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or our Anniversary Issue, East Coast Home + Design focuses on the fine art of Interior Design. We gathered some of our favorite Designers throughout the East Coast and asked them to share with us spaces that they truly love and asked them to express their thoughts on a very important question: Why Hire a Designer?



Roughan Interior Design

Why Hire An Interior Designer?

"An interior designer has the knowledge to curate a space that the "client" desires. We also prevent costly mistakes and have access to invaluable sources that will meet your budget and timeline. Our job is to simplify your life through each phase of the design process and is accomplished through proper management. Every project is special and requires different levels of time and detail to create a beautiful functional space."

Why I Love This Space?

Hollywood glamour and '70's chic come to mind when we look at this New York City apartment co-designed by Christina Sullivan Roughan, while designing for Tocar, Inc. Currently head of Greenwich based, Roughan Interiors, she told us that "the inspiration was definitely NYC, circa 1970's, Halston meets Bond, 007".

With its' "timeless mix of modern and traditional elements", the space was "designed to be very fashion forward specific" and has views of St. Patrick's Cathedral and the spectacular New York City skyline, according to Roughan.

Located in the New York's historic Olympic Tower on Fifth Avenue, the room's glamorous feel is enhanced with Italian ivory leather sofas, vintage Schumacher flocked drapery fabric and Venetian sconces. Designed as a "chic mecca" for a young bachelor, the space is all about glamour and comfort. A custom Patterson, Flynn and Martin wool carpet warms the space and grounds the seating arrangement. The well thought out lighting plan has been incorporated into a creative ceiling treatment and provides ample task and mood lighting throughout the room. The design team worked with the New York City based construction firm, Wonderworks Construction in completing the overall project which included a total renovation to the 700 square foot apartment.

Elegant and sophisticated, it's easy to see how Roughan has built an international reputation for creating signature spaces in a traditionally modern way.

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