

Concrete CONCEPTS

Building the success of concrete contractors

Adding surface texture

Allowing for a wide range of color and texture possibilities on existing masonry

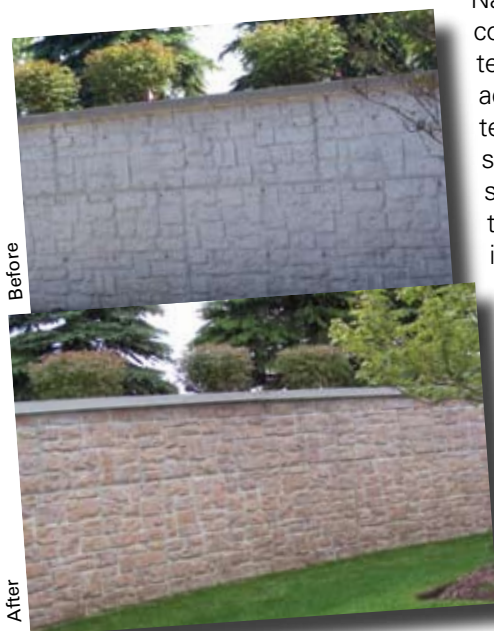
The ability to add colors and textures to existing masonry surfaces, both old and new, has empowered contractors, architects and developers to raise the bar of color control. Adding color to concrete has been developed over the past two decades to include acid stains, water-based stains and admixtures, with water-based being the most manageable and cost-effective. Architects specifying colors of masonry surfaces are often interested in adding colors that are not available or want to match an existing color, while at the same time preserving the natural texture of the material specified on the project.

Nawkaw Corporation has been the leader in staining masonry surfaces since its inception in 1982 in Ontario, Canada. Today there are 20 Nawkaw locations throughout the United States, Canada and Australia. Nawkaw's proprietary water-based stain, originally developed to blend areas of mismatched masonry for manufacturers of brick and block, is now an integral part of the North American renovation and restoration industry. Nawkaw products and services are regularly specified on projects across North America where matching an addition or creating a specific look on old or new buildings is vital to the project.

Nawkaw's new coloring and texturing system adds color and/or textures to smooth surface products, such as precast, tilt up or poured in place concrete. The masonry coloring technology includes surface preparation, stains and sand, creating a natural textured look and feel. For instance, after



Nawkaw's treatments are applied to "brick-molded" concrete panels, the panels look like real brick walls and the possibilities only begin there. Whatever molds are specified, Nawkaw can enhance the final look by adding colors and textures that are individualized to each project. Frequently colors are custom mixed on the job to ensure the best possible results. All applicators are direct employees of, or have been trained and approved by, Nawkaw. Several large projects completed recently in Canada and the United States used this system. See www.nawkaw.com/ precast for actual before and after photos. Nawkaw specializes in custom finishes, colors and textures and in solving color problems with exterior masonry construction products such as precast, brick, block, mortar, EIFS, stucco, and cultured and natural stone. Nawkaw products have been field and laboratory tested and proven to withstand even the most remote temperatures and climates. Their proprietary line of products has been developed specifically to permeate brick, block, mortar, precast, concrete, stucco, EIFS and manufactured stone surfaces. Once applied, the stains take on the characteristics of the concrete and become part of the substrate. All of the products are backed by extensive field and laboratory testing and carry a 25-year guarantee. Please visit www.nawkaw.com or call (800) 905-2692 for more information.



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Concrete Color & Texture with Nawkaw.

Nawkaw Color Treatment is specially formulated to allow for a wide range of color and texture possibilities. These products are U.V. resistant, penetrating, quick drying, weather resistant and mold, fungus and mildew resistant.

With a 25 year product guarantee, you're not only creating the look you're after but saving valuable time and maintenance efforts in the future. The results are as permanent as the concrete itself.

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Changing the color of masonry

