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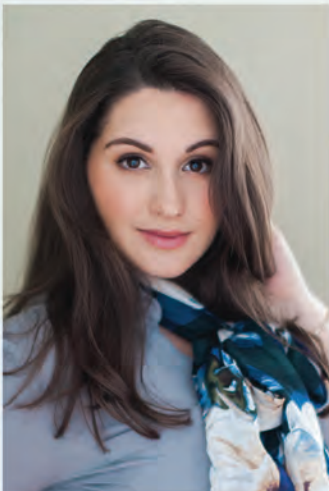


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Eclectic



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Eclectic style in luxury design is more than mixing the old with the new—it combines a variety of nuances from a broad and diverse range of sources. A skilled designer creates this effect by pulling together unique blends of textures, colors, finishes and shapes, while subtly enforcing harmony within a space.

Pictured is a project in which I played an essential role while working with Robin McGarry Interior Design. The eclectic style here begins with a foundation of traditional elements within the room: a custom, tufted-back sofa; a neutral-patterned, hand-knotted, vintage-inspired Oushak rug; blue and white antique urn vases; and a wood side table with a warm

finish. These elements are simultaneously contradicted and complemented by the modern midnight blue flannel wing-back chairs, black lacquer and bronze metal console tables, and deep red custom cowhide leather ottomans. The lighting featured here also explores a mix of lines with the smooth, translucent, smoke glass lamps in the modern, multi-tonal gold geometric chandelier and wall sconces.

This room is in no way limited to one single look or theme. Eclectic style has been achieved here by using design principles to leverage the collaboration of modern, traditional and antique elements, thereby producing a truly graceful composition and justifying some daring dashes of the unexpected.