

DesignInspirations

Notes and News from Kristina Wolf Design



Greetings From Kristina Wolf Design

Our studio is buzzing with new projects and opportunities to work with interesting people and their living space vision—and challenges. To help us with these challenges, we bring in our community of experts – be they contractors, lighting designers, or specialty woodworkers—to create your *perfect* living space.

Project Showcase

Pebble Beach—located on one of the most magnificent stretches of California coast—is an interior designer's heaven on earth. Every house is an architectural tour de force with a view warranting the very best in window framing. Speaking of which: In this picture, the windows are in, the roof is in the works, and the cabinets and flooring will soon follow. Expected completion date: Early 2010.



"From the very first design selection of outside window trim color, Kristina set the stage for what is turning out to be a stunning design concept! She's creative, flexible and fun to work with!"

– Lucy Carlton, Pebble Beach



Green and Sustainable: Walking the Talk in Interior Design

What do green and sustainable actually mean? Succinctly put, it means saving the earth. And in our profession, this translates into using resources wisely and using recycled resources and non-toxic materials (e.g., organic) whenever possible. I spoke on this subject at length at our design fair

this summer. Currently, recycled wood and carpets with natural fibers are readily available products. At Kristina Wolf Design, we recently discovered Benjamin Moore's new No-VOC paint "Natura." We can assure you that there is absolutely NO paint odor—none! We also recommend Natural Home Magazine for gathering useful information, tips and inspiration on ways to make your home both healthier and more environmentally friendly.

Trends for the Fall : Bathroom Remodels are HOT!

There are many ways to make your bathroom more functional—and beautiful. This room should be much more than a mere shower stall, because here is where you recharge and reinvent yourself. As such, the bathroom should be a haven where you pamper yourself and find respite from the rat race.

Here are a few suggestions:

Storage. Rather than hiding all the towels and toiletries behind cabinet doors, how about ripping out those doors and arranging the towels and cotton balls in attractive, multi-sized baskets on open shelves?



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"Kristina has an eye for style, a mind for value and a natural talent for design. After moving into our new home in Mill Valley, my wife engaged Kris to help design the new space... Kristina first spent time understanding how we live and what we value. She then made very thoughtful suggestions on how we could utilize the furnishings we already owned and suggested beautiful pieces to fill in the gaps. Kristina helped to transform our house into a beautiful home."

– Ron R.
Mill Valley
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Lighting. Don't scrimp here. Adequate lighting will allow you to prepare your face and hair (be it shaving your beard or blow drying your 'do) to bring yourself confidently into the world ... life is but a stage.... Specifically, avoid "down light" over your vanity as it provides poor lighting. When in doubt, call Kristina Wolf Design and we will refer you to our own lighting design expert.

Glass Tiles. Amazing glass tile designs are now available, and they present the perfect opportunity to create your own unique bathroom design. Yet, if you're unsure of your own talents, working with a designer for creating, say, a custom backsplash will put the wow into your bath splash.



Vendor Corner: Taylor Scott Collection

It is my pleasure to welcome my latest vendor, the **Taylor Scott Collection**. More of our Golden State talent, this California-based upholstery firm creates stunning and unique, individually prepared sofas and

chairs. They also offer a number of styles of the increasingly popular slipcovers. The collection has been featured in many magazines, most recently Veranda.

Coming Soon

As promised early this summer, **KRISTINA WOLF DESIGN'S** first "Design Inspirations" workshop will be held in October in our Berkeley Studio. These complimentary workshops are intended for the non-professional, who can use some tips and suggestions for tackling your design challenges at home or in your office while enjoying seasonal beverages and hors d'oeuvres.

First Topic: Plan Your Space
7:00-9:00pm
October 22, 2009



Your Assignment: Bring a rough drawing and measurements of a problem room, and after we go over design basics, we'll work on these problem rooms together, and I'll offer you some suggestions for your specific plan (or problem). One room only, please.

Please RSVP to admin@kristinawolfdesign.com with the following subject line: Workshop RSVP 10/22/09. Limited to 15.

"In just 90 minutes she helped me so much. We picked paint color for my bedroom, had a plan to rearrange and clear out the clutter from my bedroom, picked carpeting from the samples my landlord made available, got the OK on a big painting I was considering buying, got ideas for accessories, discussed moving and lowering the art work that was already hanging. Now I've painted, got the new carpeting, rearranged furniture, cleared out stuff and the energy in my home and my life in general is truly flowing..."

- Robin B.
Oakland
Yelp Review



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