

STYLEMAKERS



JULIE CHARBONNEAU, MONTREAL & TORONTO Channelling Montreal's exuberant joie de vivre, Julie has a sparkling personality and excels at crafting sophisticated, social spaces that welcome family and friends with open arms — but never at the expense of French finesse.

CONNIE BRAEMER, TORONTO & THE U.S. A longtime fave of *H&H*, Connie knows how to make a major statement — without shouting. Whether it's a penthouse's exotic wood feature wall, or a wet room in a modernist new-build, her designs leave a lasting impression. (See a contemporary home designed by Connie on page 106.)



SLOAN MAURAN, TORONTO & PALM BEACH Since she started out as young designer with Kate Zeidler, Sloan has always orchestrated classic, luxe interiors that never look dated. She wields her signature moves in a way that doesn't come across as ostentatious or overdone.

At First SIGHT

H&H SPOTTED THESE RISING STARS EARLY IN THEIR CAREERS, AND THEY'VE ALL LIVED UP TO THEIR PROMISE.



BLAZYS GÉRARD, MONTREAL Since *H&H* singled out the young Quebec team of Alexandre Blazys (*right*) and Benoit Gérard in 2006, they have garnered major acclaim for the handsome character they impart to their projects. Their lavish use of custom millwork and dark, moody palettes yields sensuous and masculine results.



NAM DANG-MITCHELL, CALGARY This stylish designer has been making Calgary a much more glamorous place since we identified her as a major talent in 2011. Her sophisticated, whisper-soft palettes and indulgent materials (think grasscloth and silk velvet) create pampering, indulgent home bases for her high-powered clientele.



MAZEN EL-ABDALLAH, TORONTO *H&H* first recognized Mazen's eye for clever design solutions in 2011. Since then, he's tackled client renos and his own diminutive 900-sq.ft. home with equal gusto. Savvy — but never snobbish — about labels, he's resourceful and knows when to splurge on a big-ticket item for major drama.

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