

# JEZEBEL

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## Welcome Home

Introducing the first *JEZEBEL* Liveable Lifestyles residence.

Our design team transforms this Buckhead high-rise condominium into the ultimate living space, *JEZ* style.

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Imagine life in the residential embodiment of *JEZEBEL* style. You're surrounded by sleek architecture, modern furnishings, brand-new technology, a chef's Viking kitchen and, naturally, a crystal-clear view of the city through floor-to-ceiling glass. Imagination can do wonders, but no longer is it necessary. Reality is here in its finest form.

*JEZEBEL* teamed up with celebrity designer Jim Weinberg—an award-winning industry veteran and a man whose furniture designs are featured in New York's Museum of Modern Art—along with the city's finest in renovation construction, audio/visual and fine arts, and together, the first *JEZEBEL* Liveable Lifestyles residence was created.

For the premiere space, we chose Mezzo, a Buckhead luxury high-rise rental condominium building developed by Tivoli Properties and managed by Williams Residential Management. The property's modern architecture, high-end finishes and lavish amenities provided the perfect backdrop for the original designs by the *JEZEBEL* Liveable Lifestyles team. The result is a home that we can proudly call our own. And we did it in less than 30 days—start to finish.

Read on, and be one of the first to tour this luxury floorplan, noting the amazing use of space, state-of-the-art integrated technology and the overall appeal of the living accommodations. While maintaining a modern vibe, the design team ensured the residence





remained cozy—and with plenty of home entertaining in mind. After the tour, we'll explain how you can have a *JEZEBEL* Liveable Lifestyles residence to call your own.

We asked Weinberg to lead us through the space, describing his thoughts as he created the area. He first turns his attention to the scale of the seating and artwork in the living room, which enhances the entertaining aspect of the room. Some creative design ideas and innovative use of furniture take advantage of the best aspects of the space. The oversized, custom-designed sofa sectional seats up to 10, making it ideal for gathering. "The seating is intended for use in two or three directions," he says. "We created a wonderful setting for watching both sunsets and television."

An original 10-foot-by-5-foot painting by Steve Litvak highlights the horizon line from the residence's western view and carries that into the artwork. "The painting was designed to hold the scale of the upholstery," Weinberg says. "The colors on both sides draw your eye into the center of the art and therefore, the center of the room. We also reversed the location of the TV so we take better advantage of the view."

To keep the television out of the way when it's not in use, Weinberg, in conjunction with furniture designer Don Chau, used a

hydraulic lift to retract it into the versatile cabinet—a nice detail that certainly adds to the "wow" factor of the residence's features. The dark hardwood floors get a textural accent from the bright white shaggy rug from Myers Carpet. The carpet is soft to the touch, and feels great on bare feet. Additional seating in the form of white leather benches from Movers & Shakers along the windows are perfect perches for lounging.

"In the living room, we were challenged by the two structural concrete columns anchored against the floor-to-ceiling glass," Weinberg says. "Our solution was to hide the top and bottom with black lacquered wood and then wrap the rest with mirror, reflecting 360-degree views and camouflaging the fact that the columns were even there. To accentuate this new architectural feature, Italian stainless-steel wall sconces were used with a fuchsia hot light. This remodeling work was skillfully executed by Glazer Design & Construction."

White sheer draperies fabricated by Designer's Dream Workshop hug the glass and surround the columns for softness and romance while disguising any deterrents from the main view. The same drapery hangs throughout the living space, repeating the soft feeling along the floor-to-ceiling glass and helping to emphasize an overall sexy vibe. Adjacent to the far column, an overscaled light



"From Horizon Home Furniture is the **dining room** table, which is accented by the sunburst copper top with Biedermeier black lacquer legs. It was important that this piece was round to allow for circulation while entertaining, and to reinforce the architectural curve of the home's ceiling. The backs of the chairs also are trimmed in black lacquer—a design note that's consistently reinforced throughout the home." —Jim Weinberg

Weinberg chose **JEZEBEL red for the ceiling** color, from the entrance flowing into and throughout the curve of the ceiling. To further emphasize this unique architectural detail, Weinberg blended black lacquer trim along the ceiling line. This level of detail was carried throughout the residence in many forms. With its western view, the residence provides spectacular million-dollar sunsets.



sculpture was placed, which can be seen from the street. “We overscaled it to create a feature that makes the space more intimate without feeling cramped,” Weinberg explains.

