

237 Holmwood Avenue

This beautifully renovated home, located in an idyllic spot directly in front of Brown's Inlet, was built around 1910 in the Dutch Revival style. The current homeowners hired the Ottawa-based design studio, West of Main, to renovate and design their home. West of Main offers a variety of interior and exterior design services from custom home design and construction, to complete home furnishings and decorating. The goal was to maintain the traditional integrity of the home with a modern flair. The home is comfortable, inviting and elegant; perfectly suitable for living and entertaining.

General notes

Homeowners have lived in the home for just over a year; moved out for 5 months during renovations.

All current renovations completed by West of Main (WoM).

Roller blinds – all textured, but different colours to work with colour schemes in spaces they are hung. Blackout blinds in the bedrooms.

Brass accents carried throughout the house in plumbing fixtures, cabinetry hardware, light fixtures and mirrors creates a sense of continuity.

Main level floors were refinished and restained by WoM.

Front Entrance

- Large wardrobe supplied by WoM as there is no closet in the entry
- Large carpet also supplied by WoM to provide ample room for guests to remove outdoor clothing/footwear
- Vintage front hall table original to the owners

2nd Floor Family Room/Home Office

- Overlooks Brown's Inlet with balcony
- Built in bookcases - custom millwork
- Vintage red leather chair and desk (under black and white photo)
- Sofa is modular to solve problem of getting up stairwell
- Discreet television
- Brass accents carried through in this room as well
- "coffee table" fabric from kilim rug
- Artwork ("Cows") by daughter
- Black and white photo behind the desk by owner (Cabot Trail)
- Same colour on walls as ceiling creates warmth
- Woven texture to the custom blinds
- French doors separating office from hallway are original

2nd Floor Laundry Room

- Previously a laundry room and powder room; now a large fully functional laundry room
- Ironing board folds into cabinetry
- Laundry hamper also hidden under countertop

2nd Floor Primary Suite

- Oatmeal and cream tones used to create a sense of calm and relaxation
- Homeowners' existing rug, dresser and chair used in conjunction with new furniture from WoM

Ensuite

- Sense of calmness continues in this room
- Brass plumbing fixtures, light fixtures and mirror accents featured (continuity with kitchen, downstairs powder room)
- Countertop is the same as that in the kitchen
- Free standing tub has sleek silhouette while providing maximum soaking space
- Vanity changed from one with a single sink to a double sink
- Heated floors
- Integrated registers "Aria vents"
- Floor registers are also integrated

3rd Floor Bathroom

- Blue from kitchen brought up to this room in the form of tile which includes coverage of sloped ceiling
- Marble mosaic floor
- Marble countertop on vanity
- Pocket door

3rd Floor Front Bedroom

- Serves as a bedroom and as an exercise room overlooking Brown's Inlet
- Rug, bedframe from WoM
- Night stand on left is vintage, night stand on right is WoM

3rd Floor Back Bedroom

- Rug, artwork, light fixture all WoM
- Blinds in this room different from rest of home to accommodate skylight (also blackout blinds)

Living Room/Dining Room

- Dining room table original to owners
- Fireplace converted from electric to gas; custom mantel, granite surround
- Rug sourced by WoM from North Carolina on designer's buying trip
- Curved coffee table is burl wood with brass outline
- All furniture from WoM
- Chairs in window are swivel so that either the outside view or the inside fireplace area can be enjoyed
- Brass accents on sconces and mirror over fireplace

Kitchen

- Layout completely changed
- Designers focused on the flow and functionality of the space initially, then on the aesthetics
- Large island has integrated storage space which can't be seen
- Stove becomes focal point; framed with tile and symmetrical cabinetry on either side (bulkhead is wrapped under tile)
- Countertops are quartz
- Brass featured in plumbing fixtures, cabinetry hardware and lighting
- Mullions added to existing windows
- Accent lights are brass and alabaster
- Bar stools from WoM

Mudroom

- Custom cabinetry provides ample storage space
- Artwork by owners' daughter

Powder Room

- Custom woodwork
- Dark colour on walls continues on ceiling, creating warm atmosphere
- Brass fixtures and brass frame around mirror continued from brass accents featured in the kitchen
- Countertop is the same as that in the kitchen
- Unique design marble mosaic floor
- Artwork by Nicole Allen (floral)

Garden

- Landscaped last year
- Design by Yards Unlimited
- Landscapes by Day did the work (Mike Day)
- Shed built by homeowners from a kit from Wayfair

Paint Colour information throughout:

Typical Wall, Ceiling and stair Railing Paint Colour: Benjamin Moore, "Steam", AF-15

Fireplace Mantel Paint Colour: Benjamin Moore, "Midnight", 2131-20

Kitchen Cabinetry Paint Colour: Benjamin Moore, "Flint", AF-560

Mudroom Cabinetry Paint colour: Benjamin Moore, "Natural Cream", OC-14

Powder Room Walls, Ceiling, Mouldings & Cabinetry Paint Colour: Benjamin Moore, "Cinder", AF-705

2nd Floor Office Walls, Ceiling & Cabinetry Paint Colour: Sherwin Williams, "Tin Lizzie", 9163

Primary Bedroom Wall Paint: Benjamin Moore, "Swiss Coffee", OC-45

Primary Bedroom Ceiling Paint: Benjamin Moore, "Fog Mist", OC-31

Ensuite Cabinetry Paint Colour: Benjamin Moore, "Sparrow", AF-720

Laundry Room Cabinetry Paint colour: Sherwin Williams, "Expressive Plum", 6271

About West of Main

West of Main is a turnkey design studio that creates intentional homes and boutique spaces rooted in human experience.

We offer a variety of interior and exterior design services that cater to each of our client's unique project scopes and needs. From custom home design and construction, to complete home furnishing and decorating, our talented design team takes care of every single detail involved in bringing your dream space to life.

We oversee projects from start to finish, handling material and merchandise procurement, contractor facilitation, and quality control throughout. This creates a hands-off client experience, allowing you to focus on the enjoyable aspects of the design process.

With your trust, our team will bring dedication, passion, and care to your project to ensure your final space exceeds every expectation.