

Over-The-Top Glass Tile Designs For 2006 Newport Designer Show House

The "Sand and Sea" Master Bath and "Ocean Zen" Guest Bath at 162 Harbor View, Carnegie Abbey, Portsmouth, RI, offer elegant oases of tranquility and luxury. The waterfront address warranted spectacular bathrooms, using the most beautiful and unique tile and stone materials that can be found.

"Sand & Sea" Master Bath Imagines A Beach Retreat

Tile and Stone Designer Gaye Weatherly deftly combines porcelain tile, polished marble slabs, tumbled marble tiles, and iridescent glass tile and trims in a palette of blue water and warm sand colors in the Master Bath, "Sand & Sea."

The room's calming base begins with 12" X 18" Italian porcelain in pale Oasis Blue, placed in a soothing offset pattern on the floor. The porcelain tiles rise to enclose the walk-in shower. Layered against this base color, a wall of Sakonnet Blue iridescent glass tile provides a lustrous respite by candlelight or daylight, and is distinguished by the depth and intricate variety of the tile's handmade color patterning. The shower area is framed by a handmade, cast-glass rope border tile in Sakonnet Storm. Matching bull's eye accent tiles are strategically placed on the iridescent glass shower wall.

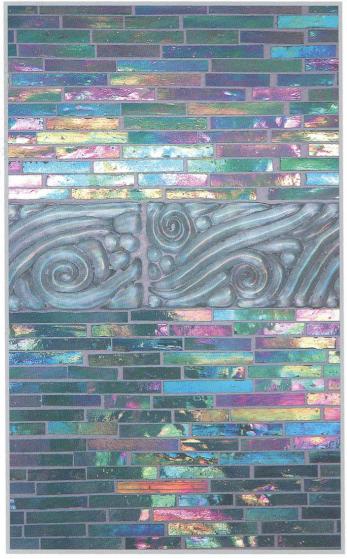
Polished Easton's Beach marble slabs begin the soft layering of warm sand colors against these cool water tones. The marble vanity top, tub deck, backsplash and side splashes are finished with a waterfall ogee edge. Tumbled marble oxbow tiles, also in Easton's Beach, cover the shower floor.



"Sand and Sea" colors create a luxurious beach spa in the waterfront Show House master bath.

Complementary color accents include reflective wall finishes, amber and aqua Italian silk window treatments, and soft paisley chenille upholstery on an antique slipper chair. Sterling candlesticks and cut crystal bath oil decanters enhance the sparkling mix of "Sand and Sea," and underline the elegance and stature of the room.

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Waterfall glass tile creates rainbow patterns in this luminous, "Ocean Zen" guest bath.

"Ocean Zen" Guest Bath Features Unique and Intricate Glass Tiles and Trims

The "Ocean Zen" bathroom serving the home's second floor guest room overlooks Narragansett Bay. Since natural daylight reflects off the water and casts blue-tinged light inside, colors and materials were selected to enhance this effect. Luxurious and exclusive glass tiles and trims coax the water view to resonate, peacefully, inside the room.

Shower walls are tiled in Waterfall, a new, rainbow-patterned glass tile that is exclusive to Weatherly Tile & Stone, Inc. The adjacent wall is tiled floor-to-ceiling, also with the blue-green Waterfall tile. These tiny glass strip mosaics are set in vertical and horizontal patterns. A transfixing statement, the wall's luminous texture invites the bather to enter the soothing and magical shower enclave. Handmade trim tile, in Whitecaps pattern, frames the interior view with an iridescent, pearlized glass.

Tumbled marble in rare Beach House Green covers the bath and shower floor areas. Floor accent tiles, in St. Tropez Blue, further layer the color palette. A custom pearlized paint finish on the walls and ceiling extends the luminous effect throughout the entire volume of the room.

Designer Background Information

Gaye Weatherly's custom tile and stone designs can be found worldwide, and include a hotel in the Caribbean, homes in Hilton Head and Bermuda, and custom yachts in Florida and the Mediterranean. Local projects include the Newportarea mansions named Grey Craig Estate, Bridal Path, Quail Tree House, as well as private residences at Carnegie Abbey and numerous special properties in Jamestown, Block Island, and the Vineyard. Other notable projects include a residence in Trump Tower and a very special pied-a-terre in Boston.

Weatherly, who received a Master of Arts Degree from Oxford University, Great Britain, applies her arts education and artistic aesthetic to the creation of sophisticated tile and stone designs. Her emphasis on customer service, including availability for site visits, have earned the loyal business of leading architects, designers, and selected builders. She now offers custom fabrication in her private facility.

Weatherly Tile & Stone offers a depth of resources that is unrivaled in New England. Recent showroom expansions have incorporated many exclusive new lines of specialty tile, including handmade glass tile and custom 36" X 40" hand cut tile, as well as rare granites and marbles.

Credits for Two Custom Baths (Waterfront Show House)

Design & Materials: The tile and stone surfacing was designed and sourced by Gaye Weatherly, Owner, Weatherly Tile & Stone, Inc., 3030 East Main Rd., Portsmouth, RI, 02871 (401-683-5577).

Note: Room layouts were pre-existing.