

SOPHISTICATED, GLAMOROUS AND BOLD

CityVista's design combines San Antonio's vibrant culture and downtown urban style

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CityVista, a luxury residential development positioned in the heart of San Antonio, marries unparalleled vistas of the city's downtown skyline with one of the best locations in town. As a prestigious residential development in downtown San Antonio, erected on one of the highest elevations in the city, the project called for interiors worthy of its fabulous view and prime location in the midst of the city's shopping and culinary scene. Casey Roy of Casey Roy Design and Citrine Home was up to the challenge, creating chic, urban interiors worthy of the project's superior downtown location and views. "Our design directive was to create a luxury living environment with a resort-style aesthetic," says the San Antonio-

based designer. "We needed to create 'wow' moments, not just in the lobby, but throughout the property."

Casey Roy Design was involved in all phases of design and construction for the five-level development nestled between Trinity University and the University of Incarnate Word, comprised of 140 residential units, a rooftop terrace, coffee bar, interior courtyards, multiple interior living areas and an enviable pool deck outfitted with posh cabanas. "Within our scope of work, we made all finish selections for the property and provided all furnishings for the public spaces and the model units," says Roy. "It was an ideal scenario to accomplish our client's vision for CityVista."

Roy, who had collaborated with the client on an array of diverse projects in the past, recently sat down with Home Design & Decor magazine to chat about how she combined her seasoned design savvy with the project's sense of place to create CityVista's stylishly stunning lobby and great room.

For this particular project, what were the main objectives driving the design?

CR: This client is design savvy and sensitive to the regional influences of each project. For CityVista, their vision for the development was to mirror the sophisticated, culturally vibrant aspects of San Antonio and make the interiors an artful, bold expression of urban style. Also, the central location and proximity to areas such as Alamo Heights, Pearl Brewery and downtown make it attractive to sophisticated professionals who want easy access to hot new restaurants, nightlife and shopping.

What was the main inspiration that guided your interior design selections throughout the project?

CR: CityVista is reflective of San Antonio's cosmopolitan population. People flock to this area to live, work and play. Whether they are visiting, full-time residents or establish-

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art, glam accessories, mixed colors and textures make these spaces energetic and stylish. A stark contrast of black and white walls against a black patterned wood floor provides a vibrant backdrop to the large scale abstract art pieces. A couple of favorite statements in these spaces are the black and white zebra rug and the opposing silver and gold leaf river rock coffee tables. The layers of color and pattern in the pillows add to the artful style of the spaces. We love the texture that the silver shaggy rug adds to the overall mix. We were drawn to each of the furnishing pieces for what they contributed to the overall collection of this artful and colorful statement of style. Locally, at Citrine Home, we have curated similar stylish finds that are available in our showroom and online. From furniture to pillows, art and accessories and rugs and lamps, the store is a treasure trove of statement pieces and chic finds.

What do the interiors convey about your design philosophy?

CR: We design specifically for each client and project. We don't have a singular style or look. Our design philosophy is to simply create beautiful spaces that reflect the preferences and style of our clients.



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The lobby is so much fun. From statement lighting to the fun textures, prints and colors that pop against black and white walls, please elaborate on some of your favorite finds and what they do for the space overall.

CR: The collection of funky lighting, bold



Finally, what advice would you give others seeking to create a fun, creative yet well-balanced space like the one you've designed for CityVista's lobby and great room?

CR: For design success, establish a vision for the space and use it as a roadmap for making selections and for editing. Every design decision should boost your vision and make a statement. ❖

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