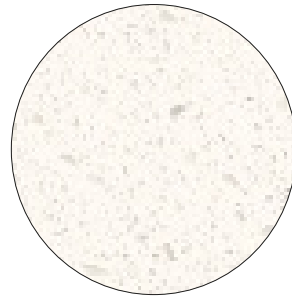
Tile  
Flooring



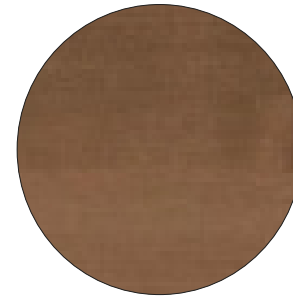
Wall Paint



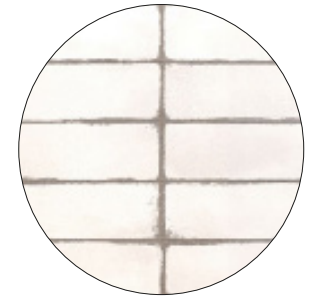
Mosaic Accent  
Tile



Quartz  
Countertops



Vanity  
Stain



Shower  
Subway Tile



Master Bathroom

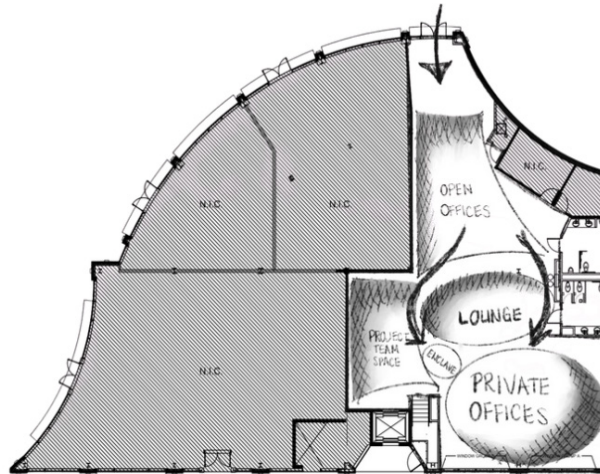
# NEXT



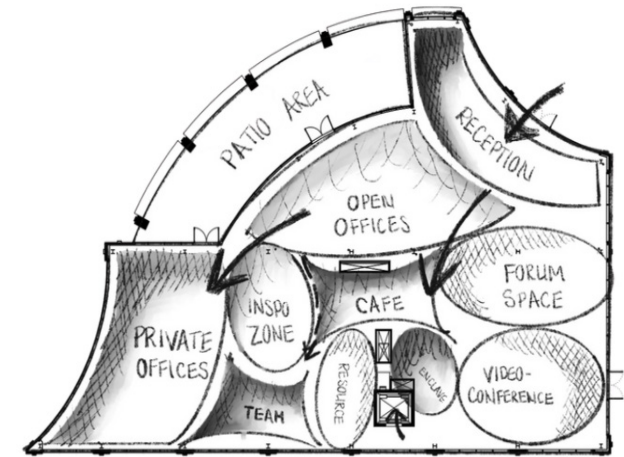
NEXT is a space in Atlanta, GA that was designed to be used as a coworking office space with a midcentury modern style with colors taken from the city at dusk. The color scheme of greens, burnt oranges, and deep yellows provides a fun ambience in the space while not overstimulating users. By implementing these colors throughout into the design, the space creates a healthy and productive environment for employees.



