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Interior Designer Angie Wetzel and InterLux Interiors are redefining Tampa's dynamic luxury design landscape



or interior designer Angie Wetzel, bringing a passion for globally inspired modern design to the Tampa Bay area is everything.

"We are in an exciting period in Tampa in terms of interior design," Wetzel says. "We're a cosmopolitan city that's embracing modern design in new and diverse ways. It's inspiring to be a part of that energy."

Raised in Bangkok, Wetzel embarked on her career first as a student in London—she received undergraduate and graduate degrees in interior design from the most prestigious design school in the world, University of the Arts London—and then as a designer at one of the most renowned interior design firms in Asia. As her projects took her around the world, Wetzel developed a unique approach to interiors, melding her impeccable understanding of client-focused design with a talent for weaving an international perspective into spaces that are both aesthetically and emotionally compelling.

"Thoughtful interior design is a kind of poetry," Wetzel explains. "It should be beautiful and functional, but it should also stir the emotions and senses."





CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: Principal designer and InterLux Interiors CEO Angie Wetzel. High-gloss surfaces framed in metallic gold and polished marble illuminate an elegant entryway. A powder room features marble with graphic black veining, a gold-trimmed coffered ceiling, and bespoke mirrored lighting. A centerpiece chandelier highlights the soaring double-story height of a dining area.

After moving to Tampa in 2011, Wetzel continued her international work for 10 years before setting her sights closer to home and launching InterLux Interiors, her full-service luxury design firm, in 2022.

Sought-after by clients throughout south and central Florida and the New York City area, InterLux Interiors is now a leading light in Tampa's design scene, garnering some of the area's most high-profile projects—from restaurants and offices to high-end residences and luxury yachts. In each, Wetzel's trademark artistry for creating luxurious interiors with a global perspective is delivered with a level of personal service unsurpassed in the industry.

"We serve a discerning clientele who value luxury and comfort and who expect exceptional service," Wetzel explains. "My goal is to create bespoke interior environments that exceed their expectations while providing white-glove service throughout. When a client refers us to friends and colleagues, or returns to us for new projects, that's my ultimate indicator for success."

One such success can be found in the Crystal Residence, a lavish whole-home remodel Wetzel recently completed. One among seven projects InterLux Interiors has undertaken for this client—including other residences, a condominium, and the interiors for two luxury yachts—the Crystal Residence is a stunning showcase of Wetzel's eye for luxury detailing and her signature use of natural materials in innovative and unexpected ways.

A glittering composition of high-end design and bespoke comfort define the residence's opulent interiors. A gleaming marble floor, meticulously laid in a herringbone pattern to accentuate the marble's linear veining, lines the entryway while hyper-detailed ceiling elements from the gold-lined coffering in the living areas to the star-dappled ceilings of the nursery accentuate the grandeur of the home. Feature walls of backlit blue agate and Wetzel's majestically curved glass and metallic staircase further underscore the home's one-of-a-kind identity and modernist DNA.

"We work in many styles, but the thread running throughout is my love for modern interiors with a worldly sensibility," Wetzel says. "Modern design is all about diversity.







The materials are a little mix of everything, to create something completely new and personal."

As the design landscape continues to evolve, Wetzel and InterLux Interiors are poised to meet the moment.

"I want people to feel inspired by my work and aspire to live in modern, luxurious interiors," Wetzel concludes. "A beautiful home elevates every facet of your life." clockwise from top: A sleekly contemporary kitchen boasts two marble waterfall islands complemented by pops of deep blue. Rich textures and opulent textiles lend a Continental sensibility to a modern bedroom. Luxurious details elevate the laid-back ambiance of an expansive lounge and game room. Sophisticated comfort takes center stage in a master suite wrapped in a warm neutral palette.

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