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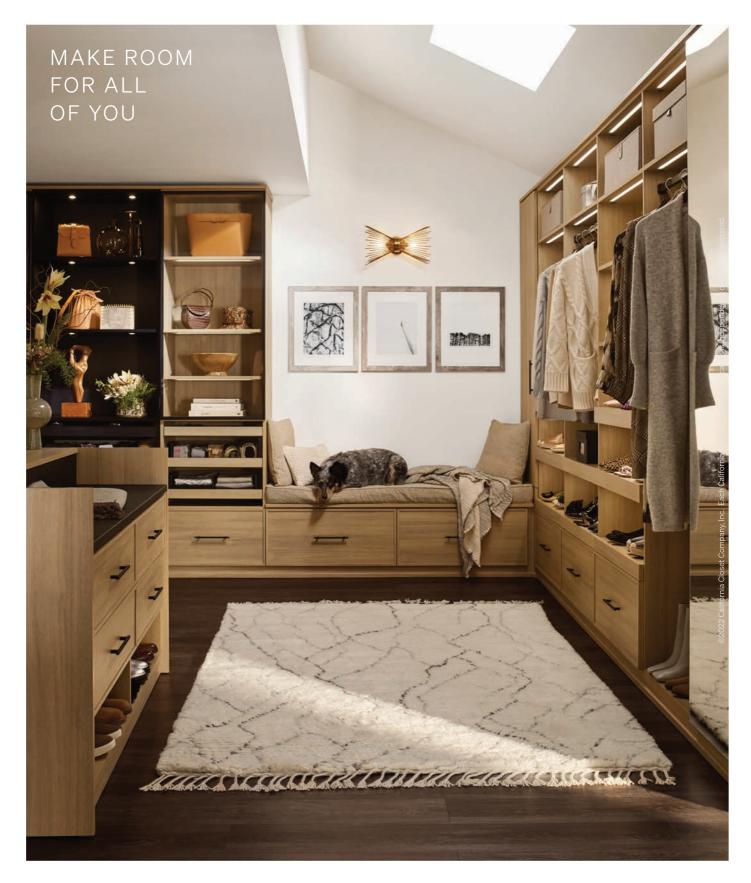
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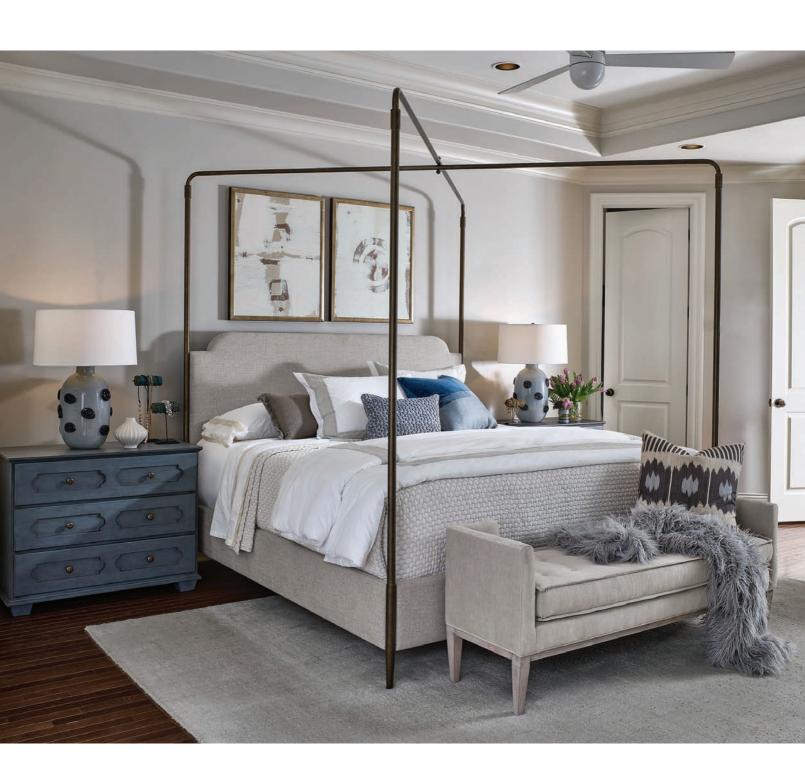
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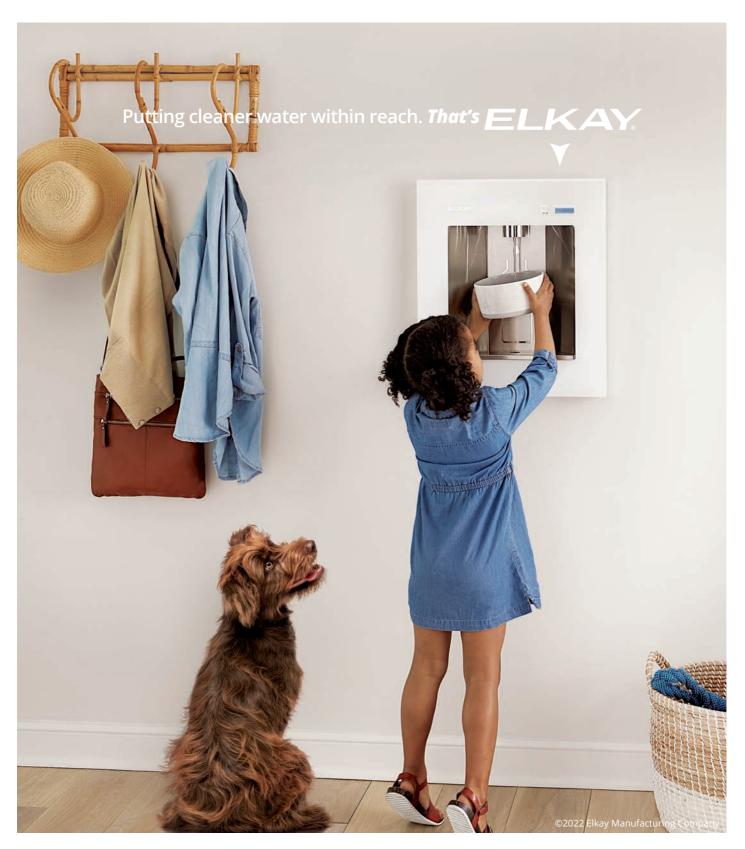
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There's something so intriguing about interior design. So often, we drive around looking at the facades of homes and wonder what the interiors are like. What colors are on the walls, how did they design their kitchen, what wallpaper hangs in their powder room? With each edition of HDD, we open the front doors of homes in our city and offer an exclusive peek inside some of Charlotte's most beautifully designed residences.

The Designers at Home issue is a little different, however. Admired designers invite us into their own homes, giving readers a glimpse of the choices they've made for their families and lifestyles. Easily one of our favorite issues of the year, it's an intimate look at how painstaking—and rewarding—the design process can be for each designer.

All three styles in this issue are wholly different, showcasing each designer's unique approach to her personal home. From Hannah Ozburn's fun, modern, family-friendly design to Cathy Austin's sophisticated art-driven interiors to our cover story on Teri Thomas's elegantly curated private residence, this issue is overflowing with glowing examples of how impressive and varied—Charlotte's interior design scene is.

Elsewhere in this issue, find our exclusive look at designer Charlotte Lucas's new hardware line for Modern Matter, and check out Atlanta's newest and hottest hotel.

We hope you enjoy reading this issue as much as we loved producing it.