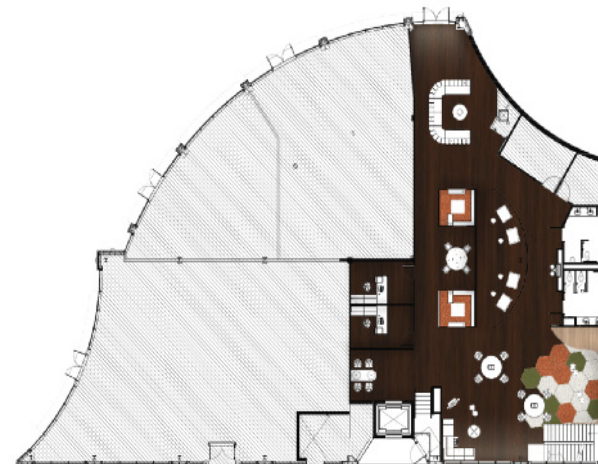
Inspiration Images



Level 1- Bubble Plan



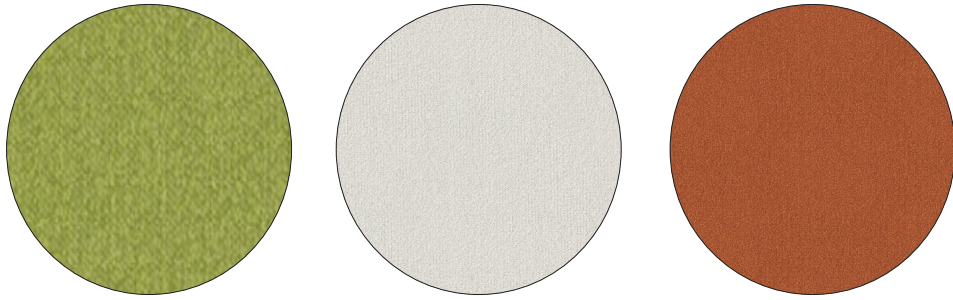
Level 2- Bubble Plan



Level 1- Floor Plan



Level 2- Floor Plan



Carpet Color Scheme



Reception Area

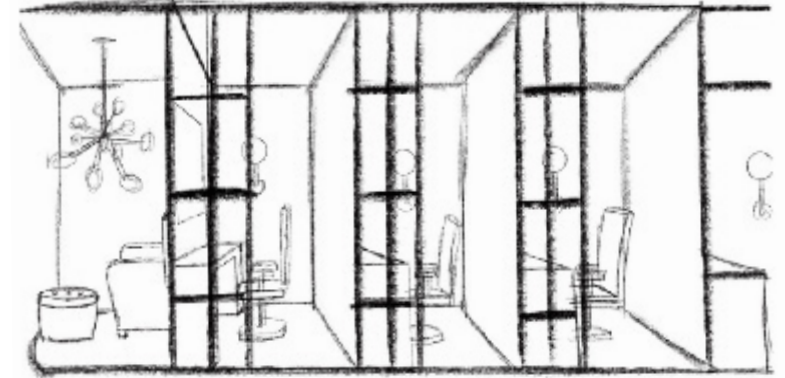


Inspiration Zone

# NEXT



Private Open Office



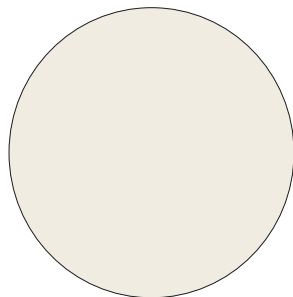
Preliminary Sketch



Forum Space



Wood Flooring



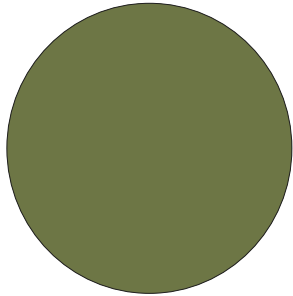
Wall Paint



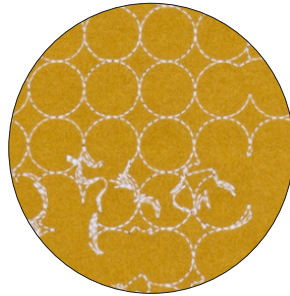
Wallpaper



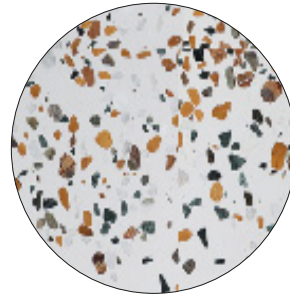
Pine Balisters



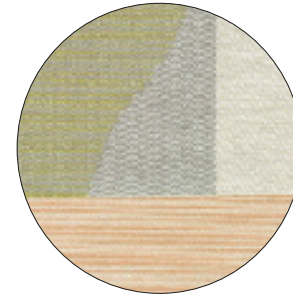
Partition Wall  
Paint



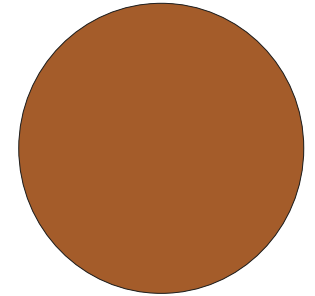
Office Chair  
Upholstery



Terrazzo  
Countertops



Swing Seating  
Upholstery



Accent Wall  
Paint Color



Open Office Area



Swing Seating

