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In the guest room, a second wall unit also holds a few surprises. When closed, the piece functions as a sleek desk surface with both open and closed storage areas and an entertainment center. Flip the unit open to reveal a murphy bed for the occasional overnight guests. With careful attention to detail, Nelson designed the unit so that the closed storage band under the television serves as a nightstand on one side of the bed, while an open shelf on the other side of the bed pulls out to create a second nightstand surface. When the bed is opened, the desk surface becomes the support structure underneath.

Throughout the home, Nelson selected finishes and materials tailored to the couple's new lifestyle. At a recent seminar hosted at Michigan Design Center, she summed up the wholistic approach she takes when designing for her clients. "Good design is a necessity, not a luxury," she advised. "Take a look at how you need your space to function, and then we will develop a design solution that feels personal to you and reflects your own sense of style."

The guest room does triple duty - the cozy seating is perfect for television, while the wall unit functions as both desk and guest bed. Wallcovering: **Tennant & Associates**, Suite 61.