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Hardwood Ceiling Draws Visitors' Eyes Up at the 2008 Philharmonic House of Design

A stunning parquetry woodwork design by Architectural Furnishings drew visitors' eyes straight up to the ceiling at the 2008 ASID Philharmonic House of Design in the gated Crystal Cove community in Newport Coast, CA.

Cindy Smetana Interiors, who designed the Upstairs Office, selected AF's popular Bronte ceiling panel as a focal point for her room. Not only did she want the ceiling to be the "fifth wall" to her Santa Barbara-styled room, but she wanted to be environmentally conscious as well. AF's hardwood ceilings are crafted in a unique hardwood material that not only brings out the charming character of wood, but also is comprised of low-grade off-cuts, which make it an ideal recycled material.

In an artistic balance of function and beauty, the ceiling design incorporates the existing speakers, fire sprinklers, and recessed lighting. To harmonize the room, AF also provided cabinet doors in the matching Bronte pattern. The dramatic result captures the Spanish coastal elegance that emanates from the entire home.



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Courtesy of Cindy Smetana Interiors.

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