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THE URBAN ELECTRIC CO.



Here comes
Thom Filicia's
brand-new Home
Collection

Real-time design comes first for this Parish-Hadley alum, who garnered mass appeal on *Queer Eye for the Straight Guy* and his own TV show, *Dress My Nest*, while working for private clients such as Jennifer Lopez and other, less-famous, folk (thomfilicia.com).

Now, once again, it's Thom's moment in the spotlight. Over the course of this year, he's collaborated with a slew of partners on the Thom Filicia Home Collection—furniture, rugs, appliances, lighting, and fabric—all with the same focus on quality, detail, and accessibility.

Thom's furniture for Vanguard launches in October at the High Point Market in North Carolina. The aesthetic—and focus on sustainability—reflects his own approach, with clean lines providing a solid base for decorative flights of fancy. We know

his eagle-based console will soar—especially since it's planned to sell for less than \$2,500.

Made from recycled water bottles, his indoor-outdoor rugs for Safavieh are eco-, eye-, and wallet-friendly. The company also produces gorgeous indoor rugs with patterns abstracted from nature and the world around him—aerial photographs (he does spend a lot of time on planes), animal patterns, and muddy tire tracks. Working with Shaw Floors, Thom created a 100 percent green (cradle-to-cradle) line of commercial carpets.

We're also keeping an eye out for Thom's lighting for Visual Comfort, his fabric line developed with

Kravel, and for appliances from Amana.

But, here's the true mark of confidence: "I'm using all this myself in the new house I'm building," he says. "I'll mix it with antiques and other pieces that are meaningful to me. That's how you make a space your own."

"Niagara" 5½x8½-foot rug, \$825; "Chatham" 5x8-foot indoor/outdoor rug, \$149; both from Safavieh (safavieh.com). The "Green Tea" fridge is a concept for Amana (amana.com). We hope it goes into production!

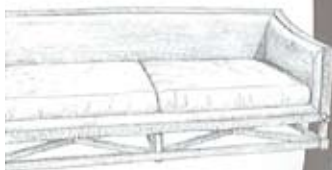


hang tight
Form and function
spark **Darryl
Carter's** lights

This D.C. designer starts from a place of pure self-interest—but that's good for everyone. Lighting is crucial to his work—and his line for The Urban Electric Co. (urbanelectricco.com), reflects what he needs for projects but can't find. Darryl's reinventions of antique forms are "discreetly driven by patina and the graceful insinuation of hardware," which he says give them authenticity. Now he's adding five striking pieces, including the "Gwenwood Wall" fixture, above, shown at the Paris Le Printemps department store. >



This "Grek Peak" chair is a prototype from Thom's line for Vanguard. The final version will be upholstered.



The "Skaneateles" sofa for Vanguard, sketched here, premieres at the High Point Market in October (vanguardfurniture.com), trade.