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REIMAGINING TRADITION Architects Amanda Denmark and Pearce Scott of Pearce Scott Architects were challenged to deviate from their usual work and embrace a more contemporary style requested by the Palmetto Bluff homeowners. The result is a boldly asymmetrical home that blends modern design with elements of traditional Southern architecture.



HOME SHOWCASE

Breaking the mold

Architects were asked to do something 'a little different' in this Palmetto Bluff home. In following that mandate, they raised the Lowcountry standard.

STORY BY BARRY KAUFMAN
PHOTOS BY KATIE CHARLOTTE

Architecture, like any art, is driven by the thirst to find what's next. It's not just about what you create today, it's about how the things you create drive what comes after. Amanda Denmark and Pearce Scott of [Pearce Scott Architects](#) know that challenge all too well. The homes they have created have helped define the look of the Lowcountry's modern era, even as they've rewritten that definition with each home.

But sometimes even a firm known for pushing the envelope is asked to push even harder. That's when true creativity is given free rein.

"The owners of this home had hired an interior designer out of Charleston who had a very contemporary feel, so we were able to play with that a little bit together," said Scott. "But they still wanted it to fit into that Palmetto Bluff aesthetic."

Boldly asymmetrical, and borrowing a few forgotten elements of Southern architecture, the home they built from that simple premise of doing something different stands as a tantalizing preview of where the art of architecture is headed.

Redefining tradition

One of the most fascinating examples of Pearce Scott Architect's outside-the-box thinking comes in the form of the home's separate carriage house. Eschewing the typical three-car saltbox, the carriage house joins two separate towering structures with a pass-through screened porch.

"I was looking through this old book of barn design in the Carolinas and got really excited because it did give us something different," said Scott. Drawing inspiration from the narrow peaks of traditional Carolina tobacco barns, they created a structure that flouted tradition even as it embraced classic materials like tabby, rendered in oversized blocks up two accent exterior walls.

"Depending on what point in history you're talking about, the heights of these tabby stacks would vary. I've done a lot of studying up on this," added Scott with a laugh.



The art of arrival

While most newer homes hit you immediately upon entry with a soaring two-story view of a great room, the desire to do something different on this project manifested as an entryway that feels more like the classic formal foyer.

"This one has a real connection to the living space, whereas we're used to doing these great rooms where you just walk right in. This house reacted to the site. Since we didn't have views necessarily ... we could really arrange the floor plan how we wanted," said Denmark. "Sometimes open floor plans really limit what you can do, and this one gave us another opportunity to do something a little bit different."

Adding to the entry's appeal are the steel-encased French doors, which open in to create almost a smaller foyer before the main entry. LL



Blending eras

Another element that finds its roots in the past while adding a new phrase to the home's visual lexicon, the dining room evokes both the old Southern solarium with key details that present as thoroughly modern.

"They wanted that vaulted space, but they wanted the windows to show slimmer lines to reflect that contemporary aspect," said Denmark.



Old meets bold

A FEARLESS BLEND OF OLD AND NEW CREATES AL FRESCO AMAZEMENT AT PALMETTO BLUFF.

STORY BY BARRY KAUFMAN + PHOTOGRAPHY BY KATIE CHARLOTTE

In a home built on the simple premise of doing something differently **Pearce Scott Architects** have crafted a Palmetto Bluff patio that serves as a brilliant example of the subtle touches that can make all the difference.



1. Matching outfits

Set in the same material as the carriage house's façade as well as the chimney's, the use of tabby creates a unifying element between exterior spaces.

2. Raise the bar

Softening the industrial edge, mahogany drink rails add rich texture to the porch's layered design.



3. Reinventing the ground rules

"They did not want that traditional tabby stucco floor," said Amanda Denmark with Pearce Scott Architects. "They wanted something with a little bit of an industrial edge."

Blue stone tiles created a pop of color, some visual interest and a decided break from the norm.



MASTERFULLY CONCEALED An integrated refrigerator and freezer from Billy Wood Appliance was both a practical decision and a deliberate design choice. This helped illustrate the kitchen's role as the unmistakable focal point of the home.