# Twyne Retail

Twyne, a high-end accessory retail shop, located in Toronto Canada, wanted the design of their new flagship store to reflect the atmosphere of its location. By implementing organic elements and separating the store by merchandising, the store is designed to appeal to everyone's wants and abilities. The curvilinear elements in the casework and the spiral staircase represent the elements found in the Toronto area locations in other buildings and in nature. Materials like granite, marble, and deep mahogany wood tones were implemented throughout the entire store to pull from the elements that are native to the area. This variety of materials allows for the space to be decorated with multiple textures that serves as contrast and focal points throughout the space.



Retail Space



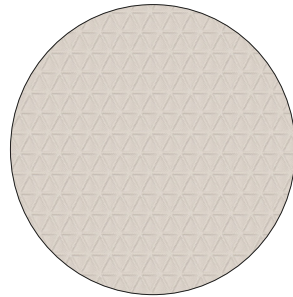
Building Section



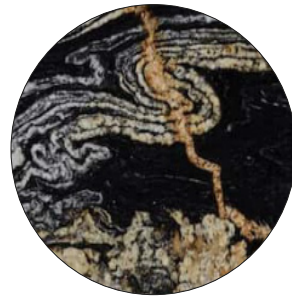
Tile Backsplash



Marble Flooring



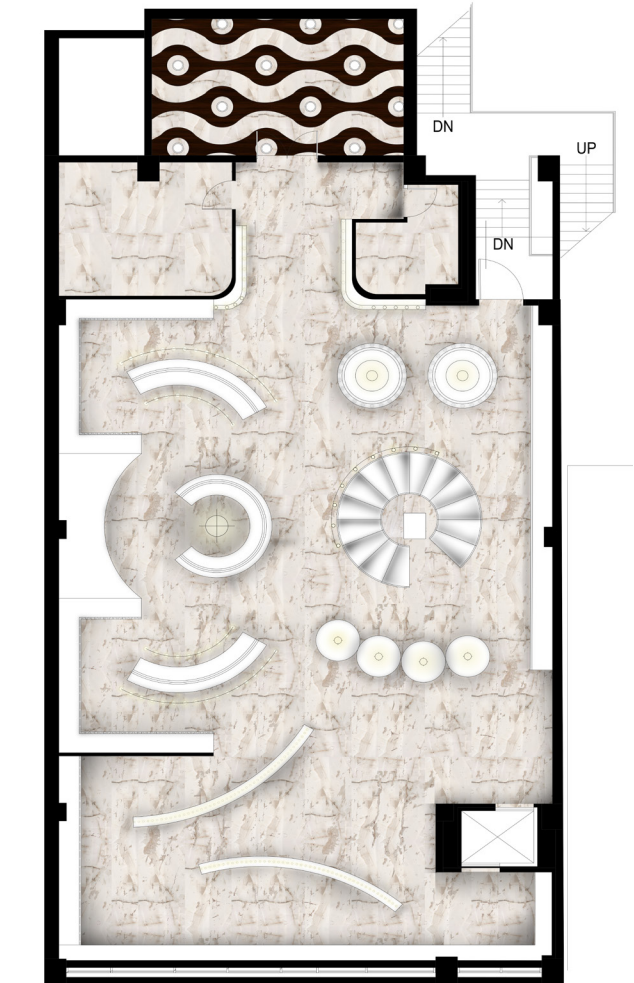
Wallpaper



Marble  
Countertops



Cigar Lounge



Floor Plan