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If **James Michener** Could See It Now...
A JAW DROPPING Renovation

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A photograph of a living room with a stone fireplace, leather chairs, and a patterned rug. The room is dimly lit with warm, yellow light from pendant lamps. The stone fireplace is on the right wall, and a pool table is visible in the background on the left. The overall atmosphere is cozy and elegant.

If James Michener Could See It Now
Jaw Dropping Redesign

NARI
Tour of Homes



Every year, we see new innovations in remodeling that delight us to no end. Today, architects and remodelers are erasing the boundaries between interior and exterior spaces by raising ceilings, knocking down walls, and creating robust outdoor patio living spaces, complete with kitchens and furniture as functional and comfortable as that of any found inside. The National Association of the Remodeling Industry (NARI) is celebrating this trend and showcasing Austin's best talent in its Tour of Homes that will be held October 21st and 22nd. This year's tour, "Remodeling Inside & Out - AUSTIN NARI 2006 Tour of Homes," is the most exciting yet. The eight amazing homes on the tour are a study in remodeling excellence.

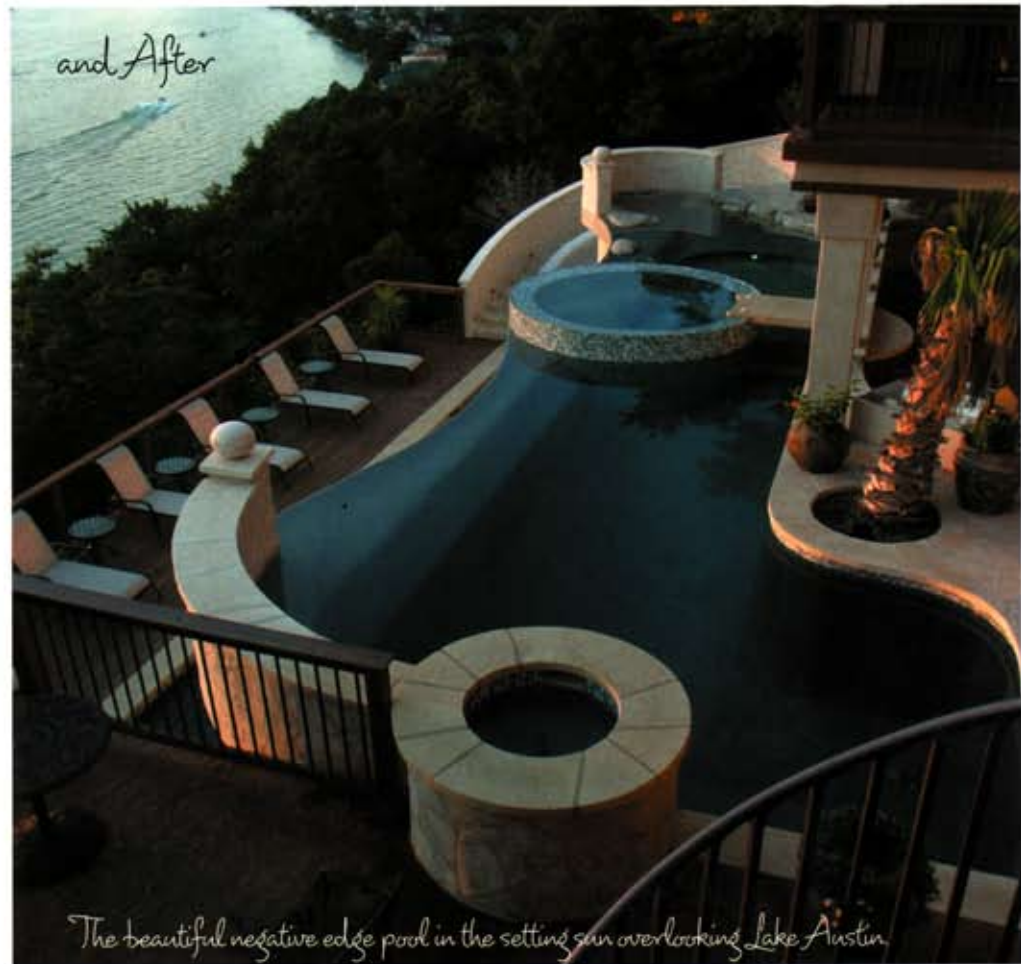


Beautiful architectural details and artistry of building trades match the styles of each home in unique and creative ways. What better way to spend an afternoon than by visiting these homes, including one that Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist James A. Michener once called home. If only he could see it now, with its magnificent transformations, faux painting and two-level pool overlooking the beautiful Colorado River.

The home in which James Michener penned his epic novel, *Texas*, went from a conventional 1970's style house to Tuscan wonder when Stephanie Fitzharris, owner and lead designer for The Faux Co., took 5,300 square feet of dated 1970's interior and exterior space and created a jaw-dropping remodel completely re-designed to emulate an old world villa. This home is a premier example of how today's interior living spaces are expanding to the outdoors.

(Bottom Left: Before
Bottom Right: After)

The Deck Before...



and After

The beautiful negative edge pool in the setting sun overlooking Lake Austin



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Designed with entertaining in mind, the exterior provides 3,000 square feet of custom Brazilian decking and railing on three levels overlooking beautiful Lake Austin. The spectacular views set off the addition of a new vanishing-edge pool built by Mowry Pools that spills over into the existing pool below to create a stunning waterfall, a colorful cabana and an outdoor kitchen.

Inside, the 2,000 bottle capacity wine cellar, gourmet kitchen, formal dining room, master bedroom suite and state of the art media/game room will take your breath away. The majority of the furnishings were found at Four Hands Home, and each piece accents every room with undeniable style. By combining incredible texture, design, and craftsmanship, The Faux Co. has created a treasure that simply can't be missed. The year 2006 marks the 30th anniversary for Austin NARI, and this is its 4th Annual Tour of Homes.

Join NARI and see striking textures, materials and color palettes that combine with innovative shelving systems, media centers, and entertainment spaces. Beautiful, airy and expertly crafted, each home is perfect in its concept of maintaining integrity with the newest trends of inside and outside spaces becoming one.

Tour Information

Runs 12:00 - 6:00 PM, Saturday and Sunday Oct. 21-22

Admission is \$20 for all homes or \$5 for any single home

Buy tickets at any home on the tour the day of the event

Begin the tour at any home

Please be respectful of the neighboring homes; do not block driveways or lawns

For more information, call 512-708-0637

Find Complete Tour Information and Map at www.austinnari.org/hometour