



HOME DECOR

LOUNGE-A-LICIOUS



If you're looking for an easy, quick way to add interest to your home, consider the unique beauty of tiling. From the kitchen backsplash to wet bars, bathrooms, fireplaces and outdoor living spaces, there are so many incredibly beautiful hand crafted tile lines and all it takes is a visit to **Mission Tile West** in South Pasadena to get inspired. Mission Tile West creates their own exclusive tile designs in their own factories, inspired by collections from all over the country. Tiling is easy to install and care for, and the experts at Mission Tile West will be glad to give you all the information you need. Also, the new **Mission West Kitchen and Bath**, conveniently located right next door, is an extraordinary Kitchen and Bath shop designed as a valuable resource for historically accurate pieces to fit a variety of styles within any home, whether it be Traditional, Contemporary, Spanish revival, Mid-century modern or a Craftsman bungalow. Check out their exquisite showrooms in Santa Monica and Palm Desert!

Summer waits for no one, and the hottest part is still in front of us. One of California's summer joys is being able to spend so much time outdoors, and yet be surrounded by beauty and comfort. **Outside in Home Furnishings** on Beverly in Los Angeles is a one stop shop for both outdoor and indoor décor and accessories. Their unique selection of outdoor sofas, chaises, umbrellas, fountains and statuary can transform

your backyard into a comfortable, chic place to gather with friends for a summer soirée, or perhaps an informal wedding shower! Not only does their outdoor décor look great, but it's easy to care for and weathers well. Custom design is available – just tell them what you need and they will create it for you. Their unfailing customer service makes shopping at Outside in Home a consistently pleasant experience.

The new location of **Urban Colony** in Sherman Oaks has just been open six weeks, having moved from the old Helms Bakery Building. If you haven't had the chance, stop by and see what you can find to update your seasonal décor. From custom upholstery and furniture to rugs, lighting and beautiful accessories, you can choose from in-store items or browse their extensive catalogs. First time clients get a free home visit and interior design consultation to help you firm up your vision for your home improvement project AND you'll receive 10% off your opening order! Owner, Robert Wylie, is a talented and experienced interior and furniture designer who will help turn your home into a showplace of style and beauty at a surprisingly affordable rate. Interior designers are always welcome when they need assistance on projects. Robert offers a generous trade discount to designers. The only thing better to look at in the store than the stunning furniture is Robert himself, because he is gorgeous!!

Eclectic Avenue Furniture on the Westside is holding a huge storewide sale off their already rock bottom prices! For an extra 5% off any one item on sale, just find their ad in this issue and bring it in to the store! Pick up exquisite home furnishings and accessories from Bali, Indonesia, China and the USA – hot and stylish pieces that you might find at Z Gallerie, Crate & Barrel or Pottery Barn, but at much higher prices. Sofas and loves seats, bookcases, accent tables, armoires, overstuffed armchairs and mirrors are just waiting for you to discover the beauty of being eclectic! The showroom changes on a weekly basis and you can mix and match from exotic rustic to today's contemporary, making your home feel inviting and comfortable for everyone. Interior design and staging available.

When no amount of new décor is enough, it's time to remodel. After all, there's a whole new generation of sleek, functional appliances, cabinetry and design out there since your kitchen was new – say back in the 1920s. For over 18 years, the award-winning **Kitchen Factory** in Studio City has been an invaluable resource for high quality, complete design services for not only kitchens, but bathrooms and entertainment centers. Gay owned and operated, their newly remodeled showroom is a hotbed of ideas for turning your rooms into models of beauty and efficiency. New products for 2008 include new contemporary door styles in exotic woods and high gloss finishes. Check out their new cabinet door display with over 100 door styles to choose from as well as new kitchen displays showing the latest in traditional and contemporary styles. The Kitchen Factory was the Audience Winner for *Citysearch's* "Best of" in Home Décor Category and they are now offering Interior Design services in addition to their kitchen design and remodeling expertise.

Rooted in imagination, **EQ3** is a concept inspiring the transformation of rooms within the intimate and emotional place we all call home. EQ3 is about innovative rooms of affordable furnishings for simply living, alone or with others. The designs of EQ3 are globally inspired, and centered in the growing interest by many across all generations for a lifestyle expression reflecting modern living. Since 2001, EQ3 showrooms have become inspiring destinations. This is where design and wonder meet. New ideas are welcomed, individuality finds personal expression, and the value and ideals of "home" are celebrated. At EQ3, they aim to create multiple choices for their customers. From customizing a furniture purchase right through to delivery options, their goal is to facilitate each purchasing experience. EQ3 has stores all over the world, with the closest one here in Burbank on San Fernando Blvd. For more info, visit www.eq3.com.

If you're tired of living where you're at and want to move to a lovely city where everyone is welcome, think Glendale. **G&C Properties** is Glendale's premiere boutique real estate brokerage specializing in architecturally-significant character Spanish, English and Traditional homes built from the 1920s. It is **Chris Cragnotti's** goal to expose Glendale to the sophisticated buyer looking for charming, conforming neighborhoods, upscale amenities and a convenient location within the Southern California region. The recent opening of Caruso Affiliated's The Americana At Brand has begun a transformation of Chris' native city and he couldn't be more excited. With comparatively affordable home prices, a strong revitalization plan and its strategic location close to major studios, minutes to downtown LA and the link between the San Fernando and San Gabriel Valleys, Chris is confident that your ideas about Glendale are going to change. But don't take his word for it, ask the several LGBT households within a five block radius of his own home and you'll agree. You think you know Glendale? Think again.

When your home is in order, all's right with the world!



URBAN COLONY BY ROBERT WYLIE, SHERMAN OAKS

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