



# Arlene Critzos



Founded by principal Arlene Critzos, Interior Concepts celebrated its 40th anniversary this past year. The award-winning firm boasts a 50-member staff, a 50,000 square-foot warehouse and an international portfolio of projects that includes family homes, vacation retreats, large flats and estates—as well as the vice president’s Naval Observatory residence. “To me, interior design is a passion,” Critzos observes. “I take pride and pleasure in creating the most valuable facet of a person’s life: their environment.”

Located on the South River in Annapolis, a new residence built by Joy Design + Build reflects a modern farmhouse river retreat. Arlene Critzos along with designer Samantha Sopp-Wittwer created comfortable, elegant interiors for this home. With an eye on dramatic views of the water, the pair combined clean, white walls and windows trimmed in black for an edgy yet understated backdrop. Wire-brushed beams, urchin-like chandeliers and dramatic modern art completes the aesthetic.

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