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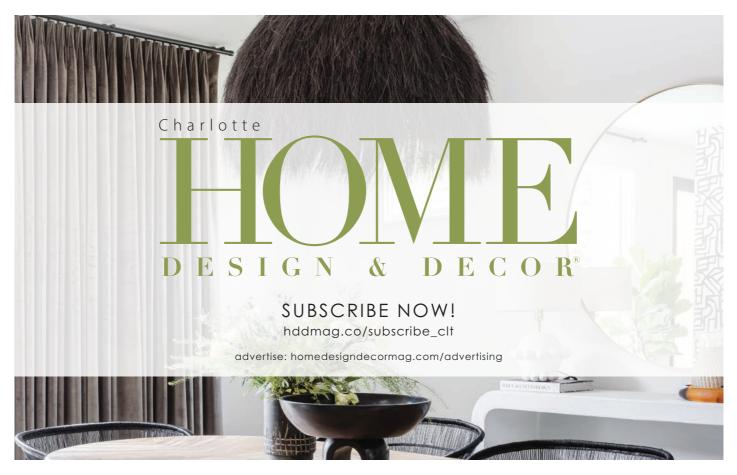
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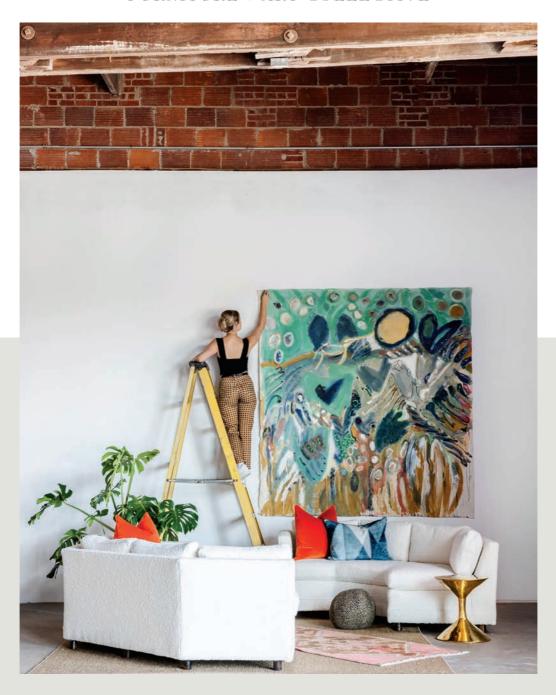
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PRODUCED BY ANNE MARIE ASHLEY
WRITTEN BY CHRISTINA SPRATT SPENCER



A collaboration between designer Cheryl Luckett and Wildwood, Rocky Mount's legacy interior design brand, this debut collection of furniture, lighting, and accessories reflects their shared commitment to heritage, artistry, and craft. Classic and informed silhouettes rooted in tradition are infused with global influences, textile inspirations, and a charming approachability to create a line synonymous with Luckett's signature aesthetic—impressionably fresh with a time-honored whimsy. wildwoodhome.com



Functionality meets fine art, sculptural formality meets organic form, and Tel Aviv meets Los Angeles with this exclusive partnership of acclaimed interior designer Kelly Wearstler and Hagit Pincovici, a third-generation Israeli artisan. The five-piece collection, Third Nature, reincarnates the artisanship of traditional bronze casting techniques and marries it with a hand-brushed solid-oak finish to emphasize the form and texture of the date palm tree, a commonality to both locales, in an inventive display of modernity. kellywearstler.com



LUXE LAYERS

Award-winning interior designer and architect Marie Flanigan brings her trademark blend of

everyday sophistication and innovative simplicity to form in her collaboration with the classically modern design house Annie Selke. This distinguished collection of handcrafted rugs, elevated bedding, and luxurious pillows and accessories is created with serenely neutral and soft-toned palettes and a timeless consideration for structure and form. The result is an approachably refined and inviting lineup intended for layering, annieselke.com





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GEO TRAPPINGS

A classically contemporary partnership between leading Italian architect and designer Cristina Celestino and third-generation tile makers Fornace Brioni produced this handmade natural terra-cotta tile collection for Clé Tile, bringing new possibilities to the traditional craftsmanship of centuries-old traditions. Using clay from the Brioni family-owned land in northern Italy, the collection is heavily inspired by the formal gardens and geometric forms of topiaries and sculpted hedgerow from the land where it is unearthed. cletile.com



DOMESTIC *NIRVANA*

Inspiring a nurturing sanctuary of urbane sophistication, this second collaboration between Universal and Miranda Kerr, Tranquility, offers a nearly fortypiece collection of minimal and modern Parisian-inspired furnishings. With an emphasis on elevated simplicity, white lacquer, waterfall edges, and streamlined silhouettes meet burlwood, bouclé, and organic curves; and all are accented by soft gold hardware in a hushed neutral palette. universalfurniture.com



TRACE THE *LINE*

In this distinctive collaboration with Schumacher, Washington, DC, artist and designer Hadiya Williams has harnessed the relationship between Black people and their ancestral lineage, history, and rituals as it moved across the diaspora. The translated pieces result in an artfully graphic rendition of lineal-based designs, full of movement and centered on the interpretation of art and culture colliding. fschumacher.com



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APHROCHIC: CELEBRATING THE LEGACY OF THE BLACK FAMILY HOME By Bryan Mason and Jeanine Hays

In their iovous, celebratory, and aroundbreaking new book, Jeanine Hays and Bryan Mason invite you into the intimate spaces of sixteen beautiful and diverse home tours of creatives, artists, curators, actors, and musicians as they celebrate Black homeownership and the haven and cornerstone it is to Black culture and life. Through art-filled and generationally storied decor, the book sheds light on the obstacles many Black Americans still face today. penguinrandomhouse.com



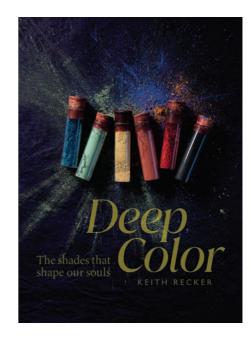
HOW TO LIVE WITH OBJECTS: A GUIDE TO MORE MEANINGFUL INTERIORS

By Monica Khemsurov and Jill Singer

An indispensable tool for the modern home, this visual and emotional iourney focuses on championing personal authenticity in design through the lens of intentional acquisition. Cofounders of the online magazine Sight Unseen, Monica

Khemsurov and Jill Singer address individual connection to design and to the objects we surround ourselves with through tips, home tours, and practical advice on what to collect to foster unique and meaningful connections. penguinrandomhouse.com





DEEP COLOR: THE SHADES THAT SHAPE OUR SOULS By Keith Recker

A tool for artists, the culturally curious, and designers alike, Keith Recker's third book is a profoundly deep dive into how color communicates. By closely examining an insightful, multicultural experience with forays into both ancient meanings and historical context as well as modern stories, this book unpacks the oftentimes unconscious messages carried by different colors and how it empowers, inspires, and influences

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SAVAGE NATURE

THE OWNERS OF THE SAVAGE WAY ARE FUSING ART, INTERIOR DESIGN, AND NATURE TO CREATE ONE-OF-A-KIND INSTALLATIONS FOR THEIR CLIENTS.

PRODUCED BY ANNE MARIE ASHLEY

Among the many lessons society has gained from the past few years, one has been discovering our homes as our sanctuaries. And for many people, learning to care for, arrange, and incorporate plants inside the home has proven to be both a challenging and rewarding part of that process. The peace and calm that nature brings to humans is scientifically proven, yet the realization that plants and flowers not only color our surroundings but also enhance our existence by creating clean air, oxygen, companionship, and sheer joy has only just come into vogue.

