

Discover ideas and experts to create your lifestyle.

The Triangle's premier home and garden event — the Southern Ideal Home Show - Raleigh — is back at the North Carolina State Fairgrounds, Friday, September 21 – Sunday, September 23.

There's no other event more convenient for all the home remodeling, landscaping and redecorating experts, products and ideas you need to make over or create any part of *Your home, Your way.*

Backyard Paradise Awaits You In Dorton Arena

You'll be tempted to blink twice as you enter the Dorton Arena Feature Garden and cross into a backyard paradise through beautiful,

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hand-crafted metal peacock arbors created by artist Laird Lanier. The peacock sculptures are mounted on massive 8' stone columns that lead you to an area with lush subtropical accent planting beds surrounded by a custom-built rock pool with an incredible 5' stone waterfall constructed by Paradise Pools.

Since every paradise needs an over-the-top outdoor stone kitchen, show guests will find one of those as well, installed by Fontaine Landscaping, a full-service landscaping company most recently voted as the 2007 Best Landscape company in Western Wake County by readers of Cary Magazine. Fully loaded, the grill features multiple burners, sink and refrigerator. This complemented with a granite countertop. Hand-painted tiles by Raleigh artist Marina Bosetti are installed in the stone work in the backsplash and columns. Large imported glazed pots

draping with flowers and seasonal grasses are strategically placed to accent the expert stone work of Fontaine Landscaping.

The Feature Garden is the creation of Laura Kiper of Kiper Landscaping Designs. She has put together a team of talented companies to create a unique art-filled garden that will have visitors dreaming of kicking off their shoes and relaxing in this



backyard paradise and perhaps creating one of their own.

Art in the Garden



Want to entertain your guests with style? The moment you enter the Jim Graham Building, you will be greeted by a feature garden that starts with a breathtakingly beautiful six-sided arbor installed over a paver patio. You can just picture finishing a wonderful dinner on the patio and inviting your guest to relax in a hot tub that is recessed in a gorgeous raised deck with privacy screens, all built by Peter Uhlík of Standard

Construction. With a traditional style garden surrounding the hardscapes, a lovely fountain creates a quiet spot to unwind. Interesting garden art from Market Imports draws the eye through the garden inviting each visitor to explore and enjoy. Laura Kiper of Kiper Landscaping Designs pulls off the perfect plan for any backyard, again focusing on the use of art in the garden.



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