


# INTERIOR DESIGN®

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making a splash

A woman in a red swimsuit stands in a modern swimming pool. The pool is surrounded by a white wall and a curved red wall. The ceiling is white with a large, curved white shape. The pool has blue lane lines and a woman in a red swimsuit is standing in the water with her arms raised. The text "making a splash" is written in red on the wall.

"It celebrates the fusion of art and science"

**There's a growing consumer demand** for more ethically and sustainably sourced products. That includes gemstones. It's one reason U.K.-based international mining giant DeBeers has invested nearly \$100 million in a facility for manufacturing laboratory-grown diamonds under its Lightbox Jewelry brand. Located in Gresham, Oregon, the two-story, 60,000-square-foot site is by **Sheehan Nagle Hartray Architects**, under principal Neil Sheehan and interiors lead Caterina Hutchinson. The state-of-the-art lab will produce about 200,000 carats of "Grown in the USA" diamonds annually using vacuum chambers that replicate how the gems form in interstellar gas clouds. SNHA's design balances the requirements of advanced production technology with details that make for an inviting workplace. In reception, a solid-surfacing desk and polished concrete flooring project an uncluttered, seamless look, while brand identity is expressed in a custom wall covering, digitally printed with the Lightbox logo, that wraps a drywall partition. Throughout, clean, smooth surfaces are infused with subtle inner warmth—just like a diamond. —Wilson Barlow

## star chamber



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