Torrie Savage and Paula Bartlett, owners of The Savage Way, have always known that nature and art are powerful tools that humans have at their disposal to express, evoke, and heal, which is what propelled them into the thriving business they created a decade

ago. As a marketing and branding consultancy, the pair were already turning heads with their Clean Graffiti campaigns—an innovative approach to marketing that uses custom-designed stencils and a power washer to brand dirty sidewalks with bright, clean client logos and slogans. With clients like Coca-Cola, The Rolling Stones, and the Carolina Hurricanes, The Savage Way has put its stamp on cities across America, from Austin to the Big Apple.

When a local client asked them to innovate yet again using natural materials, the team jumped at the chance, and their second passion was born: moss art. "A client came to us looking for a logo that incorporated plants and moss into the design," explains Savage. "Even though we hadn't done anything like it before, we were confident we could create something exciting



This Pop Art piece of rapper Biggie Smalls is a collaboration between The Savage Way and artist Jen Hill. Commissioned by NFL Probowler Jonathan Stewart and his wife, Hill painted the portrait and Savage's moss artists filled in the pop icon's textural sweater with dyed moss. Over fifteen shades of reindeer moss were used to create the Coogi sweater.

and completely unique. We discovered something we really wanted to pour love and energy into."

Each piece commissioned is tailored to the client and their interior space, integrated into the design plan from inception. From Pop Art pieces like Biggie Smalls and Jimmy Hendrix to intricate pieces that include neon lights, or oversized panels pieced together to custom words and letters, the variations are endless.

The artists at The Savage Way work with over forty different colors of reindeer moss, as well as mood, sheet, and pole moss; forty-three types of foliage; and twenty-three types of preserved flowers, mushrooms, sticks, and leaves in their creations. Plus, by partnering with other local artists, projects can shift into mixed media pieces that combine colorful moss with custom artwork, giving a whole new dimension to customizability. "No two pieces are ever alike, which is one of the reasons our clients love this medium. It's unlike anything in anyone else's home," Savage explains. "The range of colors and topography that moss art provides really takes these installations to the next level." Bartlett adds that the styles can range from funky and colorful to neutral and calming, and anything in between. "We really work closely with clients and interior designers to explore what will work best with the aesthetic they're creating, and it's important to let it be a fluid process," she says. And while the maintenance-free nature of preserved moss is a primary selling point, it's the artistry that really speaks when you see a completed piece.

Most custom projects can be completed in about eight weeks, but some of their most popular and smaller designs are ready to ship from their online shop at thesavageway.com. "We really wanted to create natural, eco-friendly pieces that were low maintenance but high design," says Savage. "I love that we have made these pieces accessible to everyone." ◆





This inset moss art installation created by The Savage Way artists features color-changing LED lighting and was installed in partnership with Freespace Design and Custom Cabinet Studio in a residence in the Trust Building.



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DESIGNER CHARLOTTE LUCAS TEAMED UP WITH MODERN MATTER TO CREATE A PRETTY COLLECTION OF COASTAL-INSPIRED HARDWARE CERTAIN TO DRESS UP ANY HOME.

WRITTEN BY BLAKE MILLER

Charlotte Lucas has never been one to shy away from a design collaboration that feels right. After all, the North Carolina-based designer has worked on several idea show homes and even has a luxury line of finished goods with House of Harris, created with her sister, designer Liz Carroll.

So when she and Katherine Mulford, longtime friend and founder of Modern Matter, began talking about their latest projects, they soon realized it was the perfect time for them to collaborate. "Kat and I have been friends for a long time and we're always chatting about our design work," says Lucas. "When I told her I was selected to design this year's Southern Living idea show house, she suggested we design a coastal-inspired collection that can be used in the home. And so we did."

The seaside-inspired Charlotte Lucas for Modern Matter collection of hardware is not coastally overdone. In fact, much of the line was inspired by the duo's visits to New York City, where brownstones adorned with antique door knockers or jewelry pop-ups chock-full of vintage pieces informed the collection's design. "I wanted the line to have enough bandwidth of general style to work in any setting," says Lucas, regarding coupling the aesthetics.

The eight-piece collection features door knobs and knockers, drawer and appliance pulls, and, as Lucas hoped, complements just about any interior design style.



LUCAS PROVIDES INSIGHT ON SOME OF HER FAVORITE PIECES FROM HER MODERN MATTER COLLECTION.



"I love this little flower with a ring pull at the bottom. It feels like a piece of jewelry and dresses up any kitchen cabinet or bath vanity."



"In this collection we used some really interesting colors, such as a turquoise pating in some of the crevices of the hardware. It was an extra added layer of detail and interest that I love."



"This is a really beautiful edge pull with scallops. It was a mix of some coastal nods with some vintage and antique pieces, which is how my work usually evolves."



"This line is very versatile. The little knob has a white stone, but it can be swapped out to a turquoise stone or a coral stone if you need a pop of color."





CHIC Retreat

ATLANTA'S NEWEST BOUTIQUE HOTEL FEATURES A FRESH, MODERN VIBE AND EASY ACCESS TO THE REGION'S TOP SPOTS TO SHOP AND DINE.

WRITTEN BY SARAH CROSLAND

The swanky Buckhead district of Atlanta has been a destination for fashion and design for decades. And while there's no shortage of luxe hotels in the area, the new Kimpton Sylvan is undeniably the most stylish of the moment.

Originally a 1950s midcentury-modern residential building, it recently underwent extensive renovations, reopening in 2021 as a 217-room boutique hotel. It's just steps from Buckhead Village District, home to designer brands, art galleries, and shops like Ferguson, Ligne Roset, and Interior Define.

The name Sylvan is derived from the Latin word for "forest," which feels especially appropriate as you enter beneath towering old oaks and magno-

> lias. Subtle wood finishes in the living room-style lobby and hues of sage and forest green in the guest rooms weave this verdant theme throughout.

> Make reservations for at least one dinner at The Betty, Kimpton's onsite restaurant and self-proclaimed New American Supper Club, which has already received accolades for both its Old Hollywood ambiance and its fresh take on classic fare. Blue velvet banquettes, penny-tiled floors, and dramatic art set the midcentury glam scene. The menu is seasonally driven and features elegant dishes like whole salt-crusted fish seasoned with leeks and turnips and pillowy ricotta gnocchi topped with fragrant lamb ragu.

After dinner, catch the elevator up to the ninth-floor colorful rooftop lounge, St. Julep. It's as playful as The Betty is moody, with an Instagram-worthy terrace that features a hand-painted mural on one side and sweeping Buckhead skyline views on the other.



NEW & NOW

The famed Atlanta Decorative Arts Center (ADAC) is less than three miles from the Kimpton Sylvan and is a must-see while in town. ADAC is open to the public on weekdays and filled with designer showrooms such as Kravet, Schumacher, Pindler, Tritter Feefer, and more, which are always worth a visit to get the creative juices flowing.



A Splash of CREAM

CRISP, CLEAN, AND CLASSICALLY COUPLED **NEUTRALS THAT ARE** ANYTHING BUT VANILLA.

PRODUCED BY ANNE MARIE ASHLEY WRITTEN BY CHRISTINA SPRATT SPENCER

A soft and soothing milky swirl of ivory and cotton tones makes for an effortlessly light-filled visual refuge. A bright and blank canvas of spatial reprieve and sanctuary of refinement where discretion and restraint both embodies and emboldens. Nuanced notes and undertones from dove to fawn add a kiss of depth to the fresh layers of bone, alabaster, ecru, paperwhite, linen, and parchment while breathing fresh, deep, and uncluttered air into this timelessly transcendent aesthetic. Natural weaves and wood tones awaken with texture and contrast created by cacao, sable, and saddle, and receive a warm welcome.

