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Rising Stars of Design 2021

A fresh take on traditional

Classic design never goes out of style, and this year's New Trad designers show us why traditional is now more popular than ever. Meet the fresh faces of design.

Meet the New Trad Class of '21.

Hillary Taylor

Checkerboard floors, skirted tables, classic forms, and plenty of pretty. Salt Lake City-based Hillary Taylor’s designs are dripping with quintessential traditional style. We love her look—and how she fills rooms not just with lasting pieces, but also with meaning for the people who call these spaces home. hillarytaylorinteriors.com



Nicole White

A native of Jamaica, Nicole White draws inspiration from the bold colors and textures of the Caribbean. Her designs gorgeously fuse the classic with the contemporary. Known for her renovation projects, the South Florida designer is a master at bringing wonderful new energy to formerly dated interiors. nwdinteriors.com



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I MAKE BOLD CHOICES WITH PATTERN, TEXTURE, AND COLOR BECAUSE I SEE DESIGN AS ‘WHAT IF?’ AND ‘WHY NOT?’” —designer Nicole White



Emilie Munroe

“Make your home the perfect backdrop for the life lived inside” is Emilie Munroe’s mantra. That focus is winning fans for her versatile San Francisco-based design studio, which gives clients what they want, be it classic tufted or modern luxe. We’re excited to see how this former protégée of Jay Jeffers has now become a master of luxurious personal interiors in her own right. studiomunroe.com



Anelle Gandelman

An alumna of both the Parsons School of Design and Sotheby’s Institute of Art, Anelle Gandelman intertwines her passions in her Manhattan-based design business. We’re captivated by the way she calls on art as inspiration in projects that speak to each client’s aesthetic. Whether it’s straight-up traditional or a classic-modern mix, Gandelman does it beautifully. alistinteriors.com

ISABEL LADD No plain vanilla here! An enthusiastic maximalist who loves color, pattern, prints, and textures, Isabel Ladd brings on the happy as she banishes the beige. We’re smitten with the Lexington, Kentucky, designer’s use of old and new, antique and modern, high-end and affordable in fun, fabulous rooms. isabelladdinteriors.com

Kristin Mullen

Her travels have taken Kristin Mullen throughout the United States, England, Europe, and Asia to historic homes, palaces, and museums. It's all helped the Dallas-based designer develop a timeless aesthetic rooted in classic principles. We love her flawless sensibility with antiques and salvaged pieces, how she makes a statement with furniture lines, and her willingness to spice traditional rooms with bold modern elements that ensure her designs speak to the way we live today. kristinmullendesigns.com



Josh Pickering

Trained in architecture and mentored by design legend Bunny Williams, Texas native Josh Pickering brings an enviable pedigree to his Dallas design studio. This classicist wins our heart with sophisticated, tailored rooms where architectural elements sing and design choices are impeccable. pickeringhouseinteriors.com



MY INTERIORS ARE CLASSICALLY INSPIRED, COMFORTABLE, AND MADE FOR MODERN LIVING.”

—designer Josh Pickering

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Kipling House Interiors

At Minneapolis-based Kipling House Interiors, the vision is clear: “Classic is our constant.” Rather than follow trends, designers Marita Simmons and Krysta Gibbons build a base for beautiful rooms with timeless interior architecture. We fell for their sophisticated look at first glimpse of their renovation of a condominium in the historic McCormick Mansion in Chicago. Take a tour on page 72. kiplinghouse.com

Will DuBose

Growing up in Chicago, Will DuBose was enthralled by public murals on the city streets and the Frank Lloyd Wright Home in Oak Park, Illinois. He became an artist while still a teen, earned an architecture degree in Michigan, and then launched a design business in New York City. His respectful yet energized restoration of a Brooklyn brownstone (page 62) awed us. strivingdesign.com



M+M Interior Design

Leslie Martin and Kim Meardon are the dynamic duo behind M + M Interior Design. They're sisters, originally from California, who started forging their design path in New York City before opening their Chicago studio. They're also moms—with nine children between the two of them—so they have a passion for creating homes that families can enjoy. We're amazed by how they create functional homes that also look incredible. mandminteriordesign.com

