



# BEST OF ALL

National Kitchen & Bath  
2012 Design Competition Winners

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This year's National Kitchen & Bath Design Competition honored first-, second- and third-place winners in six kitchen and bathroom categories, plus specialty category awards, from the nearly 500 entries submitted by NKBA members in the U.S. and Canada. Winning designs and designers were announced at the 2012 Kitchen & Bath Industry Show. The competition was sponsored by Jenn-Air, Silestone by Cosentino, "This Old House," Waypoint Living Spaces, Home Depot, Delta, 20-20 Technologies and HGTVRemodels.com.

"Each year, the NKBA is proud to celebrate excellence in the industry, represented by the NKBA membership," says Alan W. Zielinski, CKD, 2012 NKBA president and certified kitchen designer. "This year's winners, some of the country's top designers, turned out cutting-edge designs and we're excited to announce them to the public and the industry."

The "Best Of" designs in each category are spotlighted here. Photographs, designer statements and floor plans of all award-winning projects can be viewed on the organization's website: [www.NKBA.org](http://www.NKBA.org).





## BEST BEFORE & AFTER BATH AND UNIVERSAL DESIGN

### *Greek Isles Blue*

Sandra Gaylord, CKD  
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Photographed by Matt Bolt

**DESIGNER'S STATEMENT** | Bright blue and beautifully spacious, this bathroom is a breath of fresh air and natural light. This fantastic before-and-after design followed specific guidelines for a client with medical needs. The entire design was based around a ceiling hoisting system that can bring the client safely from his bed to the toilet or shower without trouble. With only two walls for the shower, it allows access to both sides for emergency and a digital controller to be programmed for water temperature. Overhead and removable showerheads allow for both movement and luxury, and two windows installed in the outward facing shower wall allow natural light to pass through to the bedroom. Based on the existing footprint, details such as custom vanities with storage and bi-fold, sliding doors, a wall of closets with glass French doors, and three transoms to allow for light and privacy without window coverings are just some of the newly incorporated aspects of the design. This bathroom is the perfect marriage of functionality and aesthetics.

### SOURCE LIST

Bidet  
Cabinetry/Vanity  
Countertops  
Faucets/Fittings  
Flooring  
Lighting  
Shower Enclosure  
Sinks  
Spa/Hot Tub/Sauna  
Special Features  
Tile  
Toilet  
Wall/Ceiling  
Windows

Whirlpool Bathtubs  
TOTO  
Euro Fantastico Granite  
Newport Brass, GROHE  
KJ Patterson Ceramic Tiles  
Triarch International  
Hallmark Cabinets  
Kohler  
KJ Patterson Ceramic Tiles  
Roan, KJ Patterson Ceramic Tiles, Joshua Smith  
Devonshire  
TOTO  
KJ Patterson Ceramic Tiles  
Dunn-Edwards