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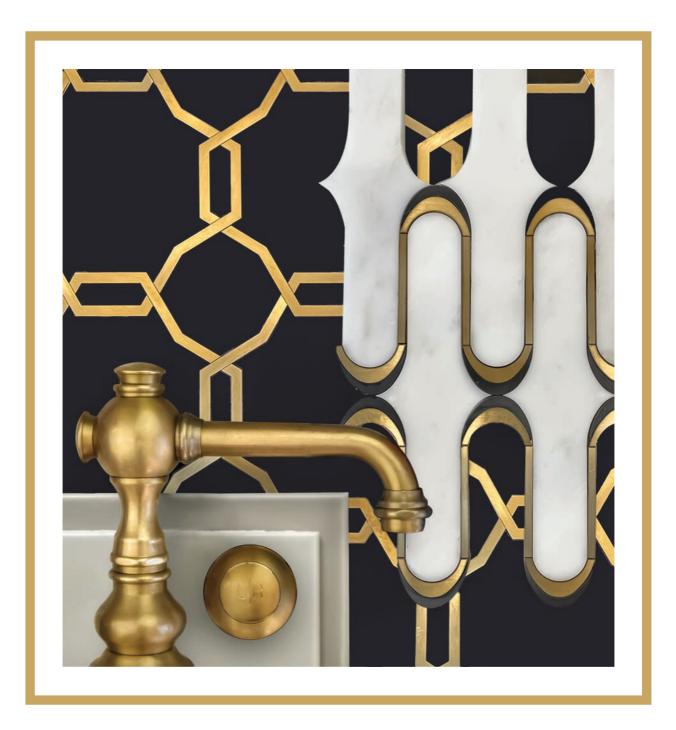
JOLEE Fennebresque

"Timeless interiors do not have to be boring!" designer Jolee Fennebresque emphatically exclaims. She loves making old spaces feel fresh and new spaces feel timeless. Having worked in many understated, classically designed spaces in New York and Washington, DC, it is no surprise that Fennebresque has an innate sense of proportion and scale. She loves to find one-of-a-kind pieces of furniture—especially antiques—suggesting, "The perfect antique chest can be a grounding base for the layers to come."

After a strong furniture plan is in place, rugs, art, and fresh fabrics are worked in to create warm, unique, layered, and happy spaces. Whether it's a pair of pretty pillows or vintage gold sconces, Fennebresque always includes a few consistent elements in her designs. "I always include symmetry, a touch of black, and something to throw it all off," she explains. "Whether it be a monkey side table or a fun rattan lamp, I love creating pockets of whimsy."

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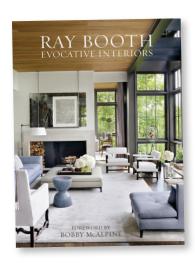


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FIVE MINUTES WITH RAY BOOTH

HDD sat down with Ray Booth to discuss his new line with Hickory Chair, which is carried at Good's Home Furnishings.

Q: What's your favorite piece in the Ray Booth for Hickory Chair collection?

A: I really love the Tete-a-tete; it's a classic silhouette. But I also love the Block dining table, which is such a beautiful piece of architecture—kind of a pavilion as a cocktail table.

Q: What inspired you to become a designer?

A: I credit my mom. She was able to experience living in antebellum architecture at a young age, and it cemented her love for architecture and design. That's why I studied architecture at Auburn, and when I went to New York, I fell in love with design, too.

Q: What was the impetus to write your book, *Evocative Interiors*?

A: I was a lesser known designer at McAlpine when the company's book publicist took notice of me and suggested I write my own book. So, we began conceptualizing Evocative Interiors. It was cathartic, and to intellectualize the work you do with people is amazing. That book led to this Hickory Chair (HC) line.

Q: What's next for Ray Booth?

A: Well, we're about to introduce thirty new pieces to the HC line, but I'm also working on a secret project that we're excited to announce soon. Stay tuned.





- 1) Ray Booth signs his book for Maria Owen.
- 2) Good's owners, Chris and Kevin Bowman.



















Austin loves to use her house as a testing ground and design lab for clients to visualize design concepts in their own space.

NED AND CATHY AUSTIN could never quite find the perfect home for their family of four. When their search commenced in 2006, it felt like every home they toured was dark, dated, and lacked character. Having grown up in Myers Park, Ned was "spoiled with the large, towering oaks," according to Cathy, so any home lacking an ample tree canopy was off the list.

The couple had just about given up their search when a neighbor mentioned a home about to hit the market, located on a quiet cul-de-sac in Barclay Downs. At her urging, they went to see it. Despite its stuck-inthe-eighties aesthetic—"It looked like it was straight out of an eighties Ralph Lauren ad," laughs designer Cathy Austin—the couple fell in love with the home's solid bones and picturesque, tree-filled yard. "The proportion, the scale, everything about the home's foundation was fantastic," she says.

After a few cosmetic updates, Austin's wheels began to turn with ideas on how to install just the right design scheme—one that consisted of a cozy place to gather and live daily life as a family of four coupled with Austin's love of art and antiques. As a designer, her home became a sort of design lab over the years, where she would test out various trends and looks before employing them in her client projects. "I would say, 'Look! You can do this and that and it's not the end of the world!" she says. "When people see how well it works in my own home and I'm not afraid to try it, they oftentimes get on board."

As a designer, Austin's calling card is that she doesn't have one. In fact, her aesthetic is chameleon, pulling design details from traditional to modern and blending them seamlessly into one carefully curated style. Her personal home is no different—a collection of traditional and contemporary artwork, antiques, and fabrics that look effortlessly elegant and sophisticated all at once. "I believe that when designing, you should buy the best when you can and those pieces will grow with you," she says. "The pieces that are really made well you can tweak and change as you move forward."

That approach is exactly what Austin employed in her home over the last sixteen years, cultivating collections of antiques and fine art from local and southeastern galleries like Hidell Brooks and SOCO. Pieces by Selena Beaudry, Amanda Stone Talley, and Liz Nielsen informed the color palettes and design of each room. "That's what I like to do: start with the decorative items in the house and let those lead me to the palette," she says, "instead of designing the room and adding the art last."

The result is a home that fully exemplifies Austin's style and truly makes her happy. "The pandemic has caused us to rethink our interiors and create spaces that lift our spirits and produce a sense of optimism with jubilant colors and patterns," she says. "A home should be a haven that provides relaxation and a calming influence. I try to practice what I preach by using this as a guide post in my own home." ◆









ABOVE: Austin calls the living room her "cabinet of curiosities." The space is chock-full of watercolors and paintings from her favorite destinations as well as items gifted to her from friends, and picked up at museum exhibitions and travels abroad.

OPPOSITE: Late artist Terry Reitzel painted the stunning cherry blossom mural in Austin's dining room. The designer pulled the same pink from the nearby foyer for the blossom color and the ceiling. Norbar window treatments and a custom chandelier designed by Austin complete the space.





A large abstract painting anchors one wall in Austin's studio, while a table skirted in Schuyler Samperton Textiles can be used for additional desk space or as a bar when entertaining clients. The lamps are from Mainly Baskets. **OPPOSITE:** The studio's design was inspired by a Bahamian cottage and features white walls, a conch-pink colored ceiling with a Serena & Lily chandelier, a sisal rug from Karen Saks, and a custom sofa covered in a Kravet fabric.







