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ROOM ENVY

Simple design details that go a long way.

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WHEN DESIGNING A HOME, I ALWAYS LOOK FOR FINISHES THAT WILL MAKE MAXIMUM IMPACT BUT ALSO ONES THAT WILL REMAIN TIMELESS. THE LAST THING I WOULD EVER WANT IS ONE OF OUR DESIGNS TO LOOK OUTDATED IN A FEW YEARS. I DO THIS BY ENSURING THAT EVERY SPACE HAS ONE STANDOUT ITEM, WHICH COULD BE ANYTHING FROM MILLWORK DETAILS, TILE, WALLPAPER, LIGHTING, OR FURNITURE.

Elegance and timelessness are important but without a 'punch' can come across as bland. I encourage clients to embrace patterns and textures, which are often the elements that make a space come to life.



ENTRANCES

Entrances are often overlooked, but they are the first room your guests see when they visit. You want these spaces to be bold, inviting, and well thought out so anyone who enters gets a strong first impression. Most homes have small entrances but that doesn't mean you have to sacrifice style. A little wallpaper, furniture, stools, and a well-proportioned rug can go a long way in creating a complete look.

For this home renovation, we removed the wall separating the staircase from the entry and added in a custom oak wood slot detail. This really helped open up the space, and added an architectural detail that filtered the light into the home. We also created a gorgeous custom tile lay where we chose to feather the tile into the hardwood (rather than simply a hard stop). A simple, functional bench helps to keep the area organized and practical.

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Living rooms are a great place to do this so you can use pieces that mean something to you and tell a story. Gallery walls also add a lot of interest to your space, so instead of simply going with a large art piece above the sofa, you can create a dynamic arrangement of a few different sized pieces.

LIVING ROOM

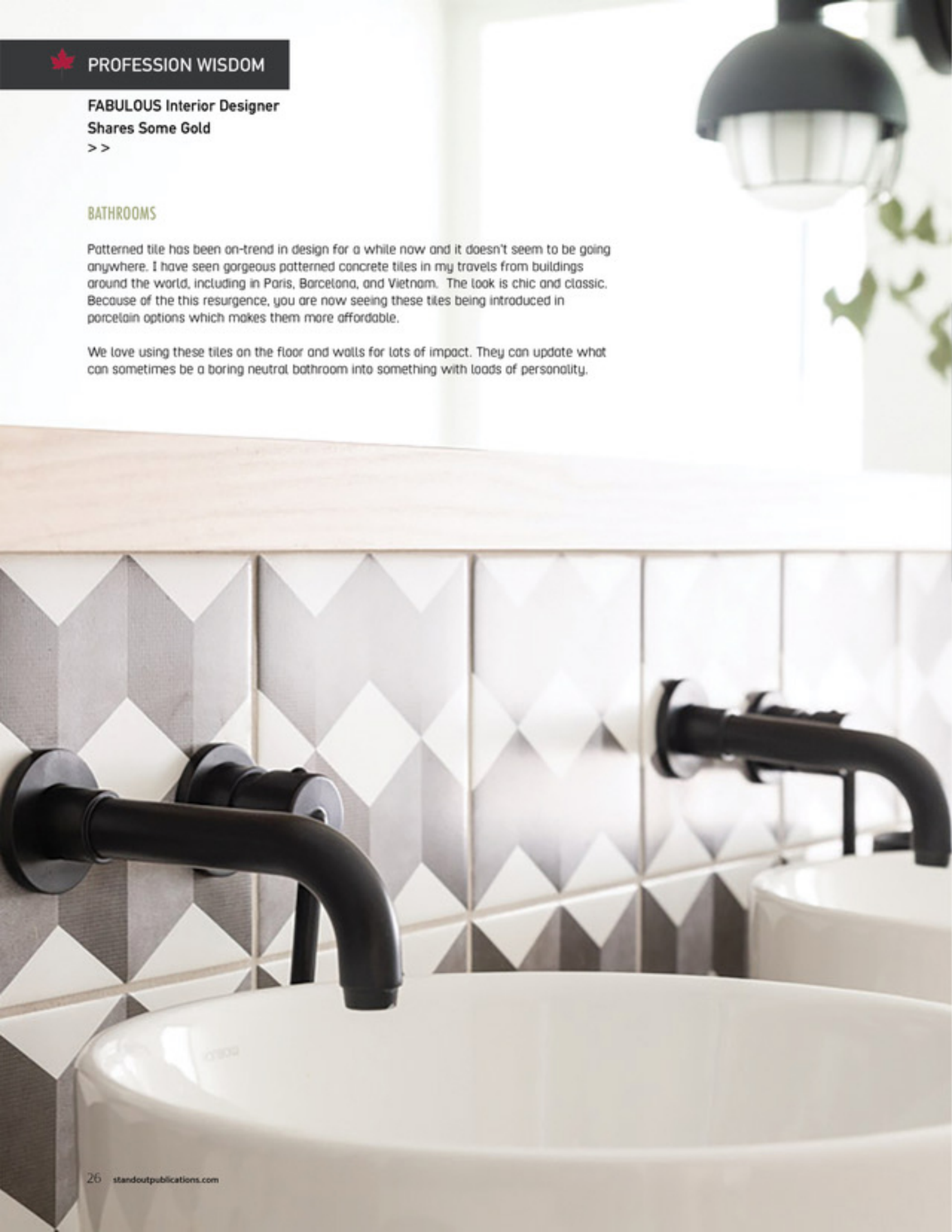
Wall space is sometimes at a premium depending on the kind of home you live in. If you are anything like me, I have a lot of décor pieces that I have collected throughout the years and it can be a challenge to display these items without getting cluttered. I find gallery walls are a fantastic way of mixing and matching art pieces with photographs and using up that limited wall real estate.

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BATHROOMS

Patterned tile has been on-trend in design for a while now and it doesn't seem to be going anywhere. I have seen gorgeous patterned concrete tiles in my travels from buildings around the world, including in Paris, Barcelona, and Vietnam. The look is chic and classic. Because of this resurgence, you are now seeing these tiles being introduced in porcelain options which makes them more affordable.

We love using these tiles on the floor and walls for lots of impact. They can update what can sometimes be a boring neutral bathroom into something with loads of personality.



BEDROOMS

Wallpaper is an easy way to create impact in what I believe should be your most personalized room. I use wallpaper in every single one of my projects because I feel it brings in warmth and personality. There are so many styles, patterns, textures that you can get with wallpaper that the possibilities are endless.

Wallpaper also helps create a focal point in a room, so adding it to the wall behind the bed, makes it easy for the eye to travel there. Layered with gorgeous furniture, art, and accessories it can really make a bedroom into a wonderful sanctuary.

