Come see what's beneath the surface.
Living Color Aquariums was born out of a passion for the beauty and mystery of life underwater. Over twenty-five years, we’ve grown from a simple fish tank maintenance company to stars of our own reality TV show, Nat Geo WILD’s Fish Tank Kings. In between, we built the finest custom aquariums in the world — and still do. Early on, we recognized the rising demand for bigger, better, more sensational aquariums. So we hired engineers and artists, and we took on the entire fabrication process, from shaping the acrylic walls and reefs to building steel platforms, elaborate plumbing systems and surrounding fine cabinetry. Every detail came in-house, for greater quality control and no excuses. That commitment to excellence led to a series of breakout projects, for such high-profile clients as Disney and Universal Studios. Soon aquarium aficionados around the world came knocking. Everyone wanted big, bold, awe-inspiring aquariums — and we had brought together the engineering artistry to make it happen.

Our latest chapter began in 2012 with the TV show. Overcoming technical challenges and comic plot twists, each episode ends with what has meant the most to Living Color since the beginning — a love for aquatic environments, and their artistic recreations.
We bring the ocean to living rooms, museums, theme parks, hotels and businesses. We build custom aquariums with a single-minded focus on giving you, or your clients, a true-to-life slice of the ocean. Our aquariums provide distinction and enjoyment in every imaginable setting: private homes, yachts, restaurants, hotels, theme park exhibits, zoos, nature centers, sports facilities, retail stores and public museums, you name it. Whatever the place, theme or environment you can think of, Living Color can turn your aquatic dreams into a reality of timeless beauty and pleasure.

Far-out Aqua Van
The Living Color team transformed a vintage Volkswagen Minibus into a fish tank. This icon of 1960’s beach culture is a fully functioning fish tank that includes over twenty species of fish.
Living Color Aquariums is where engineering meets art.

Recreating ocean vignettes as pieces of art is one thing. Making the multiple functions of a complex aquarium work together, as a live habitat, is quite another. This is where engineering meets art, where lofty visions fuse with science. Here, elegantly sculptured artificial reefs hide massive plumbing jets so they never distract. Life support systems work quietly day in and day out, circulating hundreds or thousands of gallons of water to polish away bacteria, leaving the water crystal clear and the fish happy. Through engineering artistry, our aquariums achieve the same sense of awe and wonder you find in Nature itself. Which is a thing of beauty.

Gansevoort South Hotel

At 17,000 gallons and 53’ long, this is one of the longest seamless acrylic aquariums on the East Coast of the United States.
From concept and design to fabrication and ongoing maintenance support, Living Color can handle every facet of your aquarium. We've built our operation on 100% in-house capabilities, operating from 43,000-square-foot manufacturing plant, where we design and build our unique aquariums in, yes, living color. No job is too big or small. We can create small tanks with plug and play reef kits, or fabricate huge aquariums for the public to enjoy. Our signature turnkey process allows us to execute the most complex, elaborate, custom aquariums, from start to finish.

We don't build cookie-cutter aquariums either. We begin each project with a conversation. We sit down and discuss where you want the aquarium, its shape and size and structure, what fish you like, the type of environment you want built. Freshwater? Saltwater? Marsh?

Whatever you can imagine, we can build.

“IT’S OUTTA HERE”
An aquarium in a Major league Baseball Park? How about two, 500 gallon, 21’ long masterpieces that flank home plate? Now that’s ‘outta the ordinary’.
We bring underwater visions to life. And to television too.

On our way to perfecting underwater spectacles above the surface, something unexpected happened: We became the Fish Tank Kings, on Nat Geo WILD. This reality TV show documents the trials and tribulations of how we pull off the impossible for our clients. Like creating two 500-gallon aquariums behind home plate of a Major League Baseball field. Or saving the life of a sick giant octopus, poisoned by harmful chemicals leeching from a rock feature, with a new rock structure. Or building a terrarium for the rare Panamanian Golden Frog on the brink of extinction, knowing if the tank isn’t perfect, the survival of the species is a risk.

Every episode is like the aquariums we create: Unique. We continue to push the envelope with more extreme builds and elaborate designs that beautifully capture the mystery and grace of aquatic life.

The company we keep. Some clients we’ve had the privilege of working with.