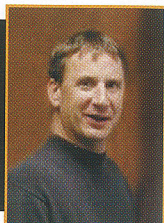


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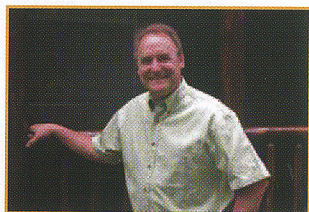
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TileLetter is pleased to showcase our two Honorable Mention Award winners recognized at COVERINGS 2004. Over the next several months we will feature several more of our quality submissions to our inaugural contest. Look for details this fall on how to enter your installation into our COVERINGS 2005 program. We love to see the creativity and quality of your installations throughout the country. I encourage you to enter projects you are proud of at any time throughout the year. TileLetter is always looking for features to share with our readers. This is a great way for your company to be featured in a national publication.

RESIDENTIAL WINNER

*Jackson Tile
Gorham, New Hampshire*

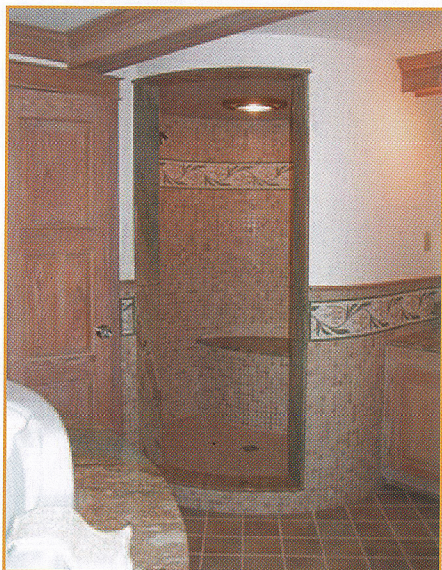


*Jeff Cutts
of Jackson Tile*

LABOR OF LOVE

This project has been ongoing for the past twenty years, and is still not completely finished! Jeff Cutts, owner of Jackson Tile in Gorham, New Hampshire, was brought on the scene three years ago to do the tile work. He has tiled the master bedroom, master bathroom and second floor bathroom. As of this summer, he still had about 1,000 square feet left to install at a later date. The focus of the award recognition centered on the master bathroom.

The theme labor of love was chosen because of the patience and attention to detail that the home's owner, Dr. Allen Lorenz has demon-



strated on this project. This home, taking over twenty years to complete, is located in the beautiful community of Harts Location, New Hampshire. The master bathroom was completed in the fall of 2003. General Contractor Doug Garland chose Jackson Tile because of their reputation for quality and service. The *TileLetter* judges chose the project due to its difficulty of installation. Quentin Gilmore, the architect of the project, and Oona Tropeano, the interior designer, worked together to create an eye-popping blend of tumbled marble mosaics and granite. It was up to Jeff Cutts to turn the design into a reality for Dr. Allen Lorenz.

Cutts chose Schluter System's Kerdi Waterproofing Membrane and drain assembly for the difficult shower installation. He also used installation materials provided by MAPEI and US Gypsum. The design and construction of the bathroom includes a large shower unit and circular hot tub, and involves an incredible amount of radius. The challenge to combine granite work with tumbled marble mosaics and an intricate border pattern, was complicating to say the least. Jackson

Tile pulled it off in wonderful fashion.

Materials used included a mosaic border pattern from New Ravenna in Virginia, and SICIS Rosa Pearl Antico tumbled marble, in addition to the granite, used on the shower seat and along the edges of the shower assembly and ledges of the hot tub. Congratulations to Jeff Cutts and his employees at Jackson Tile for an outstanding residential installation.

