

MASTERS OF INTERIORS

FOUR DESIGN ICONS SEDUCE SPACES BY SHATTERING EXPECTATIONS

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Our homes have taken on new meaning. They offer escape, comfort, and safety, and their personalized design is essential to our well-being. Because we occupy them so frequently, it's crucial to blend artistry with individual expression. This is where an expert comes in—to ignite the fire within with grand options that defy expectation. Here, we celebrate four distinctly different interior designers who are lighting up the industry with unparalleled chic elegance for the discerning elite.

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Just as the name implies, maximalist design rejoices in excess and the over-the-top to stimulate the senses by mixing patterns and textures. The result: sumptuous rooms that entertain, astound, and infuse the imagination with their resplendence and eccentricity.

One of the key proponents of this new wave of maximalist design is Lori Morris. Her flair for ornate beauty and eclectic aesthetics has earned her quite the reputation in the design world. Whether she's combining disparate textures to create a cozy living room or mixing unique patterns to craft a one-of-a-kind kitchen, Morris is rewriting the script on what contemporary home design can be. Her clients are among the most discerning elites, and no space—from in-house bars to bowling alleys—is off-limits. She dares to paint walls in black and rich jewel tones instead of more conventional neutrals. One of her signatures is finding unusual textures, such as feathers, frills, and fur, and using them to embellish and center extravagant living spaces. Not for the faint of heart, her masterpieces are eye-popping conversation-starters, shattering expectations in order to liven up drab interiors.

Her most recent project, the *Regency Renegade*, is a striking combination of masculine and majestic; the palette of her design contrasts solid grays and black with bold greens, giving the space an edgy, modern appeal. Elaborate chandeliers dangle from the ceiling, bathing the room in elegant light as residents lounge on velvet sofas, dotted with furry and fuzzy pillows. Crown molding lines the walls and ceilings of both the kitchen and living spaces, dazzling all who visit. Mirrors adorn various corners of the room and make the quaint and cozy space feel more expansive, more open. With her magic touch, Morris somehow makes these different elements blend harmoniously together. The outcome is a warm, inviting ambiance that will make everyone feel right at home. She is a 'no rules' designer whose unparalleled flair for artistry distinguishes her as one of the world's most highly sought-after visionaries.

