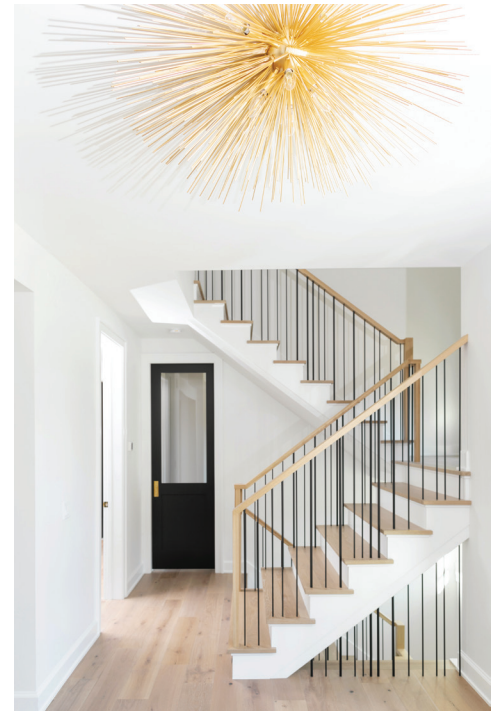




Resonance Realized

Collaboration, connection, and a design process built on trust are at the heart of architect Dru Chapman Lewis' talent for creating spaces that feel like home.

Resonance. It's the word architect Dru Chapman Lewis returns to often when describing her work. For her, a home should connect on a profound level, feeling unmistakably right the moment someone walks through the door.

"When someone first steps into their home, it should feel like it's always been theirs," says Chapman Lewis, founder of Studio Chapman. "That instant sense of resonance is what we're always working toward."

Achieving that feeling begins with a process built on trust and collaboration. Chapman Lewis creates an environment where clients feel comfortable sharing ideas and exploring possibilities. Meetings are relaxed opportunities for open conversation and discovery. Images, sketches, and stories are all part of uncovering what will evoke the feeling her clients are looking for in their home.

"It's never about me imposing my aesthetic," Chapman Lewis explains. "It's about uncovering what feels authentic to them and shaping a design around that."

As a small, boutique firm, Studio Chapman is able to stay nimble and responsive, adapting easily as projects evolve, moving seamlessly between big-picture vision and finely tuned details, whether addressing zoning challenges or refining interior architectural elements. This flexibility, combined with her relaxed and engaging style, helps clients feel supported throughout what can often be a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

For Chapman Lewis, the design journey is as important as the finished home. She thrives on the give-and-take collaboration between client, architect, and builder, believing that the best results grow out of shared ideas and mutual trust—to prove it, Chapman Lewis' phone is filled with voice messages from clients praising the final result.

"I love when everyone is engaged and energized by the process," she says. "That collaboration brings out the most thoughtful work and makes the experience, as well as the result, incredibly rewarding for everyone."

TOP FROM LEFT: With a contrasting dark gray and white exterior, this modern residence screams sophistication. The team kept the openness of the home through the slim metal of the staircase. Photos by The MittenTog. Built by Kenowa Builders.

MIDDLE: For The Dune House, the team embraced Scandinavian design to create an airy, treehouse effect. Built by Parkside Homes.

BOTTOM: Appearing within the canopy, the treehouse design of The Dune House is in full force in the home's living room.