

FYDC: D.C. Design House

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Washington designers transform a sprawling Spring Valley home for a good cause.

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Designer Kelley Proxmire's "L'Orangerie." (Photo by Robert Radifera)

Design junkies looking to live out their secret fantasies of living the good life shouldn't miss the **D.C. Design House**, benefiting **Children's National Medical Center** and officially opening to the public on Saturday, April 14 at 4951 Rockwood Parkway NW.

Washington's top designers flexed their considerable aesthetic muscles to outfit 23 rooms in what was once the home of **Gladys and Dr. Francisco Aguirre** and their six children. An international consultant, the late Francisco Aguirre was well-known in Latino circles as the founder of "Diario Las Americas" newspaper, which family members still run in Miami, though Mrs. Aguirre – now a sprightly 90 years – lives in Washington.

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