The credenza, which was set next to the upholstered seating, is an older piece designed by fashion maven Oscar de la Renta. How very appropriate for a *JEZEBEL* residence. “I always like having a found piece, a piece that shows character,” Weinberg says. “I also selected this piece as the scale of the black carries the corner of draperies to the upholstered seating, and the look of the trim was carried through to the trim of the pillows. The pillows, in turn, mirror the colors in the painting so it looks like the colors just fall from the painting to the sofa.”

While the furnishings create a wonderful living space, the technology makes this room—and every room—a great place to be entertained. We turned to Gus Cueto of Advanced Premises Systems to engineer the home automation and entertainment system. He utilized Crestron controllers paired with an Apple TV media server to stream digital media throughout the condominium. “The reason we chose to install this particular equipment

### THE AUDIO/VISUAL SYSTEM

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Crestron Adagio AADS audio distribution system, TPS-61 Isys® 5.7-inch wall mount **touchpanel**, two CNX-B4 four-button designer keypads

Apple TV media server

DIRECTV D12 receiver

Elan MM800C in-ceiling and MM800W in-wall speakers







In the **kitchen**, "a mirror backsplash was added to create the illusion that the ceiling carries on with much more depth, while also defining the woodwork as fine furniture rather than kitchen cabinetry," Weinberg says. The backsplash additionally created another reflection of the view, which is enjoyed while sitting on the bar stools. The island was upholstered with black leather tufting and **JEZEBEL** red buttons to create a soft yet masculine look. The cushioned upholstery also aids in absorbing the sound from the wood floors. The white, modern bar stools from Horizon Home Furniture are adjustable, allowing for both low and high seating.

Draperies in the **media room**, fabricated by Pooh Brown, create a romantic ambiance. An authentic opium bed from Thailand filled with original designed pillows, also by Brown, provides the perfect place to get comfy and watch the flat-screen TV affixed to the **JEZEBEL** red painted wall. An antique chest from China provides additional storage and boasts a hideaway chair, thus doubling as a desk. Collectibles from world travel are featured throughout the room, and original **JEZEBEL** travel photography graces the walls.





"For the magazine's mascots, Jez and Bella, we sought to create a **luxury living space** that speaks to the breed's English heritage," Weinberg says. And to execute that mission, we looked to native Georgia artist Al Greene. "We picked up the horizon line from the mural and accented it with a cobblestone rug from Anadol Rugs," Weinberg continues. "The English Waterford crystal chandelier provides an aristocratic touch."

lineup is due to its flexibility, ease of use and reliability," Cueto says. "The Crestron system is the most flexible system on the market in regards to how we can design the graphical interface and controls. Many competitors do not offer the same flexibility. With the Crestron system, we are able to create a custom graphical interface for the Apple TV that makes it extremely easy to control from the touch screen."

Ease of use is of utmost importance when designing what is, overall, a very complicated system. You'll never know how complicated it is because the touch-screen remotes are remarkably straightforward. "This system has a simple home page that shows which audio/video sources you have available," Cueto explains. "To access DIRECTV, simply press the DIRECTV logo; to access the radio, press the radio microphone button; and so on. Once you choose the source you want to listen to, you are taken to another custom graphic that spells out exactly what you need to do to access your favorite song, DIRECTV channel or radio station."

Although no system on the market is infallible, Crestron has proven to be the most reliable system around. "Crestron is used in most mission-critical government facilities and corporate board rooms," he says.

For more information on *JEZEBEL* Liveable Lifestyles residences at Mezzo, please call 404.351.8860.



"For the **bedroom**, we utilized the owner's Italian bed and integrated it into the overall design. "With the red hanging light fixture, and custom red and black draperies (which black out the room for sleeping), a wonderfully cozy mood is set." Original art by Liniqwe Weinberg carries the chosen color spectrum throughout the room, and helps integrate the bedroom with the rest of the residence. Cueto installed a CNX-B4 four-button designer keypad to control the audio that is heard through the Elan MM800W in-wall speakers in the bedroom and Elan MM800C in-ceiling speakers in the master bathroom.

