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Rising Stars of Design 2022

Classic style never gets old,
especially in the hands of these designers
who bring fresh attitude and modern verve to rooms
that honor the past as they live for today.

Meet the New Trad Class of '22.



Jennifer Martinez

If you ask us, lofty ambitions should always include dentil molding—or some form of beautiful millwork. Jennifer Martinez agrees. That is one reason we love this Houston designer who draws inspiration from interior architecture as she shapes rooms defined by traditional silhouettes. But don't think for a moment that her rooms live in the past. Invigorating color and pattern put a fresh twist on classic style. jennifermartinezinteriors.com



Bria Hammel

Talk about a decorating prodigy—while other kids lined their shelves with Beanie Babies, Bria Hammel perused wallpaper and furniture showrooms alongside her design-minded mom. She honed an impressive eye for detail and business savvy that now serve her well as head of a team of talented Minnesota-based women who design homes across the country. We can't get enough of her fresh, young take on traditional. briahammelinteriors.com



Nile Johnson

With degrees in both interior design and interior architecture, Philadelphia-based Nile Johnson brings a well-informed approach to his tasteful interiors. We love his eye for striking furniture silhouettes, which he weaves into rooms enlivened by rich color and just the right pop of pattern. Nile's work lives up to his mantra: "A well-designed space is life-changing." nilejohnson.com



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Means + Carney

Beautiful design just keeps pouring from Atlanta like a tall pitcher of cool sweet tea. We're drinking in work from one of the newest teams on the Southern scene, Angela Means and Danielle Carney. Their classic rooms, made current with intoxicating color, are just the twist traditional decorating needs. meanscarneyinteriors.com



Benjamin Johnston

Houston, we have a rocket to success on the radar. We're transfixed. Benjamin Johnston plies a mastery of interior architecture and design into richly layered rooms marked by luxe materials and dramatic color. See his deft mix of new and old on [page 36](http://page36.com). benjamin-johnston.com



MEMORABLE HOMES BLEND THE BEST FROM MULTIPLE ERAS TO CREATE SPACES THAT FEEL COLLECTED OVER TIME." —Ben Johnston

Brynn Olson

We love a designer with an artist's eye—like Chicago standout Brynn Olson. Trained in art by her mom, Brynn launched her creative career painting murals while she was still in high school. After earning a degree at Vanderbilt, she built up her design chops at Nate Berkus Associates before launching her own business, leading a team known for timeless, clean-lined interiors with just the right amount of edge. brynnolson.com



Marissa Stokes

It's delightful to watch protégés of our favorite designers make their own marks. Our latest crush: Marissa Stokes, who learned the business from luminaries Victoria Hagan and Thomas Jayne. Now head of her own New York firm, Marissa beautifully follows in their footsteps with elegant, polished interiors. marissastokesid.com



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MY GOAL IS TO CREATE A BEAUTIFUL ENVIRONMENT THAT'S DIFFICULT TO LEAVE."

—Marissa Stokes

Christine Markatos Lowe

You'll find our heart at the intersection of classicism and modern living. That's also where you'll find Christine Markatos Lowe's designs. The Santa Monica, California, creative—whose résumé includes an MFA in sculpture and a stint working with the storied Michael S. Smith—mingles the best of past and present in elegant rooms enlivened by her signature mixture of pattern, color, and texture. markatosdesign.com



Gibbs Design + Build

Some Texas-size talent has appeared on the scene in Abilene. The husband-and-wife team at Gibbs Design + Build handles home projects from the ground up. Lucas' cabinetry and millwork talents team with Rebecca's unerring eye for interior design. We love their marriage of traditional lines and timeless yet of-the-moment color. gibbsdesignbuild.com



KEITA TURNER

Drawing on a background in both fashion and interior design, New York City-based Keita Turner knows how to tailor a space for success. We're looking forward to a whole lot more runway-ready projects from this designer, who excels at creating timeless rooms marked by an uplifting attitude. keitaturnerdesign.com