

Seasonal Design

If your dining room chandelier can accommodate it, try dressing it up with some winter greenery during the holiday season. For an extra festive touch, you could even try hanging lovely glass ball ornaments that coordinate with your home's colour scheme.



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Home Staging Tips & Tricks Selling Your Home During the Holidays

Don't let the thought of selling your house during the off-season affect your holiday spirit. While too many décor items may distract the buyers, the right ones can help draw attention to your home's best features. There is a fine line between attractive, strategic staging and decorating to our own tastes and style. Just remember that it should be done minimally and tastefully to appeal to ALL buyers. Decorate for "winter" instead...

Complement Your Palette

If your home décor is a soothing grey or soft blue hue, skip the clashing red and opt for white/cream and silver accents. If you've got an earthy colour scheme, accent with rich tones such as red, green, and gold.

Accentuate the Features

Dangle mistletoe in an arched doorway, or display an assortment of candles on the ledge of a bay window. Decorate your mantle with greenery, white lights and gold, silver, or natural décor, and skip the personalized stockings.



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\$150 first 2 hours, \$50/hr. thereafter

Vacant Staging

\$1,950+ depending on size of home and number of staged rooms

Occupied Staging

\$350 first 3 hours, \$50/hr. thereafter

Homeowner Consultation

\$250 - \$300 with prioritized report of staging / design recommendations

Shopping Assistance

\$150 first 2 hours, \$50/hr. thereafter

If you have tall ceilings, get a tall Christmas tree and decorate it minimally with décor such as icicles and silver or gold glass balls. If you have a small living room, get a skinny or tabletop tree. If possible, place the tree where it won't block the windows in order to maximize the natural light coming into the room. If you have a beautiful staircase, highlight it with a simple garland.

Keep it Simple, Minimal, and Neutral

A few decorations can stir the holiday spirit, but don't feel obliged to use everything you have. You still want your home to feel as spacious and "neutral" as possible. Limit yourself to a few hints of holiday flair, so keep your Santa, snowman, angels, and Nativity in storage, and then pull it all out again when you celebrate the holidays in your new home. For more tips, check out my blog.



Interior Design Trends for 2018

BRASS & COPPER ACCENTS

Add some warmth, flair, and shine to your room by investing in brass lighting, décor accents, and even side tables. Use it sparingly and as a compliment to objects with little or no sheen. Brass hardware and fixtures is also hot right now in kitchens and bathrooms.

BLACK & WHITE

This is a trend that has been around for a long time and never goes out of style, and will be even more prevalent in 2018. It reflects a style of sophistication and elegance in any design style, from traditional to modern.

BOLD STATEMENT TILES

Patterned tiles can definitely catch the eye with extravagant style. It can be incorporated in small areas such as a kitchen backsplash, small bathroom floor, or as an accent on a shower wall. There are many styles and colours to choose from to give your home that wow factor.

RECLAIMED WOOD

Natural, earthy, and rustic reclaimed wood furniture, accent walls, and décor will continue to be popular in 2018. Whether it existed in an old barn or schoolhouse, you are preserving a little bit of history and allowing its story to live on.

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