



PICTURE 1 – EXISTING - FRONT FAÇADE



BEFORE PICTURE 1 – View of existing basement used as a studio, entertainment center and exercise room.

Explanation of Project

The owner of this Foxhall residence approached us after he inherited a chrome and black pool table that he had nowhere to put. He decided to transform his basement into a large and comfortable entertainment/pool room. We also remodeled the adjacent bathroom.

Unusual Constraints/Challenges and Creative Solutions

In addition to being inadequate to house the pool table, the existing basement was dark and cramped. The space had been divided into many small rooms including a bathroom that could only be accessed through a laundry area (*See before pictures – right and next page*).



BEFORE PICTURE 2 – View of storage at the bottom of the stairs near existing entrance to Exercise room.



BEFORE PICTURE 3 – View of existing Chimney and access to the mechanical room in the back.



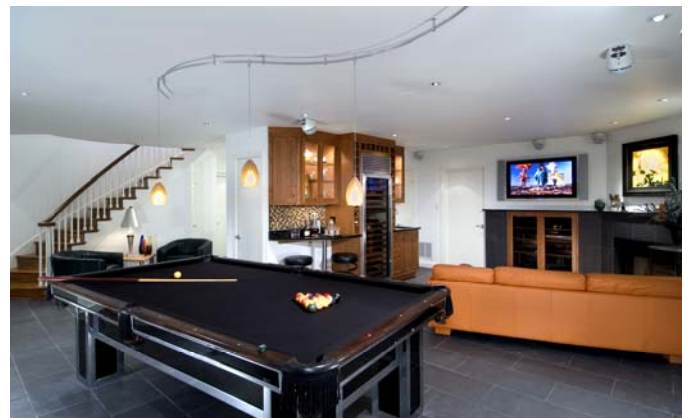
AFTER PICTURE – View of sink & glass mosaic wall tile.

Overall Results

We opened up the space to create a comfortable sized game room large enough to house a pool table (*See after picture – right below*). The door to the basement bath was moved to allow direct access. Granite counters and modern oak cabinets with glass and interior lights were added around an existing wine refrigerator to create a bar area with a sink. On an adjacent wall, the problem of where to place the A/V equipment was addressed with custom built-ins. We also wired the basement for speakers. Due to potential dampness in the future, we installed large Porcelanosa ceramic faux slate tile for the floor and as a fireplace surround.

We gutted the basement bath and remodeled it with nice fixtures, a custom framed shower door and lots of glass mosaic wall tile (*See after picture - right*). The bathroom and the game room are unified by their use of this mosaic tile and with the slate floor tile. Ample low voltage valance, plus pendant lighting allows the area to be illuminated well for every mode or need.

The resulting basement is a great space to entertain and to relax. The pool table has found a great home, as has the homeowner's wine collection. He is very pleased with his basement.



AFTER PICTURE – Full view of basement – pool table, wine cooler and media center.