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THE 45TH ANNIVERSARY SHOW HOUSE,
PRESENTED BY THE
JUNIOR LEAGUE OF BOSTON

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It all began in February, when short days and cold nights keep most of us from open houses, much less interior design projects. But it was at this time when a group of Boston's (and surrounding communities') daring interior designers agreed to the monumental task of decorating the near skeleton of a historic residence in West Newton.

In celebration of the 45th Anniversary of Show House, the Junior League of Boston has announced that this year's Decorators' Show House was to take place at the 1854 Nathaniel Allen House. This premier design event was held from May 7 through June 5, 2016, and featured the creative talents of the region's finest designers.

Placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1978, the Nathaniel Allen House was the site of the earliest co-educational school in the country and was a stop on the Underground Railroad.

"The Junior League of Boston specializes in embracing signature service projects to benefit the greater Boston community. Improving the Nathaniel Allen House through our Decorators' Show House, will facilitate enhanced program space for arts and culture, with a special focus on programming for children," says Valerie Ponniff, president of the Junior League of Boston.

Patricia Benetti, Show House co-chair, comments: "The League is celebrating its 116th anniversary in 2016 and this is a wonderful opportunity to showcase the area's best designers, share the League's mission and activities with the public, and raise money for the programs which impact thousands of girls and women annually."

"The timing could not be more perfect to help the Newton Cultural Alliance get a boost in their renovation efforts, while also benefiting the Junior League and causes that we hold dear," adds Co-Chair Susan Mousouli.

The Greek revival structure served as a blank canvas for the area designers, allowing them the opportunity to demonstrate their talents and unique style through complete and comprehensive redecoration of the home.

With over 20 rooms transformed by renowned designers and tradespeople, the group came together and created what some would consider a miracle. According to Anita Mackinnon, the on-site coordinator, "We had a tremendous job to do. Paint was falling from the walls, floors were going off from dust, and everything else you could image, [we found] when working with a home over 160 years old."

After an extensive review process, a stable of extremely talented and motivated designers and firms joined together to present a one-of-a-kind estate, offering wonderful diversity and charm. ★



Participating Designers & Firms

*Babel's Design Group—Linda Holich
Maddie Cassone & Natalie McQuade
Cathy Anderson & Michael J. Greene

*Landry & Arcati—Jerry Arcati

*Gerald Pomroy Interiors—Gerald Pomroy

Cecilia Walker Design—Cecilia Walker

Wauer & Main—Tracy Foley

Farreast Design—Serena Farreast

John Coles Art—John Coles

Ther and Isabella Design Group—
Susan Schaub & Scott Bell

*Vani Sayeed Studios—Vani Sayeed

Theodore & Company—
Kate McCauley Rosenberger

Lanoue Gallery—Susan Lanoue

*Dibby Flint Design—Dibby Flint Hoobler

*Spaces Design Studio—Suzanne Legon

*Clement Solutions—Steen Nicker
Jackie Chereza

Kelly Rogers Interiors—Kelly Rogers

Holly Joe Interiors—Holly Joe

*Furniture Consignment—
Diane L. Frazee ASID

*Mimi Walsh Interiors—Mimi Walsh

*LZM DeZiggo—Nancy Seibel

Elizabeth Home Décor & Design—
Elizabeth Bender

*Sarah Seales Design Studio—Sarah Seales

Mally Skole Interior Design—Mally Skole

AnaVera Design—Ana Bezella

Tess & Ted Interiors—Paige Lewis

Painted UP—Ed MacLowe

JL Boston Boutique—Nicola Day, Hipswich

*Designers highlighted in photos | Before images by Robert Fries and Eric Roth



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& Sitting Room



VANI
SAYEED

Le Belle
Cuisine





**DABBY
HOOKER**
The Master
Bedroom



**SUZANNE
LOGAN**
The Dining
Room



**DIANA
FRUCCI**
The Family
Media Room



**MIMI
WALSH**
The Little Kitchen
that Could





**NANCY
SEIBEL**
The Petite
Retreat



**MALLY
SKOK**
The Nursery