

▶ **AFTER ELEVEN YEARS OF WORKING OUT** of her basement, designer Elizabeth Benedict has opened a new studio and retail space on Commonwealth Avenue in Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts. Design clients and shoppers will find that **Elizabeth Benedict Home** feels like a beautifully decorated living room and dining room where the furnishings, art, and accessories are available to take home. A gallery of paintings and photography, curated by art consultant Libby Silvia, celebrates Boston-area artists. With offices in the back and a resource library in the basement, the space has everything Benedict and her staff need to offer complete design services.

▶ **URBANITES WHO ARE SERIOUS ABOUT THEIR** cooking have a new option for finding the perfect appliances. **Clarke** recently opened **7 Tide**, its third showroom and



test kitchen, at 7 Tide Street, near the Boston Design Center. Clarke is the only New England distributor that displays every model of Sub-Zero and Wolf, as well as other high-end appliances, and

the consultants who staff the showroom encourage customers to get hands-on experience.

▶ **IT'S BEEN A LONG, HAPPY CAREER FOR ALEX** Slive and Doug Hanna, of **S+H Construction**. After thirty-eight years at the helm

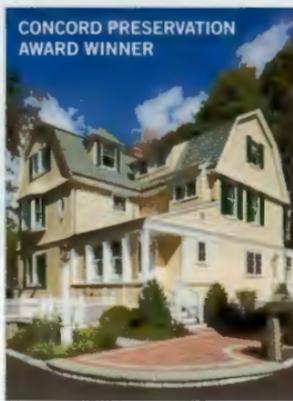
of their Cambridge, Massachusetts, firm, the pair are in the process of turning ownership over to Sarah Lawson, a project manager who owned her own construction company before joining S+H a decade ago. Lawson, who won a Preservation Award in 2009 from the Cambridge



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Historical Commission, is the perfect choice to carry on the firm's tradition, the founders believe. "Sarah understands what this company is—and what it could be," Hanna says. "We think she'll make S+H even stronger, and carry the company into the next forty years."

▶ **IT'S SHAPING UP TO BE A REWARDING YEAR** for John Battle of **Battle Associates Architects**, in Concord, Massachusetts. The firm, along with Groton, Massachusetts-based **Platt Builders**, won a national 2016 CotY Award, in the category of "Kitchens over \$150,000," from the National Association of the Remodeling Industry. And Battle and his team recently merited a Concord Preservation Award



for "Sensitive Addition/Alteration to a Historic House" for its work on a gambrel-roofed Victorian home in Concord's Historic District.