ROOM OF THE MONTH

Euro-Southern fusion

European elegance meets Southern charm in this Palmetto Bluff kitchen.

STORY BY SHEILA PAZ

The homeowners envisioned turning their kitchen into the central highlight of their Palmetto Bluff home — a vision realized through the collaborative efforts of Brantley King, the owner of **Billy Wood Appliance**, interior designer Leah Bailey and H2 Builders. Their goal was to infuse the kitchen with a blend of European and Southern charm, making the selection of the right appliances essential to turn the kitchen into a breathtaking centerpiece.

To do so, they custom designed a kitchen hood that mirrors the intricate details of the French-made La Cornue range. The hood features metal gold strapping, a nod to traditional European craftsmanship, while the combination of silver and gold on the range captures the Euro-Southern aesthetic they aimed for.

“Creating an appealing space with a beautiful range and hood creates an inviting atmosphere and will turn the cooking space into a place where culinary creativity can thrive,” King said.

The curated choices of lighting, sink fixtures and cabinet hardware were paired with complementary upholsteries to ensure each element stands out, while preserving visual harmony. This kitchen captured their dream, with each detail contributing to a Euro-Southern blend. *LL*

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– Leslie Stewart



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Their techniques go back centuries, and they still do it the same way their great-great-grandmothers did it."

– Chef Scott Hastings



CHARLIE'S COASTAL BISTRO

"My time abroad in Italy made a huge impression on how I view good cooking. The freshest and simplest ingredients are the best. I am definitely drawn toward Mediterranean flavors that are pervasive throughout Southern Italian, Provençal and Spanish cooking. Just let the ingredients do the talking in a dish."

– Margaret Pearman



PALMETTO BLUFF CLUB

"For me, I always revert back to my homeland of Australia. Australia is truly a multicultural country, filled with immigrants from all over the world. With our proximity to Southeast Asia, we are heavily influenced by the fresh vibrant flavors of Vietnamese cuisine, but we also have a very large Greek population, so there is an amazing Mediterranean presence in our cuisine."

– Chef Rhy Waddington



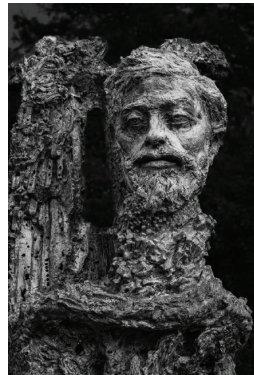
CASSANDRA'S KITCHEN STORE

"Currently, it would be Greece. Healthy and lots of flavor."

– Cassandra Schultz

JUNE happenings

Arts & Culture



JUNE 1-7

Photography exhibit

When: Times vary, now-July 7 **Where:** Coastal Discovery Museum
Details: See images featuring natural and historic sites throughout the region from the Camera Club of Hilton Head Island. Gallery talks will be at 2 p.m., June 12 and 22. coastaldiscovery.org



JUNE 19-22

June Palmetto Bluff Artist in Residence

When: Times vary, June 19-22 **Where:** FLOW Gallery + Workshop
Details: Katie White is this month's featured artist. See her work or attend a workshop. palmettobluff.com



JUNE 18-JULY 19

Land-Escapes: Through My Lens

When: Times vary, June 18-July 19
Where: Art League of Hilton Head
Details: See the work of artist Lyndsi Caulder this month during gallery hours and 90 minutes before every Arts Center performance. Attend the reception from 5-7 p.m., June 26. artleaguehi.org



JUNE 13-16

Always ... Patsy Cline

When: 7:30 p.m., June 13-15 & 3 p.m., June 16
Where: USCB Center for the Arts
Details: See Beaufort Theatre Company's production of this musical play inspired by the unforgettable Patsy Cline. uscbcenterforthearts.com



JUNE 21-30

Lend Me A Tenor

When: Times vary, June 21-30
Where: May River Theatre
Details: A sensation on Broadway and in London's West End, this madcap, screwball comedy by Ken Ludwig will leave you teary-eyed with laughter. mayrivertheatre.com