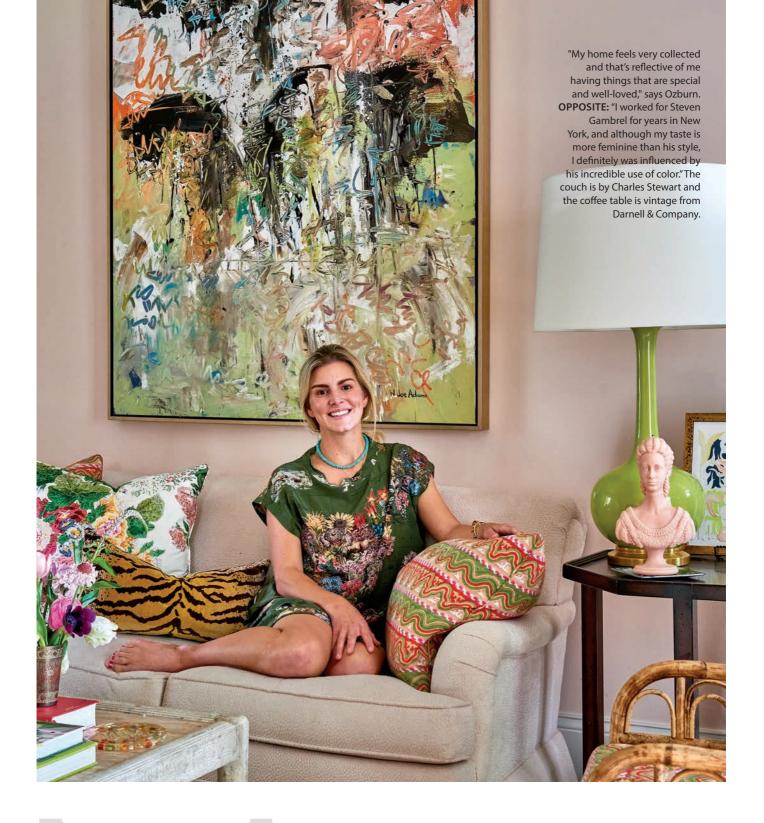




ABOVE: An oversized Otomi-embroidered textile purchased in Sayulita, Mexico, hangs above a discontinued Barbara Barry vanity Austin found at Scott Antique Markets in Atlanta. The chair by Celerie Kemble for Henredon is covered in Kravet fabric, and Visual Comfort lamps from Circa Lighting add just the right ambiance.

OPPOSITE: Austin designed this space for a designer showhome knowing it would eventually become a permanent design for her primary bedroom. Bedside lamps by Louise Gaskill and an Aerin Lauder for Visual Comfort chandelier from Circa Lighting add interest to the space. A custom bench swathed in Brunschwig & Fils fabric sits at the end of the bed.





MUCH LIKE THE COBBLER'S CHILDREN who have no shoes, a designer's home is never complete. It's probably not for lack of trying, or even a lack of energy, but, instead, it may simply be because designers are constantly evolving. What looks done to everyone else is still in progress to the designer, and Hannah Ozburn knows this feeling well.

"I don't think my house will ever feel 'done,' as I am always updating and fluffing the space with things I love," she explains. "It's so hard to decorate for yourself. I am constantly exposed to beautiful textiles and furnishings, so I have a hard time committing to a scheme. At the same time, though, I want things done yesterday, so I am always working on my home, buying things I love but changing them when I find something I love more."



Ozburn and her husband, Marc, moved to Charlotte from Nashville in 2018. Their home search was limited, as Ozburn knew she wanted a home in the Myers Park area for the great location and the number of young families. The older home checked a lot of boxes for the family of five, and details like the dental molding and arched doorways drew Ozburn in right away.

"The house was in pretty good shape," she explains, "so we just painted everywhere, upgraded the kitchen and back porch, and decorated." The colorful home oozes personality, with pale pink walls in the living room right off the entry and a cozy green den where the family can relax or entertain. "Those two rooms actually work really well next to each other, as they share the same color palette in the textiles and furnishings," she says. "And my kid's rooms are especially colorful, too; I like to let them have a role in defining their space. My oldest daughter loves rainbows and her room definitely reflects that."







With three young children, the Ozburns use every inch of space in their 1920s home. No space is off limits and nothing is irreplaceable, and every room needs to serve their busy lifestyle. "We don't have a breakfast room right now, so we are using our dining room for family dinners, entertaining guests for dinner, puzzles, and coloring," says Ozburn. She continues, while chuckling, "I could never purchase anything that I felt was too precious because, at the moment, for

example, my dining room light fixture is hanging by a thread after my kids were playing The Floor is Lava on the table!"

Ozburn's self-described "traditional-with-a-twist" aesthetic creates a look that feels collected and well-loved. Having worked for interior designer Steven Gambrel for years in New York City, her style is influenced by his strategic use of color with a healthy dose of femininity. The pale pink living room, one of her favorite rooms, is paired with neutral upholstery,











natural materials, and zippy fabrics combined with abstract art. "I especially love all of my art in the living room, which are all pieces I've collected," she says. "The large piece over the sofa was a wedding gift from my parents, but my children's portraits done by my friend Fielding Archer are among my favorites."

Though the home looks complete, Ozburn feels she is at a crossroads. "We need a little more space for our family," she says. "So, the question is, do we keep evolving and do a

renovation that speaks to the integrity of this older home, or do we move on from here? I never thought this would be my forever home, so we shall see!"

When asked if she would change anything about her home, Ozburn contemplates and decides she would change the dining room wallpaper. "It feels a little too tropical for Myers Park," she laughs.

A perfect response, it seems, from a designer who's constantly designing her own home, even when it's "complete." ◆





Thomas designed the brass fireplace, which is flanked by two Charles Walker striped paintings, while above it hangs a round encaustic by Brenda Rehrig. All three are from Hidell Brooks Gallery.

gets to know her clients well. It's the key to her tailored approach to interiors. And she designs every room and every home to reflect the people who live in it. "I need every job to feel different. I do not want my interiors to look like anybody else's," says Thomas.

DESIGNER TERI THOMAS

"I don't want people to walk in and immediately know that I've been there, because I want my client's life to show. My goal is that it's individualistic. That it's their home. That they feel like it's special for them."

Thomas, a native Charlottean, lived in an older home in Myers Park for nearly three decades. Over the years, she reworked it many times to reflect her family's changing needs—and just like her work for her clients, always with an eye for personality and curation. "That's what I do," says Thomas. "I want your



ABOVE: One of Thomas's favorite pieces sits on top of the left bookcase—a porcelain bud by South Carolina artist Alice Ballard. "Her pieces, to me, are so beautiful," says Thomas. "The photograph of a church in Iceland is by Merrell Thompson."

BELOW: In the kitchen, Thomas wanted a primary focal point and settled on the dramatic backsplash. "Whatever was going to be behind that hood needed to have that much weight in my eye," she says. "And that's the only backsplash in the kitchen."



home to feel like it has all those things about you. I don't want to walk in and have it appear like it all got done in one day. I want it to feel layered, like a life has been lived there."

With their children grown, Thomas and her husband Paul Haddock were ready to downsize. It was time for her to take her own advice: Keep what you love. Let the rest go. "Sometimes I just have to flat-out say, 'I know that you love that, but not everything can work in a different-scaled environment," says Thomas. "You must be thoughtful about what transitions scale-wise. Your big old dining room table with four leaves that seats twenty-two people is not going in a condominium. Nor do you need it."

