



Colorful Spring, Subdued Summer

Colorful Spring, Subdued Summer. Garden designer Linda Vater of Oklahoma City is known for dramatic use of color and form. Here, two views capture the look of her front garden in late spring (on the left) and in early summer (on the right). In late spring, tulips are the big excitement. She mixed white tulips with Colorblends French Blend Rose™, a blend of rose, pink and apricot tulips. Deep rose azaleas and bright violet creeping phlox play vital roles in anchoring the curved bed filled with boxwoods, early-emerging perennials, pansies and violas. By early summer, the tulips and cool season annuals are gone. A subdued summer palette of greens, blues, gold and mahogany takes over to cool things down, as the mature trees leaf out to shade the area. For more on combining spring bulbs and perennials, visit BulbDesignNotes.com, a collaborative garden design project sponsored by Colorblends.com.

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