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TRADITIONAL HOME.

Rising Stars of Design 2020

A fresh take on traditional

Crisp and classic. Soft and Southern. Rustic yet refined. This year's 10 New Trad designers know how to put their own fingerprint on classic interiors—and make them relevant to the way we live today. Meet the **New Trad Class of '20.**

Richard Anuskiewicz

Just like a tantalizing recipe, today's kitchens are all about the blend. Richard Anuskiewicz is one of the new masters of the mix, uniting wood and glass, fabric and stone in cooking spaces that are rich in flair and function. The industry's biggest names have taken notice: Handpicked by Matthew Quinn, Anuskiewicz leads design at the new Design Galleria location in Nashville. richarda2z.com



Charlotte Lucas

We'll always be pushovers for sweet Southern charm. North Carolinian Charlotte Lucas plies it perfectly in her projects, filled with soulful antiques, happy color, and whimsical details. Equally beguiling: wallpaper and fabrics from House of Harris, a venture she shares with sister Liz Harris Carroll. charlottelucasdesign.com



MY MANTRA: HAVE NOTHING IN YOUR HOUSE THAT YOU DO NOT KNOW TO BE USEFUL OR BELIEVE TO BE BEAUTIFUL.”

—designer Melanie Fowler, quoting William Morris

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Janie Molster

In the hands of Janie Molster, the old most certainly is new again. The Richmond, Virginia, designer's passion for antiques is evident in her spaces, which marry classic forms with dynamic contemporary color. "I like to think my rooms inspire Southern graciousness, whatever the region," she says. "Even the most sophisticated designs, when handled thoughtfully, should infuse a space with warmth and personality." janiemolster.com



Melanie Fowler

You can search for beauty among the chaos—or just give chaos its walking papers. Melanie Charlton Fowler has built a business, Clos-ette, on her knack for bringing beautiful, functional order to closets, dressing rooms, and kitchens. We love how she incorporates details—hardware, drawer inserts, lighting, and more—to bring a stylish custom look to the spaces she designs from her bases in New York City, Dallas, Palm Beach, and Sharon, Connecticut. clos-ette.com



Rachel Cannon

How can a thoughtful introvert thrive in a wide-open extrovert world? With a little help from Rachel Cannon. The Baton Rouge, Louisiana, designer and podcast host brings beautiful calm and grace to classic yet fresh rooms that safeguard boundaries, celebrate quiet, and let introverts preserve every ounce of creative energy. rachelcannonlimited.com



Amanda Reid

Elegance, we love how an invigorating breath of fresh air looks on you—especially at the direction of Amanda Reid, founder of Boston-based Mandarin Interior Design Studio. Her designs, simultaneously rooted in classicism and bursting with young energy, wrap refined living in comfort—spiced with just the right bite of bold color. mandarinastudio.net



Saudah Saleem

We never get enough of New York City—pulsing with excitement and energy. Our hearts skipped a beat when we discovered Saudah Saleem. She captures the exhilaration of the Big Apple in interiors brought to life with vibrant color and pattern. saudahsaleem.com



DESIGN'S RULES ARE MEANT TO BE BROKEN. THE WORLD IS GOVERNED BY RULES; YOUR HOME DOESN'T HAVE TO BE.” —designer Saudah Saleem

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Stephanie Sabbe

“Good design tells of the old while embracing the new,” Stephanie Sabbe says. That’s speaking our love language! We’re smitten with her use of antiques and highly personal pieces in heartfelt interiors—and intrigued by her path from Tennessee to New England and back. As she draws on lessons learned from old brownstones and cedar-clad Capes, Sabbe imbues new homes with warm character. sabbeinteriordesign.com



Zoë Feldman

We can’t think of a better place to earn your design stripes than under the tutelage of Alexa Hampton. It’s given Zoë Feldman a modernized classic aesthetic influenced by art, fashion, and architecture. It suits the homes she now designs as head of her own firm—specializing in residential restorations and ground-up construction projects in Washington, D.C.’s historic Georgetown neighborhood. zoefeldmandesign.com



WENDY BLACKBAND

West Coast style is riding a brand-new wave, thanks to Wendy Blackband. The California designer melds traditional and current, polished and rustic, calm and colorful to create rooms that are exceptionally inviting. She calls it “coastal bohemian.” We call it irresistible. See more on page 56. blackbanddesign.com