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These clients needed more working space — more counter space, storage, and a second range in the kitchen — and they did not want to disturb the functions of the adjacent rooms.

One of the designer's solutions was to remove the wall separating the eating from the working space. Incorporating the two areas enhances space,

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efficiency and function.

The design incorporates horizontal lines in the contrasting soffit and finger channels above the base cabinets

and balances these with two vertical points of interest. The first focal point is the black refrigerator, the second is the stainless steel shelves.

Both are set amidst white cabinets. The rich mix of white, black, chrome and teal colors, coupled with the mix of laminate, granite and stainless steel materials, combine to make a Metropolitan statement.

◆ **Special note:** This kitchen was awarded a second place in this year's NKBA National Design Contest.

◆ **Special design features:** The unusual shape of the island and the connected drop-down counter as an informal dining area; high-granite backsplash adds a dramatic touch; the mixing of different materials (laminate, stainless steel and granite)

◆ **Products used:** Siematic cabinets; Sub-Zero refrigerator; Jenn-Air cooktop and oven; Franke sink and faucet; KitchenAid dishwasher; Granite countertops; Formica table and backsplash

