

area residents spot light

## Meet EDGAR & RITA

### OWNERS OF NOUVEAU INTERNATIONAL DESIGN

#### Family members:

Edgar Taylor  
Rita Narcisse-Taylor  
Julia and Gia

Edgar and Rita have been married for five years and had been friends prior to that for nine years. Daughter Julia is a graduate of the University of Alabama. And has a Major in Political Science and a Minor in Public Relations. Julia, a yoga instructor, does not currently teach, loves tennis, her dog Bentley, and works for Frankle Law Firm in Ormond Beach. Daughter Gia, attending the University of Florida, is studying International Business. Gia loves the beach and anything water-related; soccer player since she was 3 years old — left kicker — and adores her dog, Frankie.

As a family, they enjoy cooking, traveling or watching movies at home.

Their family is blended, but they do not act like it at all — it's as if it always was; they love to laugh, everyone is into fitness, and they are all foodies. We are the most connected at the end of the day, everyone discusses how their day was, any challenges and how they worked through them.

#### Profession

Interior Designer/General Contractor

I have loved designing since I was 5 years old; it's always something new and different, and no two jobs are the same. Edgar has always been intrigued with building and creating things since he was 15 years old; that is when he

started in the construction industry. Every client has a story, and it is up to us to figure it out; our job consists of a lot of problem-solving, and we are up for the challenge. At the end of the project, we are happy when our client is thrilled; then, we know we have done our job. Clients become friends, and some even become family.

#### Passions

Being an Interior Designer/General Contractor, they like to draw, paint and build things. Edgar works out daily, and it is his release. As for a hobby, they enjoy the beach, the sounds of the waves crashing, gulls above and the breeze through Rita's hair and powering down their phones to truly relax.



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Nouveau design team



Rita and Edgar, Owners of Nouveau, team members Sally Ann Sancto and Erica René Potash



Rita is part of Women United Volusia County and really enjoys all that Women United stands for. Rita and Edgar also love to give back to PACE and the Humane Society.

Their perfect day is "being with our favorite people enjoying great food at a beach setting." Favorite things to do around town would have to be stopping into unique shops or restaurants; you never know what you may find. Edgar is a huge Buccaneers fan, and I am an Alabama fan, our go-to restaurants are Billy's tap room, Tiano's Daytona One, and Fresh

Guacamole YUMMMM! We are most grateful for our family and friends. Without them, life would be dull; they keep us laughing and full of life.

#### Chihuly inspired Light

The light is located at Avenu in New Smyrna Beach; it is over 8' in height and illuminates from the top to the bottom as it changes from yellow into a fiery red. The light installation requires a zone where each little squiggle is a piece of hand-blown glass, and it is applied one at a time to create this beautiful light sculpture. This is

Chihuly-inspired, and you can see the entire collection in downtown St. Pete/Clearwater Morean Arts Center. When we showed our client this light, he was instantly taken aback by the look of it and all of its beauty, with the restaurant being Polynesian-inspired. This light was everything for the entryway. If you are ever in New Smyrna Beach, stop into Avenu on Flager, and you can see all of the other great design aesthetics we did there, from the live wall, the woven ceiling, and even the bathrooms are loaded with a fun large Palm print. You will not be disappointed at all.