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Having first founded an award-winning practice in London, where she was celebrated for her modern interventions of historic buildings, Owens returned to Fort Myers and launched a firm whose award-winning residential designs can be found along the Gulf Coast and beyond. A force on all fronts of the architecture scene, she has served as president of AlA Florida and is currently on the advisory council of the Sarasota Architectural Foundation. Devoted to: What she refers to as "tropical modern." Owens creates striking, energy-efficient homes that capitalize on Florida's lush foliage and climate, such as a recent Fort Myers residence with large glass windows in the entry that allow views of jungle-like vegetation on two sides. On the horizon: A gamechanging, high-end, ultra-modern home on Sanibel Island beach for a pair of art collectors. In her words: "Architecture is about understanding the climate, the client and the site, no matter where you are." architecturejoyceowens.com