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## HOME RULE

DESIGN INSPIRATION

# Night & the City

Whisper of red and green, silver and gold, and all those holiday color clichés. Style setter **Jason Oliver Nixon** has pronounced that black is the new black. "Bring on the black! Eureka for ebony!" Nixon has been shouting around our offices... (Do us a favor and follow his lead. Please. Please.)

### MIRROR, MIRROR

If we could credit our entire goal in **Merinda Stewart Signature** furnishings we would, but then we would be too broke and forced to not eat food for something tragic like that. So since we are not interested in being the bankruptcy poster boy, we have found a way to get around that. We've found a piece—of Merinda's mirror, the drop-head **Merinda's Carved Mirror (\$419)**. Just look at that sleek and lovely glimmer, the playful circles... It's a delicious paper planer, only on a wall. Available through **Colony Home, 1709 Lee Highway, Arlington, Virginia, 703.554.1700**.



### MELLOW BORBELLO

Our "perfect" of nature, "A.K.A. our best friend, needs a new look, and we don't want any old piece that looks like it fell out of Colonial Williamsburg. No, this one has something against Colonial Williamsburg: We love to make paper and that with silk in post-rod costume, but we just don't want them coming into our home and messing up our sheets. Anyhow, just this morning we discovered the most fabulous bed frame to sit on our own sheets in Vietnam by way of Paris and Los Angeles. Designer sensibility: the divine, espresso-colored **Brocade Home** hand-carved bed (\$5,200) for a full that looks like it fell out of an impeccably chic boudoir in France. Visit [brocadehome.com](http://brocadehome.com).



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### ROCK STAR

There's a star when we set our holiday table with long red ropes and that looked lovely and that said we are extremely on the verge of the end and that to those we take with water and ended up eating NYC talent. Anyhow, there's one thing we recently found upon these children black crystal vases from **Anthropologie (\$38-\$59)**, and our table now glitters like never in mid-high level post. And, yes, we will serve NYC, but now we will our guests that the recipe came from chef **Nora Pauline**, and they seem to have thought our table like, so there you go. Available at **the Shop at Georgetown Park, 1222 M Street NW, 202.527.1262**.

### GARDEN OF EARTHLY DELIGHTS

Add some pizzazz to your jobs with these wildly decorative, black-green painted mid-century, Scandinavian planer boxes from the dynamic duo at **KenswickRobbin** fine outdoor furniture. (\$2,900). We just want to fill our planer with all sorts of greened items and arrange first items and such to complement this melody in the garden of good and evil. Garden garden things: [www.kenswickrobbin.com](http://www.kenswickrobbin.com).



Illustration by Barbara McElroy



### OVER WHOLE GILT

Every room needs some pizzazz, a bit of gold? Imagine the electric atmosphere that this **Anson Ribbon Pendant Light fixture** in **Lustrated Black (\$219)** will bring upon your table of long rooms... It just seems like more and all around, and there's only one place to get yours under \$100. Not and not done. Available at [the urban electric.com](http://www.theurbanelectric.com).

"I'm gonna do the whole bedroom in camel color—it's an old lady color."—Amy Seddars

### DANCEBROT SCLAVES AHEAD

Every dining room needs a table, so that you can serve up a festive holiday meal without having to have some help to not the food out from the kitchen and serve up the green beans and whatever in that light/dark French service style. We tried that one, and the help spilled coffee on Aunt Maudie and cranberry sauce on Uncle Fred. It was kind of funny, until of Maudie and Fred ran to one of the walls for crawling up. Now, thanks to the curly **Blackbird Buffet (\$1,499)** from the folks at **OH**, we are back in the safe, and you can go serve your own dinner off our beloved passion and cranial space, **www.Midco Productions**, we are, **Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 215.261.1111**. Visit [www.midco.com](http://www.midco.com).





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