

ATLANTA WOMEN'S *Business Chronicle*

Not only beautiful and multi-talented, Bridgette Boylan has the energy most of us only dream about! With a clientele numbering into the hundreds, and a P&L pulsing \$250,000 last year, you can understand why (and how) she had earned the name and reputation she has.

Bridgette Boylan has not only brought prodigious interior design to north Fulton (and its surrounding areas) she had also given custom-design the connotation it deserves. When you enter the office of Bridgette Boylan Interiors you sense an ambiance of grace, charm, and class that entices even the simplest of taste. Each of her offices, impeccably decorated, gives you a sense of enrichment in itself. Then you meet a lady who loves her work!

Although Bridgette grew up in Aiken, South Carolina she chose Berry College to further her education. After receiving her Bachelor of Arts degree, she followed the advice of her professor and went on to get a pre-law (paralegal) degree which parlayed her job in one of our down-town law firms. "I did that for six years, and enjoyed it-but my heart and my love were design and art. I'd been doing decorating on the side for my friends and not getting paid for it, so in 1983 I decided to quit my job and start my own design business." Not wanting to leave the firm without notice, Bridgette tried to work out a part-time "flex-schedule" with them – they insisted on full-time or no time! But Bridgette was committed (to her dream) – and her husband thought she ought to be committed...

Bridgette rented a small office and went to work. Her initial exposure came through an architect/friend. He did the space planning and she did all the designing. In the beginning it was almost exclusively small offices, but realizing that wasn't the only type of work she wanted to do. "I started advertising more for residential work, and some of my commercial accounts became residential accounts. Now I prefer residential design over anything else. The home is a lot warmer than the office; it gives me a chance to get closer to my clients." Bridgette's clients always become more – they become friends, people she really grows to care about.

Bridgette's talents and creativity are second only to her candor. "I'll tell you what looks good from a designer's standpoint, but I'm going to put everything I have into decorating YOUR home, according to YOUR tastes. It's important for a designer to remember that it is the CLIENT'S home; I don't believe in walking into a home and turning it into a "Bill Blass Signature Series."

Bridgette owns an extensive library of books and samples of wallcoverings, window treatments, fabrics for drapes and upholstery, carpets and rug samples. Anything and everything you could possibly want to custom-design your home is available through her extensive entourage. You can contact Bridgette at any time to answer your questions (free of charge) about decorating your home or office, and you'll be so glad you did.