

High performance fabrics and clean design make this a carefree and comfortable entertainment space. Photographs by Holly Tenneriello.

DIGNIFIED FAMILY ROOM | Artichoke Interiors

Sometimes you just need a place where everyone in the family can relax and unwind. Enter Dawn Jacobs, principal designer at *Artichoke Interiors* and her Lake Orion-based client: "The homeowner wanted to create a lower-level area that she could use to entertain and relax in tandem with her two teenage boys," the designer says. Jacobs customarily starts her design process by assessing how the client would like to use the space, identifies the style and layout, and then creates drawings, and finally selects materials and finishes.

"The client was looking to create a beautiful area where she didn't have to worry about high-maintenance materials," Jacobs says. As a solution, she selected luxury vinyl flooring, leather chairs, performance fabrics and rugs, as well as distressed and reclaimed wood that harmonize into a sophisticated and carefree space.

Although it was not photographed, a focal point in the room includes a stone wall behind the TV viewing area. "It adds an element of surprise and depth, as well as texture through the use of natural material," the designer says. "I love how the homeowner's personality shines through with art that reflects her lifestyle and interests, along with accents in her favorite colors."

Sofas and leather chairs: **CAI Designs**; Dining table and TV console: **Lighting Resource Studio**