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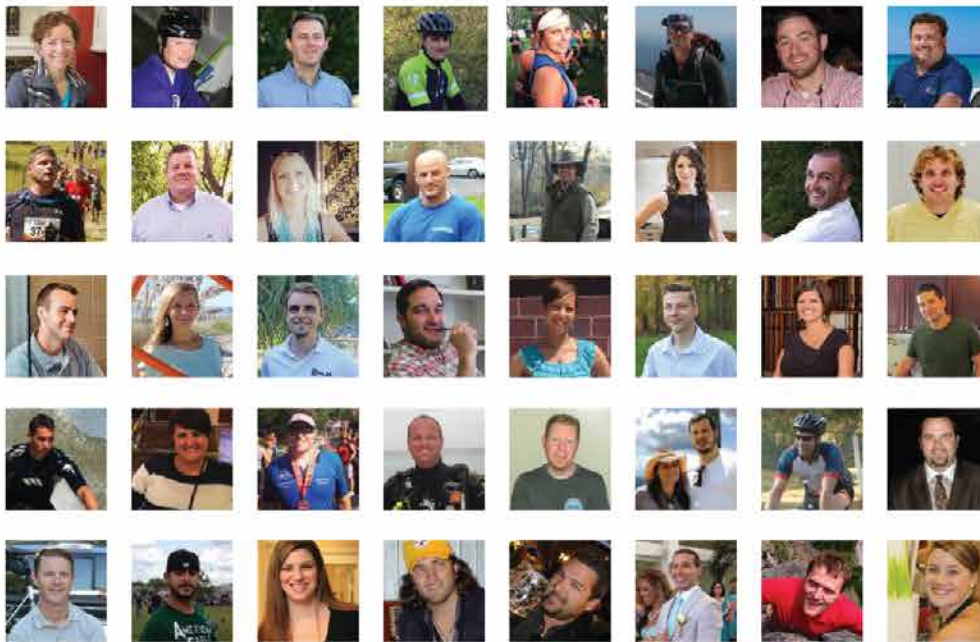
Molly Switzer and 39
of the industry's next
generation of leaders



2013 & 2012 JESSE H. NEAL
AWARD WINNER

 **SGC HORIZON**
a Schmitt-Lette
Communications company

forty UNDER 40



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Class of 2014 represents diverse background, momentum for future of remodeling industry

BY TIM GREGORSKI, EDITOR IN CHIEF & ABBY KLECKLER, ASSOCIATE EDITOR

The 40 remodeling professionals on the following pages represent *Professional Remodeler's* 40 Under 40 Class of 2014.

This year's class was chosen from over 100 applicants and they join the previous 120 recipients of the 40 Under 40 award dating back to 2011.

As has been the case in previous

years, they are very diverse in their professional and personal interests, as well as their service to professional societies and philanthropic organizations such as Habitat for Humanity.

Professional Remodeler is proud to present the 40 Under 40 Class of 2014, our industry's next generation of remodeling leaders. **PR**

EBONY STEPHENSON²⁹



DESIGN AND SELECTIONS
CRINER REMODELING
NEWPORT NEWS, VA.

EDUCATION

BA, Virginia Tech

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Criner Remodeling has increased business and revenue with the addition of Ebony. As a professionally trained in-house designer, assists clients with product selections and design
- Named to NKBA 30 Under 30 in 2014
- Recognized for leadership and community involvement by U.S. Senator Mark Warner (Va.)

EXTRACURRICULAR

- Vice President of Technology & Communications, Virginia State Chapter NKBA
- Member, NAHB, PHBA, PRC
- OFF THE CLOCK
- Can't live without: family
- Can live without: chocolate
- Favorite movie: "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory"
- Favorite food: shellfish
- Favorite vacation spot: the beach
- Favorite book: the Bible
- Enjoys going to the salon, walking on the beach and hiking

SECRET LIFE

- Painted the kitchen walls of her new home electric lime green
- Scared of mascots and people in costumes



CHRIS RISHER³⁹

PRINCIPAL, RISHERMARTIN FINE
HOMES, AUSTIN, TEXAS

EDUCATION

BS, University of Texas at Austin
PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Started the business in 2010 with long-time friend and partner Jeremy Martin
- Winner, 2013 CotY Award for Commercial Interiors, Residential Kitchen Under \$40,000
- June 2012, NAHBR Remodeler of the Month
- Winner, 2012 HBA of Greater Austin MAX Award for 6 different categories
- Winner, 2011 Texas Association of Builders Grand ROY
- Winner, 2011 CotY Award for Residential Addition \$100,000-\$250,000; Residential Kitchen \$40,000-\$80,000; Home Theatre & Media Room less than \$150,000

EXTRACURRICULAR

- President, NARI Austin
- Volunteer, Habitat for Humanity
- OFF THE CLOCK
- Can't live without: caffeine
- Can live without: Austin traffic
- Favorite food: sushi
- Favorite movie: "The Shawshank Redemption"
- Favorite vacations: Rwanda, Patagonia, and Tanzania, and up next is Bengal

SECRET LIFE

Enjoys driving his 1961 Buick LeSabre convertible

ROBBIE EDWARDS³³

PARTNER
THE KINGSTON GROUP
NASHVILLE, TENN.



EDUCATION

Nashville State Technical
Community College

PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS

CGP

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Started company in 2007 with partner Ricky Scott and only \$500, by 2013 gross sales totaled just under \$4 million
- Since 2010 company has increased revenue 503 percent
- In the last year, company staff has grown 33 percent to a total of 11 employees
- Winner, 2013 and 2012 Best of Houzz Awards
- Winner, 2013 and 2012, *Nashville Business Journal's* Small Business Awards
- EXTRACURRICULAR
- Member, NAHB
- Volunteer, Music City Turkey Bowl
- OFF THE CLOCK
- Can't live without: cooking meat over an open fire
- Favorite movie: "The Secret Life of Walter Mitty"
- Favorite food: eggs with carne asada and pico de gallo
- Enjoys working out, being outdoors, hunting, fishing, trail running, and canoeing
- SECRET LIFE
- Grandfather once made a violin from a cigar box and taught himself to play



MACHI MEDRZYCKI³¹

OWNER/SALES & MARKETING
MLM INC.
METAIRIE, LA.

PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS

- State of Louisiana-licensed contractor
- Certified HydroStop installer
- ACCOMPLISHMENTS
- Firm rated No. 1 Commercial and Residential contractor in the New Orleans area
- Launched a real estate development division of the company building spec homes
- Winner, 2012 Sonata Award for best bathroom design and remodeling

- Featured in *Our Louisiana* and *New Orleans Homes & Lifestyle* magazines

EXTRACURRICULAR

Member, HBA of Metro New Orleans

OFF THE CLOCK

- Can't live without: his work
- Favorite food: sushi
- Favorite vacation spot: anywhere with the beach and sun
- Enjoys riding his Harley Davidson Fat Boy motorcycle and designing unique remodeling projects
- SECRET LIFE
- Tests his skills by doing P90X, Insanity, or any competitive sport