JUNE 14

Now & Then

When: Times vary, now-June 14
Where: Art League of Hilton Head
Details: See the work of artist Jo Dye this month during gallery hours and 90 minutes before every Arts Center performance. artleaguehi.org



JUNE 3-30

Bring the Light

When: Times vary, June 3-30
Where: SOBA Gallery
Details: Julia Kamenskikh is the Society of Bluffton Artists' featured artist for June. The opening reception is from 5-7 p.m., June 8. sobagallery.com



JUNE 16
Buffalos Brunch Series

When: 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m., June 16 **Where:** Buffalos in Palmetto Bluff
Details: Enjoy an all-you-can-eat brunch with bites, mimosas and live music.
palmettobluff.com



JUNE FIRST FRIDAY
Tap takeover at Big Jim's

When: 2-5 p.m., the first Friday of every month
Where: Big Jim's BBQ, Burgers & Pizza
Details: The first Friday of each month brings a tap takeover of three Southern Barrel Brewery draft beers to Big Jim's.
palmettodunes.com



JUNE THURSDAYS
Puglia Wine Dinner

When: 6:30 p.m., June 19
Where: Nunzio Restaurant + Bar
Details: Enjoy a multi-course wine dinner featuring the regional cuisine of Puglia and its wine along with special guest Miriam Gonzalez, RND. Call nunziohi.com



JUNE TUESDAYS
Tasty Tuesday Wine Tastings

When: 5-7 p.m., Tuesdays
Where: Rollers Wine & Spirits
Details: Enjoy a wine tasting with live music and small bites led by Rollers' certified sommeliers. The tasting will feature 4-6 new wines and some familiar favorites. Call 843-842-1200 to reserve your spot.

JUNE SUNDAYS
Plums Sunday Supper

When: 5:30-9:30 p.m., Sundays
Where: Plums Restaurant in Beaufort
Details: Enjoy monthly dishes and delightful conversations for \$32 per person. plumsrestaurant.com



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Research Excursion: Bluebird Surveys: 1-3:30 p.m., June 18

Let's Talk About...Reptiles! 11 a.m.-noon, June 20

PBC Birding: Wilson Village: 8-10 a.m., June 28



JUNE TUESDAYS

Yoga class at Moor Spa

When: 6-7 p.m., Tuesdays

Where: Moor Spa Hilton Head

Details: Enjoy slow flow and stretch yoga with local treasure Jennie Garcia at Moor Spa. Call 843-681-6060 to reserve your spot. moorespa.com



JUNE 15

Beaufort Water Festival Cornhole Tournament

When: 2-5 p.m., June 15

Where: Burton Wells Gym

Details: Sign up to compete in this annual tournament and get a chance to win cash prizes while benefiting the Beaufort Water Festival. bftwaterfestival.com

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UPCOMING MARKETS

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Noon-4 p.m., Thursdays, 68 Boundary St.
- Hilton Head Island Farmers Market:**
9 a.m.-1 p.m., Tuesdays, Coastal Discovery Museum
- Port Royal Farmers Market:**
9 a.m.-noon, Saturdays, Naval Heritage Park
- Forsythe Farmers Market:**
9 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturdays, Savannah
- The Saturday Market:** 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturdays,
The Bridge Collective on Calhoun Street
- Beaufort First Friday:**
5-8 p.m., first Friday of each month, Downtown Beaufort
- Hilton Head Community Market:** 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.,
Saturdays, Shelter Cove Community Park
- Farmers & Makers Market:**
10 a.m.-2 p.m., Tuesdays, The Shops at Sea Pines Center
- Palmetto Bluff Farmers Market:** 9 a.m.-1 p.m., June 5 & 19
- Island Originals Local Artist Market:**
11 a.m.-3 p.m., Wednesdays on the SoundWaves patio
- JCGS Island Original Artists Market:**
4-7 p.m., Tuesdays, Jarvis Creek General Store
- Party in the Park + Maker's Fair:**
6 p.m., Thursdays, Lowcountry Celebration Park

JUNE 15 & 16

Hilton Head Father's Day Craft & Vendor Market

When: 10 a.m.-4 p.m., June 15 & 10 a.m.-5 p.m., June 16

Where: Tanger Outlets Hilton Head

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