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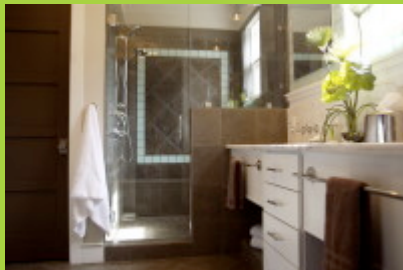


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Dear Friends,

I hope this edition of Notes on Design finds you well and enjoying the summer. As usual, I am busy finding new resources and great buys for my clients and friends. I just returned from Chicago and the NeoCon trade show with new inspiration. Although the focus was on commercial interiors, I also explored the residential showrooms of the Merchandise Mart and discovered new lines not found in Minneapolis.

I have also added a page on Facebook for Insite Interiors LLC. If you are part of the Facebook world, please become a fan! I will periodically offer specials on furnishings, insider tips and information on sales and events in the area.

Warmest Regards,
Sharon Allemong

Room Revive on a Dime

Our budgets may be tighter than they were a year ago, but that doesn't mean we can't give our living spaces a little pick-me-up. It will also give you and your family something to smile about. A few suggestions to freshen a room without a lot of money:

~PAINT- always your biggest bang for the buck, especially if you do it yourself. Paint the walls, paint a tired piece of furniture, paint that stained oak trim white to update the space and make the wall color vibrant.

~RE-ARRANGE- take everything out of the room, try a different furniture arrangement and only put art & accessories back in the room that you really like. Steal something from another room and it will seem new again.

~RE-PURPOSE- explore the summer garage sales and flea markets for items that can be recycled into something new. An old chest as a cocktail table. An old wooden ladder as a towel rack or display shelf. An old door or fireplace mantel as a headboard.

~ACCESSORIZE- buy a new rug, new throw pillows, a new piece of art, a new vase, whatever you like. Discount stores like TJ Maxx Homegoods have great stuff at great prices.

No matter the budget, there is always something you can do to revive your space. Life is too short to live in a space that doesn't make you happy!

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