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# ❄️ DESIGNER DECORATIONS



Opposite: Candy Edwards' holiday home includes natural garland around the entry doors, poinsettias and bows in classic red velvet.

Top: The Edwards' living room Christmas trees is decorated with a red, white and gold color scheme.

Right: On the back veranda, natural wreaths hang from gold brocade ribbons while the accent tree is decorated with beaded fruit garlands, beaded and gold gilt strawberries and a trio of ribbons - all from Kentwood Garden.



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The keeping room tree is flocked, and peacock feathers and small display birds add unique decorative touches. One large peacock sits at the top of the tree as a crowning glory. The mantle is decorated with frosted accents from Red Door Interiors, and natural fresh garlands add touches of green.




In the home's entry way, Edwards decorated a console table with an arrangement featuring a porcelain Holy Family ensemble, evergreen branches, gold ribbon and clear lights.

Opposite top: In the living room, the tree is decorated each year by Edwards and her son. The room is finished with a fresh arrangement in the epergne on the coffee table and ribbons on the fireplace urns. A series of fresh wreaths in the windows offers a festive touch to be appreciated indoors and out.



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When William Evans, design consultant with Roy Phelps Designs, Inc. in Saint Gabriel paired with Baton Rouge decorator Patricia Travis, an ASID industry partner who owns Louisiana Faux, to decorate Candy Edwards' home for the holidays, the two decided upon a scheme that would enhance rather than compete with the existing décor. The aesthetically pleasing results bring twinkle and cheer to every room while leaving plenty of space for entertaining and merry making.

"The Christmas tree in the keeping room was a joint effort by me and Candy to bring in the colors of the room," says Travis. "We used miniature peacocks on top and throughout the limbs of the tree. In addition, we used an abundance of peacock feathers in the branches.

"The peacocks are from St. Helena Parish where we 'grow' them on our property in Kentwood," says Travis. "To bring in the rust color, we used copper-beaded artichokes, softened by green silk organza scarves, both from Kentwood Garden." Kentwood Garden is a company Travis owns. Additional

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ornaments were purchased at Red Door Interiors, Inc. in Baton Rouge.

Also in the keeping room, "I found these wonderful clear glass pots at Red Door Interiors and placed some interesting poinsettias in them, as they had just the right amount of orange in them to play off the orange running through the brown rug," says Evans. Travis finished the room by arranging the decorations on the mantle.

In the living room, Edwards and her son Harrison decorated the Christmas tree. Evans placed fresh wreaths on the home's exterior windows, each finished with a stylish bow tied by Travis.

With poinsettias, wreaths and garlands flanking the outdoor windows and doors, the home is picture perfect for celebrating the holidays. 



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