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Interview with **Marya** from Creative Design Team



Belleair Beach home that gained recognition and awards with the Tampa Bay Builder Association. Interiors by Marya and Team.



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If you've attended one of the Bluffs Wine Walks, you are sure to have met Marya Flurnoy or another member of the Creative Design Team staff. Their studio is always a lively stop on the walk! As a contemporary artist, fabric designer, and interior designer, Marya's work is a response to her surroundings, capturing the feelings of joy and enthusiasm in any space. With over two decades of co-owning Creative Design Team, her career in the design industry has earned recognition and awards in both res-

idential and commercial spaces. Marya strives to design unique interiors that will have a positive impact on her clients' lives. She possesses an innate desire to create and design interiors that exceed clients' expectations. Her passions in the industry include designing furniture, creating printed fabrics, mentoring new designers, and teaching business growth workshops to the trade. This month we are showcasing the Creative Design Team as our Sponsor of the Month.



International Window Treatment Award winning room Belleair Home designed by Marya.



and throughout the Eastern United States. We carry over 800 lines of furniture and accessories, hundreds of fabric samples, and a plethora of resources to bring to our clients. Whether you need help with minor updating, large-scale renovations, or new construction, we'll help our clients achieve the look they want on time and within budget. Whether it's making a single

HBL: What kind of services does Creative Design Team provide?

MF: We are a full-service, award-winning interior design firm with a distinguished reputation. Creative Design Team has furnished thousands of homes in the Tampa Bay Area



Bellow Sand Key Residence bedroom makeover.



Designers April Balough, Kate Klein and Debra Hibbs at Suncoast Performing Arts Gala posed by the bedroom makeover live auction item donated by CDT.



Co-founders and owners Ron and Marya Flurnoy.

room more livable, creating an outstanding window treatment, renovating a dated interior or managing the creation of a totally new home, we'll guide our clients through the steps necessary to create rooms that greet them with a smile and warm you with an engaging sense of delight. In addition to our residential projects, the team has been acknowledged for our extraordinary and exquisite designs in commercial properties such as the Bausch & Lomb Headquarters, Honeywell Café, Sumter Place at the Villages, Wright's Assisted Living and Oak Manor Facility, along with several boutique hotels and apartment communities.

HBL: Let's meet your team.

MF: Ron Flurnoy. Every design team needs a project manager, but not every design team has a renaissance man. Ron's magic and guidance is the glue that keeps the team together. Ron applies his experience and techniques in training staff, installations, and accounting allowing the team to do what they do best, design. Kate Klein Kate's background in furniture design and custom cabinetry, adding the finishing touches to home projects. She is an expert in window treatment technology and design. Debra Hibbs Debra's expertise is in Custom Window





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Fashions Designs. Her experience as a realtor supports her in being an expert in “Home Enhancing” and staging. April Skye April’s expertise is in organizing our client projects, creating presentations. And brings a youthful energy and creativity to each job. She is certified in Home Enhancing and Hunter Douglas Window Fashions.

HBL: *And what about you, Marya?*

MF: Along with my design education, I have studied Energy and Quantum Physics. I feel that they go hand and hand with understanding how to communicate and create for others. My certifications and degrees are in interior design, art and feng shui. I see things in a light and fun tonality so everything seems like play. I appreciate movement in art, dance and life. Without the arts, where would we be? That’s why supporting the local arts community is so important to me. Also, I am active in writing design blogs and articles, teaching and am featured as a public speaker to support the empowerment of woman, children and families throughout Tampa Bay.

HBL: *Creative Design Team is very active in the community. What are some of the organizations and events you support?*

MF: We take a high stand in supporting our community. We believe in supporting the betterment of humanity, young adults, business, and the arts. Community starts with acknowledging we are all here for each other. One person at a time, it trickles out to our community, our country, and our planet. When we give our talent, resources, wisdom and support, though our part may be small, we know a steady drop fills the bucket. We support the foundations, events and causes below by participating, volunteering and giving.



Photos of Naples Penthouse Design by Creative Design Team.

- Suncoast Performing Arts Foundation
- The Haven of RCS
- Shepherd Village
- Hands Across the Bay (Denim and Diamonds)
- Belleair Bluffs Business Association Wine Walk

HBL: Thank you for all you do for the community.

HBL: *And what new projects is the team working on now?*

MF: Besides staying active designing several homes in the Tampa Bay area, and a few commercial projects, we are ready for the launch of our “Home Enhancing” certification program. We are thrilled to be presenting a one-year certification for existing designers and decorators and new students who



Belleair Beach Resident: Award-Winning Designs, Custom Lucite furnishings, window treatments, rugs and hand painted place mats.

want to create a successful business in design. The program offers the highest education in design, business systems, staging and my favorite subject, the energy of design and Feng Shui. Modular one will start in January 2020.

HBL: *How do we contact Creative Design Team for design projects and to take the classes?*

MF: We are located at
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