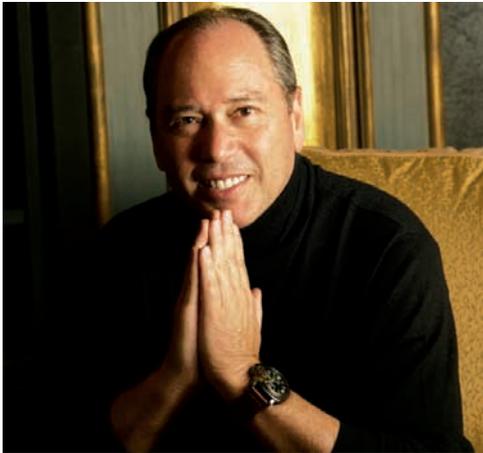
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In the **master bathroom**, "the frameless shower enclosure provides transparency from the shower to the tub area, and the slate stone mosaic application to the column gives the bathroom an open feeling. The sinks are surrounded by a Travertine countertop, indicative of high-end bathrooms," Weinberg says.



# Meet The Design Team



## Jim Weinberg, Liveable Lifestyles®

With more than 35 years of interior design experience under his belt, **Jim Weinberg, Liveable Lifestyles® founder**, is one of the most sought-after in his field. Known for his use of color and natural materials, Weinberg has worked everywhere from Milan, Italy, to Aspen, Colo., to Atlanta, innovating and inspiring design every step of the way. Boasting three furniture designs featured in New York's Museum of Modern Art, his contemporary lines and multi-functional styles have placed him in the upper echelon of interior designers. And having received the Interior Design Guild's "Designer of the Year Award" more than six times—working with clients such as Donald and Ivanka Trump, Kenny Rogers, Chris Tucker and Dallas Austin—Weinberg leads the JEZEBEL Liveable Lifestyles design team.



## Glazer Design & Construction

**Randy Glazer (right), owner and president of Glazer Design & Construction**, has completed more than 500 projects in his career. Glazer is state licensed and insured, and is an Earthcraft House Builder. Building and renovating in Atlanta for more than 13 years, the company—which Glazer runs with his wife, Meredyth, and Lead Project Manager Francois Lodde (left) and staff—specializes in all aspects of design, building and renovating residential and commercial structures. For this project, Glazer Design & Construction worked as an integral team player and was responsible for the residence's renovation work, which included painting, trim, electrical, mirrors and more.



## Gus Cueto, Advanced Premises Systems

**Gus Cueto** is a licensed professional engineer with more than two decades of experience in the residential, commercial and industrial automation industries. Cueto began his professional career in the industrial automation field and designed control systems for large manufacturing facilities worldwide. Cueto founded APS in 1999, and has built it into one of Atlanta's most respected audio, video and controls companies. Cueto's passion is to provide extremely easy-to-use, reliable audio/video and control systems that enhance one's lifestyle and provide convenient controls that help save energy and preserve the environment. As a passionate environmentalist, Cueto has designed cost-effective energy management systems for small to midsized commercial buildings, allowing them to save energy and reduce their carbon footprint. He even has a patent-pending lighting-control device designed to be ultra reliable and cost-effective. For this project, Cueto selected and installed a state-of-the-art audio/visual system.

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## Al Greene, Muralist

**Al Greene** is a local artist and native of Georgia. Since graduating from Savannah College of Art and Design, Greene has been working in both the decorative and fine art fields. He stays busy working with designers for public and private clients, as well as designing and creating paintings for commercial businesses. His work can be seen at the CNN Center, the Georgia World Congress Center, and throughout the United States and Canada in Moe's Southwest Grill locations. Greene has been showing and selling his work independently for more than 10 years. For this project, Greene designed and painted the mural in Jez and Bella's room.



### Exclusive design team creative collaborators:

- Original artwork by **Steve Litvak**.
- Original drapery fabrication by **Pooh Brown**.
- Original area carpets by **Myers Carpet**.
- Custom upholstery by **Oscar's Upholstery**.
- Select furnishings from **Horizon Home Furniture**.
- Video documentation by **John Wheatley**.