

# Living in COLOR

*Photography by Rustic White Interiors*

Neutrals seem to be the trend when renovating or refreshing your home. But not for Kim and John Turner. When the couple decided to refresh their home off Meigs in Athens' historic Cobbham district it was all about color.

The Turners worked with local interior designer Tami Ramsay. Ramsay, along with her partner Krista Nye Nicholas, own Cloth & Kind – an interior design studio located in Athens and Ann Arbor, Mich. known for their use of color.

The house itself has a colorful past. Once upon a time, it was a duplex owned by a man with multiple personality disorder. According to Ramsay, he decorated the two sections to suit his split personalities and would choose which side of the home he lived on depending on his particular personality. It is said that the story/house inspired R.E.M.'s song, Life and How to Live It, and also served as a space for local bands to jam.

Ramsay worked with Athens Building Company to renovate and expand the home, building out the attic for the Turners daughters, Sloane and Carolina.

Collectors of antiques, Ramsey incorporated the Turners pieces whenever possible and selected others that would complement when necessary.

"This house has quite the story to tell," Ramsey explained. "It was really a fun project."



**THE LIVING ROOM** painted in Farrow & Ball's Sundry Yellow exudes a warm and inviting glow. The Lee Industries sectional is one of only a handful of new pieces purchased for the refresh. Custom window treatments, made by Athens-based Hable Construction Textiles, add a pop of color.





**THE KITCHEN.** which was once located in the rear of the house, now opens to the living room allowing for ease of entertaining. **LEFT:** A small table in the living room serves as the perfect spot for family game night.

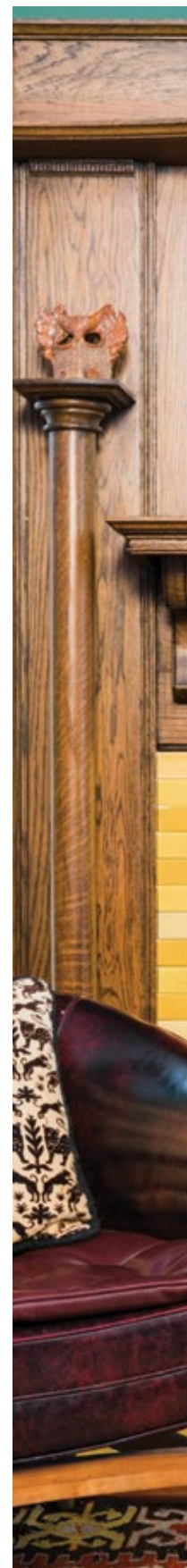


**THE MUDROOM**

Ramsay designed a mudroom in a bright orange to complement the colorful stained glass in the door.

**CENTER:** The tile around the fireplace matches wall color of the living room.

**FAR RIGHT:** The front door, which features beautiful panes of stained glass, is original to the home.









**FAR LEFT:**  
A dining table, complete with antique mismatch chairs, lends to the home's artsy tone. Ramsay painted the picture rail and ceiling in Vardo, by Farrow & Ball.

**MASTER BATHROOM & BEDROOM**  
**LEFT AND BELOW:**  
Ramsay kept the master bath light and airy with various green accents to complement the color palette in the master bedroom. When renovating the master bedroom, Ramsay discovered the original colorful plaster walls and refinished the fireplace with bright scalloped tiles by Traditions in Tile.

