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Distinctive in the Details



Yalecrest Renovations
breathes new life into
old homes



By Dawn Stanton

When Bryce Linton and Joe McMillen sat next to each other in a software training class two years ago, they had no idea they would become "two sides of the same coin" in a successful partnership remodeling homes.

Separately, they were both already working professionals in the field. Linton had a few years of custom home renovation—purchasing properties and renovating them to sell for a profit—under his belt, made successful thanks to his background in business and operations management.

McMillen, the son of a builder who had grown up helping his dad on construction sites, had his own decades of construction experience including general contracting.

They soon discovered that they both had the same work ethic and vision: Excellence in home renovation with superior customer service and attention to every detail. This vision and their combined expertise drive Yalecrest Renovations.

"We come from an investor's perspective, so we know the client's time and money is important because we've been 'the client'," McMillen says.

And because they live where they work, they know there's no room for errors.

"I'm going to see clients in Albertson's or Safeway," Linton says. "We need our work to speak for itself."

Their work already speaks for itself. Yalecrest won the 2006 Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland Remodeling Excellence Award for Major Remodel in the \$500,000-\$1 million category. Their award-winning project, which took about

six months to complete, involved gutting and renovating a 1990s house on Old River Road between West Linn and Lake Oswego.

"It was a box home not built for aesthetics, and we wanted to show what can be done with an old, tired house," Linton says.

They removed all the bathrooms, the kitchen, trim, doors, cabinets, carpet, and a third of the sheetrock, leaving some of the existing hard wood floors. Besides complete kitchen and bath renovations, they added crown finishes with matching trim, period moldings, lighting and wainscoting. The house's updated appearance offers a sense of timelessness.

It's important to be realistic both in terms of money and your home's physical limitations, say Linton and McMillen, but they encourage home owners to consider smaller scope for a project or concentrating on one room at a time before giving up on a dream renovation.

"It's human nature to want the best deal, but it's important to balance that with quality work. With Yalecrest, it's not in our character to sacrifice quality," Linton says.

To personally view the work of Yalecrest Renovations you are invited to a very special open house Saturday, from 12-3pm at 3330 Cedar Court in Lake Oswego.

YALECREST RENOVATIONS

OWNERS:
Bryce Linton & Joe McMillen

QUOTE:
"We strive for excellence in our clients' projects by paying attention to every detail. We strive to be distinctive in the details."
— Bryce Linton, co-owner and president

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4. Your contractor – Interview multiple contractors and choose one that fits your needs and personality.

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Yalecrest Renovation owners Bryce Linton and Joe McMillen focus on breathing new life into old homes.