The couple settled on a top-floor condominium in a new complex just around the corner from their former family home. Thomas got to work on the under-construction space, making creative structural changes to customize the layout. Then came the harder decisions, like what to keep in the new, smaller space.

"Having lived in an older home all my life, it was exciting to be able to move into something that was new and that we could design the way we wanted," says Thomas. "I just brought everything that was meaningful to us. The art was very meaningful. The antiques were meaningful. We took all the stuff we liked best and we let the rest go." The result is a colorful, richly textured home full of Thomas's favorite things. "I certainly have a more contemporary sort of mixed feel," she says, with a glance across her living room. "It's amazing how much one pretty, old piece of furniture can do for a room."

Thomas adjusted the layout so that the front door, which originally opened to the living room, leads into a multipurpose room instead. Cozy and wrapped in warm browns, the space pairs vintage furniture and lighting with luxe, textured Phillip Jeffries wallcoverings and a painting the couple bought during a trip to Santa Fe. "When you leave this room and go into the hallway, you come out into this big, white kind of space. I wanted it to be a juxtaposition," says Thomas.

In the living room, Thomas made several changes to the original plan. She raised the height of the ceiling, designed the brass fireplace to be a dramatic focal point, and added recessed bookcases along the wall where the front door would









ABOVE: In the primary bath, two watercolors that Thomas bought during a trip to the Loire Valley in France were hung above a vintage bench she found in Chicago. "I look at those watercolors every day; I remember where I was," she says. "The artist lived right there."

TOP LEFT: The antique French mirror reflects a custom-upholstered door in plum that leads to the powder room. Trumeau mirrors were encased in the wall, Thomas says, and are very heavy. "When they pulled them out of the chateau in France to sell them, they cut the framing out of the wall. The back of that mirror is literally the pieces of wood that formed the wall."

BOTTOM: Thomas's skill for mixing pattern and texture is showcased again in the guest room. The wallcoverings are by Christopher Farr Cloth, the ceiling fixture is from Arteriors, and the art is from Hodges Taylor.

have been. Ample seating allows for easy entertaining, and unique pieces such as a chess set Thomas found at a Paris flea market, a 1960s glass-top coffee table, and a chest from Thomas's grandmother add interest and layers of memories.

The design for this room started on the floor, with the angora rug that also lived in the couple's former living room. "I'd never seen one like it," says Thomas. "Before we decided to sign for this condominium, I made sure it would fit."

The living room opens to the dining area, energized with bold color from the upholstered banquette and a painting by New Orleans artist Tony Mose. The lighting was a find from Lindsey Adelman Studio in Brooklyn, and the table and chairs are vintage. "While I wanted a dining room, I did not want to dedicate half of this room to a dining room table I was going to use infrequently," says Thomas. Using the banquette allowed her to minimize the footprint of the furniture, which is deceptively small. The 1950s Italian table accepts a leaf







at each end, which maximizes the space. "I think I've seated sixteen at that table," she adds.

Thomas says of the hallway, "I wanted it to feel like you were going somewhere. So that it's special." The wallcovering has touches of gold to reflect light, in contrast with the black console table that Thomas and her husband bought on their honeymoon in England. Although the lighting is new, a Louis Philippe trumeau mirror from the 1850s gives the space an aged, bohemian feel.

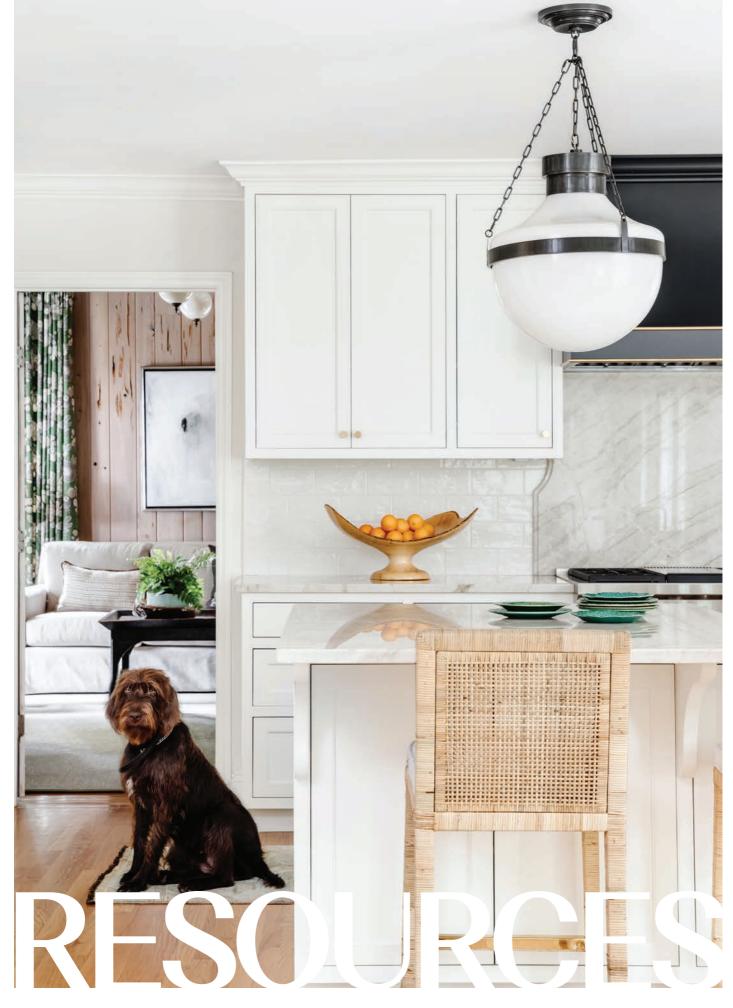
Pattern and texture meet again in the kitchen. A dramatic tile backsplash behind the stove and hood reaches to the ceiling. The leathered countertop looks—and feels—like petrified wood. "That's why I turned it down and did the waterfall edge," says Thomas. "It feels tailored to me, but it does not feel dark." She found the pendant lights in Paris, while the pottery is by a North Carolina artist. Both pieces were gifts from her mother.

In the primary bedroom, walls and trim are painted Oval Room Blue by Farrow & Ball in a high-gloss finish for a chic but calming effect. "It is such a pretty blue to me," says Thomas. "I love the combination of a sort of turquoise blue and lime green that's in the carpet." The headboard is embossed leather and mohair velvet. "I was in Paris when we were working on this condo, and I had no idea what was going on that wall," says Thomas, gesturing at the midcentury wall unit and desk. "And there it was. And now it's here. It's a 1960s desk made of Italian rosewood." She designed the custom window treatments to add interest and texture but refrained from using too much pattern, which would have disrupted the room's serene feel.

Thomas's home is proof that what a person loves can work together—even a mix of vintage, antique, and contemporary finds in different styles. She can often be found at the front of her home, which sits right on the street. "I sort of gravitate to the hubbub," she says. "I like hearing the cars and seeing the people walk by." She has brought energy and vibrance to this personalized space, just like she does for her clients. "It's such a wonderful creative process," she says. "It's collaborative; you work with the architect to see the vision through for each individual client. That's what I'm looking for every time. The soul." \spadesuit



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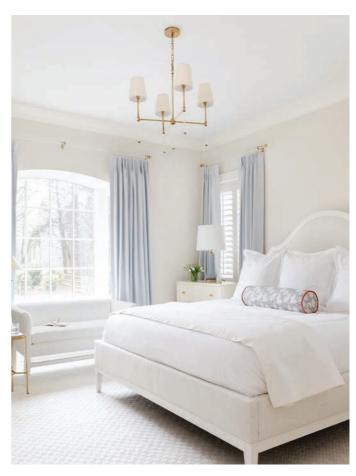
CIRCA LIGHTING TAKES A NEW APPROACH TO CLASSIC AESTHETICS.

