

BROOKE MCGRATH
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Leawood homeowners Cole Martin and Kelli Andresen, both in the medical field, found a creative outlet in remodeling their entire home, starting with the main level.

"They wanted a neutral, modern space with pops of color," says designer Kelly Lankford, president of KHL Design Studio. Opposite of what they have now, the former dining room featured a late '80s-early '90s modern style with cobalt blue faux-painted walls, white chair rail and a red metal wall sculpture. The dining table was the only piece that made the move to the new space.

Their current dining room shines in a sea of gray, topped with Benjamin Moore's Burnt Peanut Red. Light gray-painted molding (as well as trim) separates the Romo wallpaper, with metallic sheen, from the statement red ceiling. The small bump-out in the back was the perfect place for a new buffet table, attractively adorned with a print by local designer Jennifer Bertrand. A bird canvas mirrors the window wall covered in sheer Villa Romo fabric, while the light fixture and wall sconces by Stonegate Designs add to the neutral color palette. A subtle gray rug brings warmth to the repurposed hardwood floors.

Dining, in this newly revised space, will never be the same.

