



Quarry House remodel  
takes top prize at A+Awards

## Description

**Completed in partnership with House of Honey, the project was selected as the 2022 Popular Choice Winner**

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The **Quarry House project**, completed by **AB design studio** in partnership with **House of Honey**, received a popular choice vote in the **2022 Architizer A+Awards** and has been selected as the **2022 Architizer A+Awards Popular Choice Winner in the Private House (M 2000-4000 sq ft)** category.



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## Quarry House

Located in Montecito, California, **Quarry House** is set in a rock quarry between the Santa Barbara foothills and the Santa Ynez mountain range. Grand boulders surround this single-story residence with an enhanced wrap-around wood deck. A long hallway links both sides of the home, from the remodelled kitchen and living spaces to a new voluminous master suite addition. The project reflects the artistic and Zen qualities of the area's past—a place once inhabited by a collective of bohemian poets, writers, and artists—by maintaining original elements and reusing stones found onsite.



Preserving its local heritage, the home also shares the same quarry stone as the nearby 1956-built Buddhist complex designed by famed Santa Barbara architect **Lutah Maria Riggs**. The retreat-like dwelling features expertly detailed, well-appointed interiors, including bright rooms with birch-veneered ceilings, custom cabinetry and woodwork, and hand-selected furniture. Large segmented windows offer 360-degree views of the surrounding oak forest. The architects added a stepped pathway and serene garden courtyard to connect the home to a new pool and guesthouse.

Principal: **Josh Blumer**, Aia

Project Manager: **Glen Deisler**, Aia

Design Team: **Clay Aurell**, Aia, **Robert Pester**, **Joel Herrera**, **Amy Tripp**

General Contractor: **J Weir Masterworks**, **Jed Hirsch General Building Contractor**

Interior Designer: **House of Honey**

Landscape Architect: **Progressive Environmental Industries**

Structural Engineer: **Darkmoon Building Design and Engineering**

## **AB design studio**

**AB design studio** is a full-service architecture, interior design and urban planning firm that provides world-class high-quality services. AB design studio manages a collaborative process for ideas and concepts to create valuable products that exceed all expectations.

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