

TORONTO'S ULTIMATE GUIDE TO DESIGN

# DESIGN LINES

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GREAT  
INTERIORS

175+

SHOPS, SHOWROOMS,  
GALLERIES, BARS  
AND RESTAURANTS

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## SHOPPING GUIDE

are all about luxe, including Kenzo Home, Fendi Casa and Missoni Home. The place is flowing with fabrics, linens, carpets and glassware. 122 AVENUE RD 416 921 7787 MON-WED 10-6, THU & FRI 10-8, SAT 10-6, SUN 12-5

### KOL KID

This busy store is known for its toys and super-cute toddler clothes, but who wouldn't want a floral Tord Boontje pendant light at any age? Among the household items Kol Kid carries are wall graphics by Inke and birdhouses by Tamar Morgendorf.

674 QUEEN ST W 416 681 0366  
MON-FRI 10-7, SAT 10-6, SUN 12-5

### MADE

Everything at Made is Canadian designed and much of it by local talent. You'll find furniture pieces made from reclaimed wood by the Brothers Dressler, ceramics by Jeremy Hatch and Coe & Waite, plus beautiful pillows and carpets by Bev Hisey. 867 DUNDAS ST W 416 607 6384 MON BY APPT, TUE-FRI 11-7, SAT 11-6

### MA ZONE

This jam-packed and über-colourful boutique mixes the eccentric with the classy, including tableware by Sebastian Conran and Sabre, elegant vases and etched glasses by Egizia of Italy, Alessi watches and fun kitchen gear by Koziol. 63 JARVIS ST 416 868 0330 MON & TUE 11-6, WED-FRI 11-7, SAT 10-6, SUN 12-5

### MAGIC PONY

Besides creating the city's best storefront window displays, this quirky Queen West favourite is filled with limited-edition toys and figurines (mostly from Japan), plus gadgets, gizmos and picture books, all with an offbeat, kitschy twist. 694 QUEEN ST W 416 861 1684 MON-SAT 11-7, SUN 12-6

### MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR

Innovative pieces by such cutting-edge designers as Autoban, Jason Miller and Montreal's Samare, plus exclusive offerings from the UK's Established & Sons, Jaime Hayon and, more recently, the New York design studio Rich, Brilliant, Willing. 80 OSSINGTON AVE 416 533 6684 MON BY APPT, TUE-SAT 10-6, SUN 12-5

### MISSONI HOME

In the same vein as their eponymous fashion line, Missoni's home furnishings include rugs and bed linens in trippy prints and millions of colours – perfect for fluffing up a drab room. 1400 CASTLEFIELD AVE 416 787 7787 MON-SAT 9:30-6, SUN 12-5

### NEAT

Quality design, sensible use of materials and utilitarian practicality are the golden rules at this storage and home ware boutique. Neat caters to small-space dwellers who refuse to sacrifice on good design. 628 QUEEN ST W 416 368 8328 MON-WED 11-6, THU & FRI 11-7, SAT 10-7, SUN 12-5

### PALORANTA

Along with paintings by Teemu Paloranta, this little shop carries a decent selection of home products from Eva Solo and Marimekko, plus Secto pendant lamps and wood furnishings by Loft 65 of Toronto. 833 QUEEN ST W 647 345 8289 MON-FRI 11-7, SAT & SUN 12-5:30

### PRELOVED

Toronto's favourite purveyor of eco-chic clothing now has a home textiles collection. Fashionable items – including aprons, placemats, throws and pillows – are made from recycled clothing that, like the fashions, change with the seasons. 881 QUEEN ST W 416 504 8704 MON-WED 11-7, THU & FRI 11-8, SAT 11-7, SUN 12-6

### ROLO

Where else can you find Philippe Starck plastic cutlery, Alessi's hand-vac, high heels for babies and Dolce & Gabbana wristwatches in the same store? A great collection of offbeat home accessories and bizarre gifts. 24 BELLAIR ST, SUITE 6 416 920 0100 MON 10:30-6, TUE-FRI 10:30-7, SAT 10:30-6, SUN 12-5

### SHOP AGO

Stocked with a plethora of Frank Gehry-themed merch (notepads, key chains, T-shirts), along with ceramics and jewellery by Canadian artists, Leonardo glassware and Georg Jensen's famous coffee pots and cutlery. 317 DUNDAS ST W 416 979 6610 TUE 12-6, WED 12-9, THU-SUN 12-6

### SNOB

Snob carries mostly artifacts and furniture imported from Africa. Check out their stunning collection of handmade throw pillows. Custom-ordered upholstery is available in such exotic materials as zebra and ostrich. 388 CARLAW AVE, SUITE 202F 416 778 8778 MON-FRI 10-5:30, SAT 10-5

### STUDIO BRILLANTINE

Beautiful accessories for the home and office fill this gorgeous store, including all-things Alessi, Arne Jacobsen and Starck. Wall clocks and one-hand tape dispensers share space with Rin Tin Tin figurines and garden gnomes by Rien Poortvliet. 1518 QUEEN ST W 416 536 6521 MON-SAT 11-6, SUN 12-5

### SWIPE BOOKS ON ADVERTISING AND DESIGN

Heaven for design-book junkies, titles here range from graphic arts to kids books and sneaker anthologies. But most of us visit Swipe for the beautiful home decor items, including littala vases, Emile Henry ceramic cookware and Acme pens crafted to utter perfection. 401 RICHMOND ST W, SUITE 121 416 363 1332 MON-FRI 10-7, SAT 11-6

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### NARWHAL ART PROJECTS

Run by the same folks who operate the beloved Magic Pony down the street, the art on display at this cute space reflects a similar unique vision (let's call it sci-fi fantasy meets kiddie-land macabre).

