

Sadie-what a lovely dog!

precious pets

Meet Sadie - A beautiful and lovely dog!

By Linda Burdine, resident

Family Member Names: Linda & Scott

Burdine, Brian, Laura & Katie

Pet's Name: Sadie, aka HRH Princess Sadie

Type of Animal/Breed: Labradoodle



Male or Female:

Female

Pet's Age: 4 years

**Where/why did you get
your pet?**

Our previous dog had recently passed, and we realized a house is too lonely and quiet without a puppy dog.

**Is there a story behind its
name?**

We chose the name without thinking about the fact that Sadie rhymes with Katie. It's funny to count how many times mom and dad say "Sadie" when they mean Katie and vice versa!

Anything special or unusual about them (talents/quirks)?

She loves carrying dirty socks around the house, chasing and retrieving soccer balls, and playing hide & go seek.

What do you like best about your pet?

Everything – she's perfect!

Any funny stories?

She'll hop in the car with just about anyone, as many of our Southside neighbors have learned.

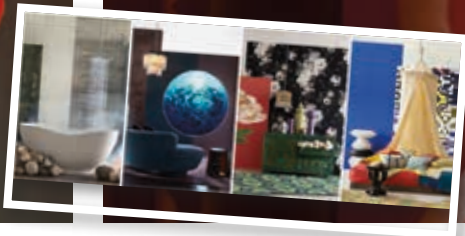
How spoiled is your pet?

She has her own pillow on our bed ...

**What else should we know about your pet and/or how your
pet has enriched your home/family?**

We are empty nesters and love it when our young adult children visit, but we've accepted the fact that it's Sadie they are happiest to see.

Do you have a pet and would like to share his/her story? Then email Fabiana.cuggionni@n2pub.com to have them featured in the next available issue! Dogs, cats, horses, fish, and any other type of animals are welcome!



Design. *Decor.* Details

By Ariana Smetea-ArtVIA

Bright Prospects – 2015 COLORS tell the story of the future

Let's talk about COLOR, and what colors can do for us. Color is energy. Color can affect our mood; appetites, our esteem, how we buy and what we buy, and can also tell the future. The 2015 Color forecasts & predictions are telling us a story of a Bright Future!

As a designer, I follow closely what future color trends are going to be impacting our lives. Every year from fashion, interiors, to food industries, we're all rushing to find the next trends in COLORS since colors have a major impact on how we live and buy.

The next year's predictions are from my trusted paint vendor Sherwin-Williams, and they tell the story of stretching our vistas from the thrilling reaches of sea to the bright flora of exotic islands and rainforests, which showcases ultimately our global inter-connectedness.

Here are 4 major color themes from the 2015 Color-mix by Sherwin-Williams:

CHRYSLIS - Like a butterfly emerging from its cocoon, we're poised for change. As modern life and technology rush at us, we seek an oasis where we can find balance, mindful living.

BUOYANT - The sci-fi dreams of the past have become everyday reality — from space tourism to undersea resorts. We look to the beyond and find colors that are supernatural and magical.

VOYAGE - Happy days are here again! Our revived good spirits echo the optimism that follows all big crises of the past.

UNRESTRAINED - Life is a Carnival, and we're eager to celebrate: from bold, ethnic-inspired colors, designs and crafts to the Bohemian lifestyle.

Are you eager to see which colors are in the mix for our Bright Future 2015? Check the colors forecast at:

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RECOGNITION

By: Ariana Smetea

Where did you grow up? How long have you lived in the area? Tell us about your family.

I've been part of the WU/Rice Village community for 14 years through living on Southgate Blvd, and enjoying the neighborhood parks, local businesses, schools, and sports activities. Originally, being raised and schooled in Zagreb, Croatia, and after completing my BA degree in Economics, I was offered a job in Finance with PWC in London, UK. Though, fashion, design and beautiful interiors along with grand history of European art & architecture always were part of my interests. It was just a matter of time before I was ready to revive my dreams of being immersed into the design passion of mine.

Tell us about the events that led up to where you are now (i.e. education, career path).

My eye for beauty and design along with great appreciation for art & architecture was honed through living in Europe, being passionate about traveling around the globe, ultimately those experiences have shaped my design sensibilities. I can recall that from a young age, I was collecting vintage home décor items from markets and odd places, and bringing them home to my mom's dismay. My key influences were also coming from my parents, graphic designers, who specialized in color management in print, which shaped my vision and impact of color in design.



Ariana and her beautiful family

What is your business and how/why did you start your business?

My journey into the Interior Design field started after I took a leap of faith to follow my long standing passion for design, which was never fully realized until 2008 when I left my corporate career of over 15 years that stretched from Europe to the USA, from PWC to Shell Oil.

To realize my design dreams and fully understand the construction aspects of custom design, I ventured firsthand, to design and build my own custom home. Concurrently, I returned to the Design school classroom, and continued polishing my design skills at an established design firm. As I grew in my design expertise, I established my own design brand in 2010: artVIA - lifestyle design crossroads - where we transform your life by transforming your spaces.

What is unique about your business (what sets you apart from the rest)?

artVIA, is an interior design boutique firm that offers an innovative perspective for your style by making your life the center of our design vision. My team and I have a unique ability to understand your design vision and translate it into tailored spaces designed to your taste, style and objectives. **We aim to create a design even more extraordinary than your original vision, and our mission is centered around "the Art of Things chosen well, rather than often" as we know that quality and craftsmanship creates lasting value.** Spaces we create skillfully fuse modern and contemporary elements into classically inspired styles to create a timeless design.

Given your business expertise and the nature of what you do, what advice (whether general or specific) can you offer to the residents?

Whether at home or in office, our environments have impact on our well-being, productivity and mood. All of us spend the majority of our time in 2 key spaces, our home and our office (corporate or private). If those environments are not set, designed and functioning well for our optimum performance, life enjoyment and productivity will not be at its peak. Though, making change and venturing into redesign and remodeling of spaces may be an overwhelming task to undertake on top of your busy lifestyle, having a Design professional to consult with becomes a key element in your successful lifestyle design transformation.

What else we should know about you, your family, or your business?

After living in Houston for 17 years with my husband, Steve, and a daughter, Isabella (10), and dog Rex (1), I truly have embraced and enjoyed being a part of the fiber of this country

and the city. This city is special in many ways, from the wealth of international influences and diverse cultures, arts, culinary scene, robust economy to the vibrant philanthropic efforts that support many amazing causes. ArtVIA is a proud supporter of the Children Assessment Center of Houston, Recipe for Success, St Jude's Research Hospital, Lemonade Day, an active member of ASID (American Society of Interior Designers), and a Board member of GH WCC (Greater Houston Women's Chamber of Commerce). My family and I enjoy local and international travel, arts, music and reading a good book whenever possible.

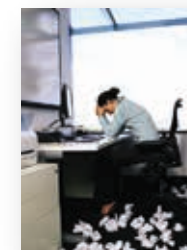
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