

DESIGN SPOTLIGHT: SPECIALTY ROOMS



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The first step in design is asking clients to ponder how they live and entertain and the life they anticipate as their families mature. Those answers, along with knowing which home style the clients like, provides the basis for a plan. 1) Home theaters, entertainment centers, gyms, and wine rooms often are customary in homes with ample underground space, but sometimes we're asked to design a room for beauty

treatments and massage. 2) Situated alongside a gym and full spa in the basement of a classical Chicago home, this room owes its relaxing ambience to a fireplace, rich materials, a warm palette, and cove lighting. 3) Another unusual request was made by clients whose daughter practices meditation. There, we designed a meditation tower. The serene space is an exotic mélange of colors and cultures, yet it works in this residence. **CB**



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