680 QUEEN ST W 647 346 5317  
THU-SUN 11-6, MON-WED BY APPT

### NICHOLAS METIVIER GALLERY

Probably the most recognized artist at this blue-chip gallery is Edward Burtynsky, the famed photographer who documents the excesses of manufacturing and our insatiable consumption. Other big names include painters Joanne Tod and Shelley Adler. 451 KING ST W  
416 205 9000 TUE-SAT 10-6

### THE POWER PLANT

The Power Plant is a public gallery space committed to bringing Torontonians of-the-moment works of art by the latest names in contemporary art. Until November 22: Candice Breitz, whose multimedia work explores intriguing human-interest topics such as identical twins, and musicians and their fans. \$6 231 QUEENS QUAY W  
416 973 4949 TUE-SUN 12-6, WED 12-8

### ROYAL ONTARIO MUSEUM

Visitors go to experience the new Crystal extension by Daniel Libeskind as much as to see the museum's beloved dinosaurs. The building has become the city's most visible architectural fodder for the ongoing form versus function debate. Until January 10, 2010: Dead Sea Scrolls. \$22 general admission 100 QUEEN'S PK  
416 586 5549 MON-THU 10-5:30, FRI 10-9:30, SAT & SUN 10-5:30

### STEPHEN BULGER GALLERY

Bulger features the very best in photojournalism and fine art photography, including Vid Ingelevics and Magnum photographer Larry

Towell. A small but well-stocked bookstore of photography books can be found in the back. 1026 QUEEN ST W 416 504 0575 TUE-SAT 11-6 AND BY APPT

### WYNNICK/TUCK GALLERY

Located inside the 401 Richmond building, this commercial gallery is surrounded by artist-run centres committed to showing lesser-known artists. Wynnick/Tuck, by comparison, isn't quite so out-there. The art on display is mostly by artists who are in their prime and creating art that's conceptually rigorous and richly sophisticated. 401 RICHMOND ST W, SUITE 128  
416 504 8710 TUE-SAT 11-5



### FOOD & DRINK

**PRICE GUIDE**  
AVERAGE COST OF A MEAL,  
DRINK, TAX & TIP  
LIGHT FARE (\$10-\$30)  
\$ (\$40)  
\$\$ (\$40-\$60)  
\$\$\$ (\$60-\$90)  
\$\$\$\$ (-\$90)

### BAR ONE

This wine and pizza joint, a regular haunt for Queen West locals, has a warm vibe, sophisticated Italian menu and a tiny back patio lit by a glowing box. \$\$ 924 QUEEN ST W 416 535 1655 DINNER: MON & SUN 5-10, TUE-SAT 5-11, BRUNCH SAT & SUN 9-4

### THE BLACK HOOF

This small restaurant known for its house-made charcuterie is a carnivore's paradise (bone marrow is offered as a side dish). The best thing to order is the night's daily special. \$\$ 928 DUNDAS ST W 416 551 8854 SUN & MON 6-12, THU-SAT 6-2

### BLOWFISH

This Johnson Chou-designed space is hip and exciting – a swinging '60s veneer wall behind the bar is separated from the dining areas by a wire mesh screen. Blowfish strikes the perfect balance between design integrity, genuine hospitality and top-notch sushi. \$\$\$ 668 KING ST W 416 860 0606 MON-WED 5:30-11, THU-SAT 5:30-11:30

### BRASSAI

Offering classic and modern French cuisine, Brassai's courtyard-situated patio and open-concept dining room is often filled at lunch and after work by the business crowd. \$-\$\$\$ 461 KING ST W 416 598 4730 DINNER: MON-SAT 5:30-12, LUNCH: MON-FRI 11:30-3, BRUNCH: SAT 10-2:30, SUN 10-3

### C5

A Royal Ontario Museum resident, C5 is decked out in black and white to match its glamorous menu. Exec chef Ted Corrado serves up such dishes as seared black cod with lobster hollandaise. \$\$\$ 100 QUEEN'S PARK 416 586 7928 LUNCH: SAT-SUN 11:30-2:30, AFTERNOON TEA: THU-SAT 3-5, DINNER: THU-SAT 5:30-10

### CHEFS' HOUSE

Kearns Mancini Architects and Gow Hastings Architects transformed an industrial building at George Brown College's east-end campus into a state-of-the-art kitchen facility and great place to dine on gourmet meals prepared by chefs-in-training. \$\$ 215 KING ST E 416 415 2260 LUNCH: 11:30-1:30 DINNER: 6, LAST SEATING AT 8

### CITIZEN

The second of three locations by chef-owner Rodney Bowers (of Rosebud fame) has Leslieville raving. The seasonal French menu features modern twists on such classics as gnocchi and steak tartare. \$\$ 730 QUEEN ST E 416 465 0100 MON-WED 5-10, THU-SAT 5-11