WRITTEN BY BRANDY WOODS SNOW

Lighting fixtures, arguably some of the most important elements in a home, add vital dimension to the aesthetic by standing as an interesting focal point and highlighting other aspects of the comprehensive design. From improved functionality to mood setting to visual accentuation of the space's size, the perfect lighting can make or break the finished design, and selecting the perfect fixtures for the home should be a top priority from the very beginning of a new build or remodel.

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Kathy Bennett, business development specialist at Circa Lighting, recently supplied lighting for two projects—one fullhome renovation and one new construction—where several fixtures, all from Visual Comfort, were expertly matched to the tone and aesthetic of each home. Brought in at the beginning of both projects, Bennett worked together with architects and builders to select fixtures that seamlessly aligned with the homeowners' visions and the unique needs of each home.

I WANTED MY CLIENTS TO HAVE A SPACE THAT STANDS THE TEST OF TIME."

—KATHY BENNETT

In both the full-home renovation, located in Charlotte's SouthPark, and the new construction in Winston-Salem, clients requested a transitional design with a timeless appeal. "They both wanted a fresh approach on a traditional aesthetic, and for their homes to feel unique with bright colors to accentuate a more classic design," says Bennett. "I wanted my clients to have a space that stands the test of time."

In the SouthPark kitchen, the client loved the idea of a vintage look for the island pendants. Bennett chose the Modern Schoolhouse Lantern in Antique Brass Verdigris with White Glass. She says, "I liked the finish of this light because it was a unique take on the bright brass you often see in kitchen design. I felt that the light had a big impact in the room, but in an understated way. The lanterns are large and bring a lot of light into the space."

In the primary bedroom of the new construction, various sections within the comprehensive space required fixtures that best served their function. For instance, Luisa Large Table Lamps in Powder Blue Crackle perfectly complement the fabrics used on the bedding. A Hackney Bridge Arm Floor Lamp in Hand-rubbed Brass with natural paper shade accommodates the seating area, providing versatility with its swing-arm design. The bedroom's Camille Small Chandelier in Hand-rubbed Antique Brass with natural paper shades is also echoed in the attached bath. Bennett says, "We chose the chandelier for both the primary bedroom and the en-suite primary bath because of the cohesion it created between both spaces."



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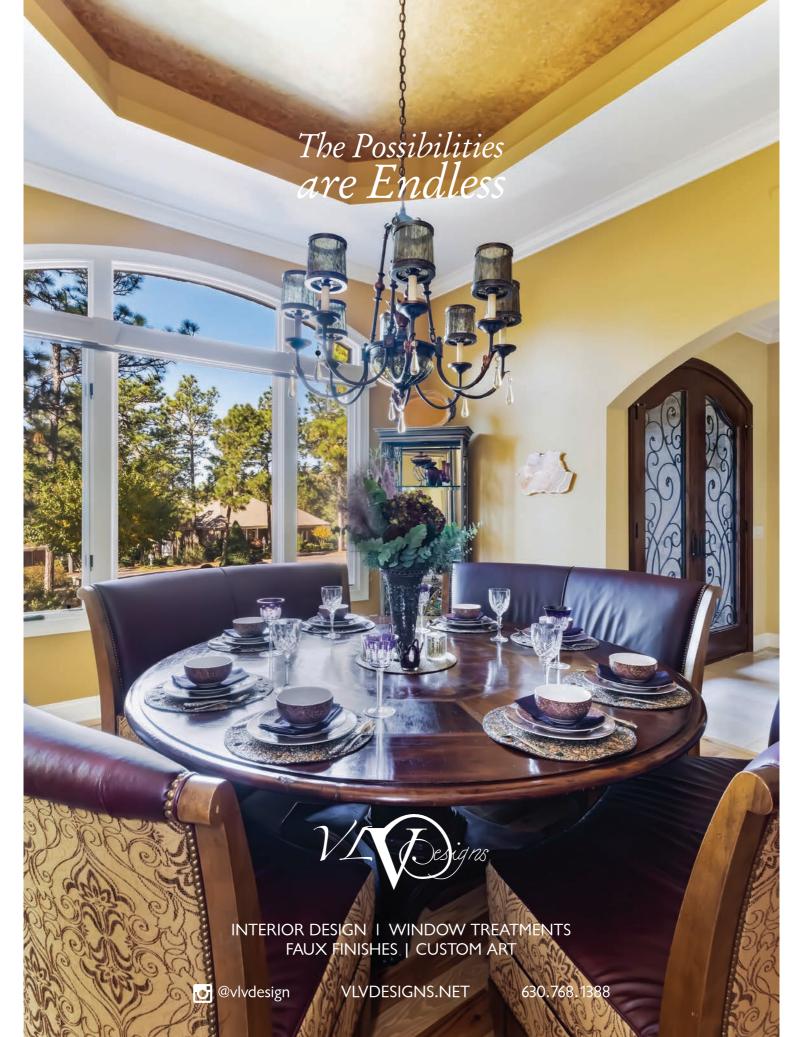
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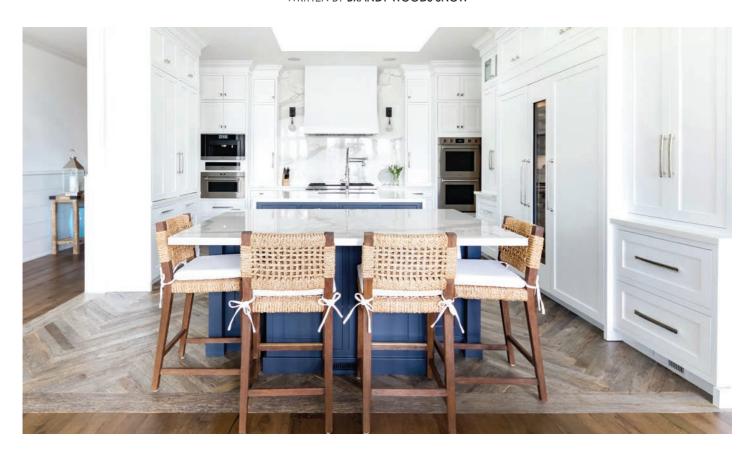




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When long-standing Charlotte-area clients approached Kaity Slaughter of DCI Home Resource about remodeling their second home in Hilton Head, South Carolina, they were pleased to hear that their go-to designer enjoys "getting out of town" to complete projects.

"When my clients purchased their vacation home, they had a difficult time finding a kitchen and bath design company they connected with," explains Slaughter. "They reached out and were so excited to learn that I often work with clients on secondary homes as far away as Roanoke, Banner Elk, Hilton Head, and other areas across the Carolinas."

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"With the home being in Hilton Head, the clients wanted to introduce blue into the design for a more nautical theme while also imparting clean lines and a thoughtful use of texture and contrasting colors throughout," says Slaughter.



"A HOME REMODEL SHOULD LOOK AND FEEL LIKE IT WAS ALWAYS MEANT TO BE THAT WAY."

