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Since I've never before visited New Orleans, I was quite excited when KBIS decided to locate there this year. As a city well-known for the arts, NOLA is a logical place for a trade show that focuses on beautiful design trends in the home. There was a lot to inspire remodelers and kitchen & bath designers at the show. Of course, I spent a lot of time on the exhibit floor and also in seminars. But then I also enjoyed riding the trolleys, visiting two local plantations, and eating my share of gumbo and jambalaya.

KBIS hosted a Design Studio, but it was quite different from the one I experienced at IBS. The KBIS Design Studio was a small presentation area on the exhibit floor that focused entirely on eight design professionals as they demonstrated some new technology. The concept, called the QueX Experiential Showroom, helps designers create an interactive showroom that enhances and personalizes their client's experience. Pictured is Cheryl Kees Clendenon's presentation of a GenX bath.



Here are few of the product trends I discovered: 1. Creative use of metal and glass 2. Large scale wall cladding in textured wood and ceramics 3. Continued evolution of the touch-free faucet.

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Touch free intelligent faucets. Turn on and off, regulate water flow and temperature setting, all without touching the faucet. –by Cinaton

