JULIA KLEYMAN

Kitchen & Bath Designer | Residential Space Planner
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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Award-winning Kitchen & Bath Designer with 20+ years of residential design excellence backed by a foundation in fine arts, architecture, and art direction. Highly collaborative, site-savvy professional who seamlessly bridges the gap between creative vision, technical space planning, and job-site execution. Exceptional at guiding clients through the remodeling journey, managing expectations, and partnering smoothly with contractors, trades, and principal design teams to deliver flawless luxury spaces.

TECHNICAL SKILLS & COMPETENCIES

- **Design Software:** AutoCAD, SketchUp, Photoshop, Illustrator, MS Excel, PowerPoint
- **Traditional Media:** Freehand Conceptual Sketching, Perspective Drawing, Illustration
- **Design & Execution:** Space Planning, Custom Millwork & Cabinetry Detailing, Material Sourcing, Project Pricing

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

ULRICH INC. | Ridgewood, NJ
Designer | May 2005 – Present

- **Project Leadership:** Manage a diverse pipeline of complex kitchen, bathroom, and full-house residential renovations from initial client consultation to the project completion.
- **Project Development:** Solve complex layout puzzles; generate detailed 2D AutoCAD plans, 3D visual concepts, and accurate project pricing estimates.
- **Field Execution:** Partner directly with installers, general contractors, and trades on-site; proactively resolve jobsite conditions to safeguard design integrity and ensure realistic field implementation.
- **Client Management:** Guide homeowners through premium material selections (custom cabinetry, appliances, fixtures, lighting) while managing expectations and sensitive project timelines with strict professionalism.

- **Industry Recognition:**

+ Honorable Mention – Wood-Mode 2024 National Design Competition, Bath Category
+ Cover Project – NJ Design Magazine, "Club 12" Feature (Dec 2022 – Jan 2023)
+ 1st Place Winner – Wood-Mode 2018 National Design Competition, Bath Category; featured as NJ Design Cover (August 2019)

FAUX FINISHER (Independent Business Owner) | Greater NJ/NY Area
Principal Artisan & Designer | November 2001 – May 2005

- Designed and applied bespoke architectural color schemes, textures, and custom wall finishes for high-end residential clients.
- Gained foundational construction-site fluency, managing active job-site environments alongside contractors and builders.

ALPHANUMERICA / COLLABNET / FREELANCE | New York, NY
Art Director & Graphic Designer | 1995 – 2001

- Led creative strategy and supervised design teams; Created interactive frameworks and visual identity systems for elite global enterprises. Clients included Nokia, Hewlett-Packard, Barclays, Pfizer, New York Botanical Garden, Brooklyn Public Library and the UN.

EDUCATION

PRATT INSTITUTE | Brooklyn, NY

- **Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.)** | *Highest Honors, Excellence in Design Award*

MOSCOW INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTURE | Moscow, Russia

- **Architectural Studies** | *Completed 2 years of rigorous foundational training*