

# Greystone

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Building a Family in Greystone—  
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# Artistry and Originality: INSIDE GREYSTONE'S FINEST RENOVATIONS

There are many elements that define a Jason Thomas renovated home: massive custom-crafted iron front doors, extensive, stately, and luxurious moldings, and crystal chandeliers (lots of crystal chandeliers!) imported from all over the world.

While these are just a few of his design elements, he also is known for highly stylized kitchens (custom built on site), luxurious bathrooms, over-the-top closets, well-appointed outdoor resort-style living spaces, and white exteriors. Jason loves the grand look of white exteriors—so much so that he developed and uses his own (top-secret) signature “best white” color.

Jason, a resident of Greystone Founders, has been nurturing his sense of style and design since he was a youngster. In fact, when he was only in the fourth grade, Jason designed his parents' home which landed him on the cover of the local newspaper! Today he is a licensed contractor who creates his own designs and draws his own blueprints freelance—creating impressive unique and refined living spaces in Greystone and beyond.

Jason's creativity was greatly influenced and inspired while studying abroad at Samford University's Daniel House, a 5-story home just



down the road from Kensington Palace in London. He spent two years abroad visiting and studying castles and chateaus throughout Europe. This helped him develop an appreciation for gracious living, art history, European architecture, and public gardens—and embrace design elements and ideas he now integrates into his original renovations.

About a decade ago, at just 29 years old, Jason put his love of building and design to the test with his first renovation—an 11,300-square-foot Greystone home on Canongate Lane. After a complete top-to-bottom restoration and redesign, this stunning home now includes all of the “Jason Thomas elements” along with plenty of travertine tile, oversized limestone fireplaces, Italian marble, and a Sistine Chapel-inspired hand-painted ceiling mural. Once completed, he sold the home (furnished) to an admirer and

purchased and completely renovated nearly a dozen homes in and around Greystone including five in Founders (one on Castlehill Road and one on Shandwick Place are pictured here), one at Greystone Crest (an 11,265-square-foot home completed in December 2023), and one 10,500-square-foot home in the Shoal Creek golf community. Some of these he purchased to live in himself, others he purchased to “flip,” and others he renovated for homeowners who simply love his style and vision.

When Jason walks into a project home, he says it takes him less than five minutes to envision the possibilities. While large Greystone homes are his forte, he has ventured out and built two brand new custom homes from the ground up: one on Smith Lake in Cullman and the other on 2nd Avenue South in the heart of Avondale



*Jason Thomas*

began to think about his next Greystone project (which he actually purchased while still living in the Canongate home).

To date, Jason has

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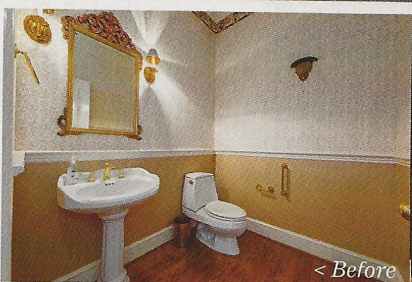


(which became the most expensive home ever sold in that area).

Through each project, Jason has been able to update and enhance Greystone, adding visual interest and grandeur to an already stately community, while increasing property values across the neighborhood. We look forward to his next endeavor!



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