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The exuberant scale of Hamptons interior design has run the gamut from rich Italianate living rooms looking out on romantic gardens to contemporary glass palaces on restored dunes. While today's homes try to be mindful of the environment and embrace relaxed East End living, simply "letting the outdoors in"—a traditional Hamptons goal—actually requires great skill. Designers and architects who understand the local spirit are helping homeowners create informal spaces without falling into beige clichés. Here's our roundup of 50 area design pros who get it.



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pieces plus contemporary and antique objects; many are on display in their showroom. *17 Madison St., Sag Harbor, 631-899-4848; jangeorge.com*

PABLO JENDRETZKI

Pablo Jendretzki is a minimalist architect for whom light, proportion, and materials are guiding principles. His deep understanding of the East End spirit puts his interiors in a natural context, while his international

experience lends global perspective. For a recent Sag Harbor renovation, he opened a wall with floor-to-ceiling windows, making the surrounding forest part of indoor life. *860 West End Ave., New York, 917-669-3004; jendretzki.com*

KELLIE FRANKLIN

Franklin Salasky partnered with Kellie Sirignano in January after leaving B Five Studio. Her youthful exuberance complements his

experience, and their work is always conceptually tight. For a fisherman's cottage renovation, they unified the high ceilings of two contiguous rooms with Ingo Maurer's Lacrime del Pescatore lighting—a netlike fixture whose name means “tears of the fisherman.” *304 Park Ave. South, 7th fl., New York, 646-491-6139; kelliefranklin.com*

KLC STUDIOS

Katie Leede is originally from Los Angeles, where the indoor-outdoor lifestyle guided her approach to design. Free-flowing spaces, plus textiles in indigo, green, or hay palettes, lend her interiors a romantic feeling. Leede uses furnishings made of natural materials, such as grass rugs and driftwood coffee tables, to provide a respite from city cement. *214 W. 29th St., Ste. 710, New York, 646-707-3569; katieleede.com*

MABLEY HANDLER

Jennifer Mabley and Austin

Handler mostly stay faithful to their ocean palette of powder and grayish blues and sandy beiges. Steering clear of modern, their interiors are traditional Hamptons fare, filled with plush sofas in textured fabrics and light woods. The accents come from leather pouffes, mother-of-pearl chandeliers, or oriental ceramic garden stools used as side tables. *34 Head of Pond Road, Water Mill, 631-726-7300; mableyhandler.com*

MARTIN ARCHITECTS

Nick Martin designs modern homes and interiors that include historic pieces. He opened his studio in 1998, and his carpentry background shows in his custom furniture and floor-to-ceiling boiserie. For a recent project, he reworked an old Hamptons kit house, turning it into a Zen-like retreat powered by green technology. *2913 Montauk Hwy., Sagaponack, 631-613-6555; martinarchitects.com*

WINTER MCDERMOTT DESIGN

Maureen McDermott takes a minimalist approach. Her white-on-white rooms rely on solid-color textured fabrics to create a sophisticated yet relaxed feeling. For a recent Sag Harbor project, she painted a whole room in tones of white, blurring the edges between ceiling, walls, and floors. Her accents include modern light fixtures in copper and brass, as well as contemporary photographs. *631-806-5734; wintermcdermott.com*

PATRICIA MCGRATH DESIGN

Patricia McGrath designs quintessential Hamptons

and Shelter Island homes, but she recently employed her skills to turn the Southampton law offices of Bennett & Read into an extension of her clients' home. She used modern furniture, Oushak wool rugs, and Venetian wall finishes for a happy mix of modern and traditional. *2827 Montauk Hwy., Bridgehampton, 631-537-2822; patriciamcgrathdesign.com*

GREG MCKENZIE DESIGN

Greg McKenzie designs eclectic but functional Hamptons homes. Not big on trends, he prefers long-lasting mixes of Regency, Art Deco, and 1970s design, often using objects and furniture the client already owns. This year he was named design director of The Fields, a Southampton development of 28 homes, featuring nine different types that he can customize further. *516-819-1554; gregmckenzieidesign.com*

STEPHANIE MICHAAN

Stephanie Michaan's clean interiors convey her clients' preferences but also tell a story about her own travels and inspirations. This June, she opened a retail store, The Interior, in Sag Harbor, that stocks modern, minimalist pieces. She thinks of her shop as a tiny escape from the big city—the same way she views the Hamptons. *11 Bridge St., Sag Harbor, 914-557-9326; theinteriorny.com*

LAURA MICHAELS

Laura Michaels and partner Ondine Karady are Manhattan- and Montauk-based designers with a style

HAMPTON DESIGN

Peggy Fruin's great talent is designing custom kitchens with precise cabinetry built to the measurements of, say, the Blue Point oyster forks inside. Her clients are young—and young at heart—and prefer a clean, functional look. Fruin recently created a kitchen for fellow interior designer Stephanie Michaan. “We wanted the house to feel fresh and neutral but maintain the farm feel of Bridgehampton,” says Michaan. Fruin and her team went modern, with slab cabinet doors in white oak accented with unobtrusive hardware. “Even though our kitchen is on the smaller side,” says Michaan, “it’s definitely the main gathering area.” *7 Tradesmans Path, Ste. 11, Bridgehampton, 631-537-7200; hamptondesign.com*