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RED BANK DESIGN CENTER: IT ALL STARTS WITH INSPIRATION

C. Finley, Multiverse Two Moons III, II, I, acrylic on canvas, 30" x 40," 2015. Photo: courtesy of AMELCHENKO + BONIFAS ART ADVISORY



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Professional interior designers at the Red Bank Design Center (RBDC) are on a mission to create one-of-a-kind spaces that truly reflect their clients' style and personality. As CEO of the RBDC, Amy Manor says the staff's design outlook integrates the latest trends with a laser focus on clients' lifestyle needs. No cookie-cutter looks here, just pure, simple rooms that elevate the experience of everyday living.



High Reflective
White

INFLUENCE ON DESIGN

PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE ITEMS WE FURNISH OUR HOMES WITH IS ESSENTIAL TO THE **DESIGN PROCESS**, MANOR SAYS. "People want their homes to be comfortable with beautiful, well-made pieces that transcend time. They should be very special and heirloom quality. I compare it to inheriting a piece of jewelry. You don't want to pass down a piece of furniture that comes in a box and needs to be assembled."

The individuality of every room is what makes a house a home, according to Manor. "Your home is such a representation of who you are. It's where memories are made, where we build our families. We think about who inhabits the space before we design it." She points to the care and thought that many parents put into designing their children's bedrooms. "We ask what colors and different things the kids like, and as a result, the kids always have individualized rooms. But the rest of the house looks the same as their neighbors' houses."

The design staff at RBDC believes that their clients' rallying cry should be "no more" when it comes to a lack of imagination in the home. "There are choices we offer that include unique designs and high-quality, made in the U.S. furnishings for any budget. We design for your lifestyle, and that way your home really speaks to you on a personal level. You have to be true to you," Manor adds. ■

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The Red Bank Design Center is successfully joining designers and product specialists to collaborate on projects. Although designers usually work independently with their own unique aesthetic, it is always refreshing to share a wealth of ideas with our fellow professionals.

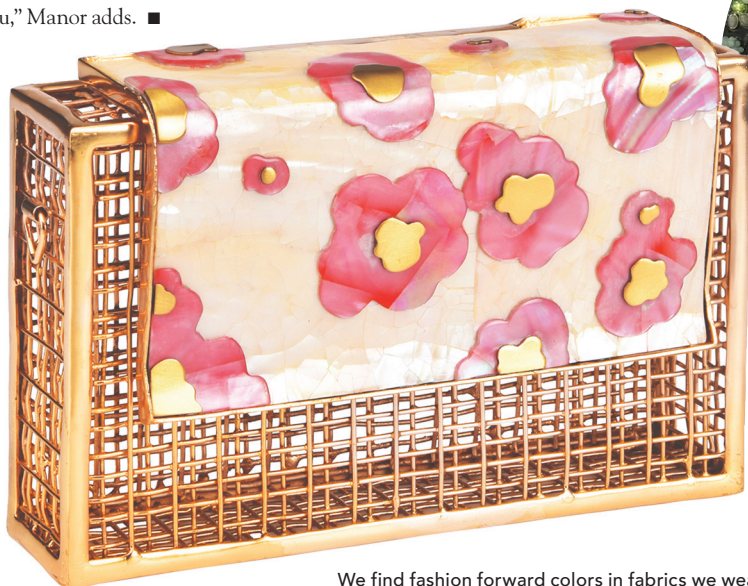
—Dana Berkowitz, Hacienda Design Studio, llc; Teri Lodato, Riverside Interiors, llc; Kara Vacca, Kara Thersea, llc

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In fashion we can mix a variety of styles, and it's the same way in the home design world. You can take Old World and mix it with modern or take baroque and mix it with contemporary to create a timeless look.

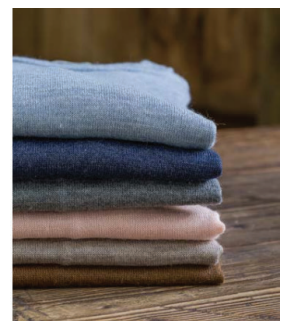
—Rina Carroli, Rina Carroli Interior Design



Citronella



We find fashion forward colors in fabrics we wear along with items we can fill our homes with. Purse by Mele + Marie. Artwork: C. Finley, "Phecda," 24" diameter, costume jewelry, wood, resin, 2016. Artwork courtesy of: AMELCHENKO + BONIFAS ART ADVISORY





(Left) The Cement Tile Shop at RBDC allows clients to customize their own space. (Right) Laura Park textiles, wall coverings, home décor, and personal accessories are inspired by her original art. Photo: courtesy of Laura Park

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As professionals, we help clients tap into their core understanding of color, symmetry and design, as well as their likes and dislikes, and explore it with them.

–John Henry Ernestine, Interiors by John Henry



Dahlia



Freshwater

(Below) Watkins Chair, Sackets Harbor Waterfall Skirt Sofa, Willet Cocktail Table, Glen Haven Square Ottoman and Solvay Spot Table by Vanguard Furniture. Photo: courtesy of Vanguard Furniture.



As seen at NY Now, original artwork by American abstract artist Carol Benson-Cobb interpreted into area rugs and pillows by Creative Touch. Photo: courtesy of Amy Manor

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The key to great design is capturing the spirit of the client and the essence of the space.

–Rob Hesslein, The H Group



Popular Gray



(Left) Alicia Adams Alpaca specializes in the design and production of textiles and clothing utilizing the natural and sustainable characteristics of alpaca wool. Photo: Alicia Adams Alpaca

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We are on trend and ready for Spring with every possible value of Green paired with the reflective properties of fun metallics and graphic silhouettes. Spring 2017 will be a stunning!

–Wendy Buckner, Wyndora Lynn Design



Kimono Violet