—KAITY SLAUGHTER



This is most prevalent in the remodeled kitchen, which features reclaimed-wood floors, a custom blue painted island and white perimeter cabinets, sleek porcelain countertops and backsplash, and stained hickory interiors of the cabinetry and built-ins. Countertop wall cabinets with pocket and bi-fold doors hide small appliance storage and work areas, and dual islands, one with a refrigerator drawer and the other with a sink and dishwasher, provide abundant space for both seating and cleanup. The original peninsula with rounded columns and the pantry were removed to increase fluidity between the kitchen and living areas, Sub-Zero and Wolf appliances were installed, and flip-down false drawer fronts were included to hide outlets. An expansive skylight imparts ample natural light into the space.

In the bath, the reconfigured space allowed for a large shower with a cantilevered marble bench, an expansive master closet, and a freestanding tub. Signature custom cabinetry by DCI visually increased the room's height, and modern touches via a gorgeous chandelier and acrylic cabinetry hardware pair seamlessly with the Carrara marble to give the space a timeless appeal.

In the living room, the wet bar was removed and replaced with custom white built-in cabinetry with stained hickory framed glass doors and Crémone Bolt hardware. The laundry area, centrally located in the home, needed to be as visually appealing as the other spaces. DCI installed Dura Supreme Cabinetry in the same blue hue as the kitchen cabinets and added extensive storage to keep countertops clean and streamlined. Pocket doors with decorative wire hide the clients' pet supplies and bedding.

The finished project is a beautiful, welcoming coastal home. "A home remodel should look and feel like it was always meant to be that way, with the function and flow meeting the specific needs of the homeowners," says Slaughter. "In the Hilton Head home, we achieved both of these goals." •

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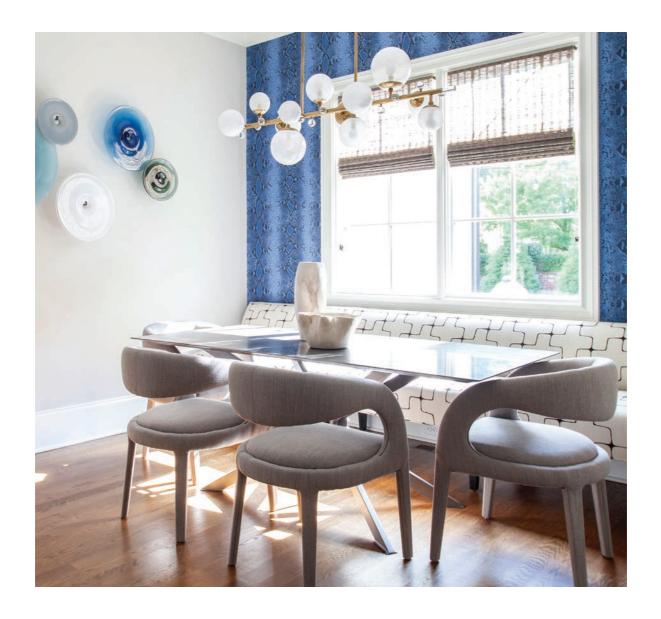
MOST OLDER BUILDS THAT I COME ACROSS HAVE A FAMILY ROOM FIREPLACE WITH A MANTLE AND FLANKING BUILT-IN SHELVES.

That's not necessarily a bad thing, just a common thing. If you, like this client, prefer clean lines and a more modern aesthetic and want something a little different, consider removing the mantle and shelves and starting over with a blank slate. It's not as scary as you think!

In this home, we replaced the original wood mantle with a modern custom option and applied a subtle stucco finish on the fireplace wall. We took out the built-in bookcases on either side and replaced them with sized-to-fit freestanding cabinets featuring curved sides and brass detail.

The back wall was painted charcoal, which gives give the room more depth, especially when paired with light furniture and pale walls. It's a very different and dramatic look. Four swivel chairs and a deep comfortable sofa were





"OUR GOAL FOR THIS PROJECT WAS TO CREATE AN OVERALL NEUTRAL WALLSPACE MIXED WITH POPS OF DRAMA HERE AND THERE."

added to promote great conversation and relaxation. We incorporated touches of blue to coordinate with the kitchen and the foyer, both of which are visible from this space.

With the addition of a fun snakeskin-patterned wallcovering in shades of bold blue, the adjoining breakfast area really pops. The blinds combined with the long custom banquette covered in geometric fabric add yet another layer of pattern. Always

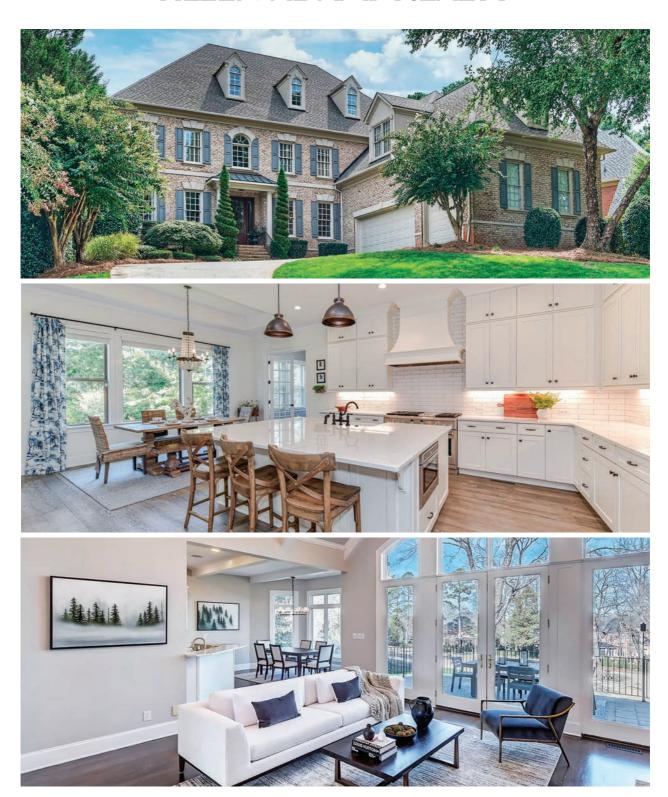
consider incorporating a banquette—they save space and are an ideal and cozy place to have a quick meal and do a little laptop work.

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Andy Warhol inspired a host of contemporaries; among the most famous of them were Jean-Michel Basauiat and Keith Haring. Together, these artists have inspired generations of emerging artists to push the boundaries of art. Pop to Now features select works by Warhol, Basauiat, and Harina, and follows their influence on pop culture, music, fashion, and art through a mix of works on canvas, as well as unique objects and memorabilia from the heady years of the Pop Art movement to today's cultural landscape of NFTs and data-driven art. Designed as a cultural celebration of the landmark pop artists of this century, this exhibition pays homage to the innovative creatives who have inspired billions, shattered ceilings, and created iconic moments.

EMERGING REVELATIONS: DUSTY GRIFFITH

ANNE NEILSON FINE ART Through October 20 anneneilsonfineart.com



Emerging Revelations is a solo exhibition featuring the works of Dusty Griffith, a highly renowned encaustic artist based out of Georgia whose work can be found within public and private collections across the nation. Using a variety of translucent media, including beeswax, Griffith creates luminous encaustics rooted in spiritual significance. Organic elements are pieced together like a puzzle to reveal

a complete work of art reminiscent of nature and a higher power. There are subtle color variations that flow amidst the layers of wax, enveloping the viewer within the depths of the work itself, mirroring the concept of the dimensional world we live in. These depths invite you on an unpredictable journey while radiating a mysterious light, leaving you with a feeling of serenity.



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