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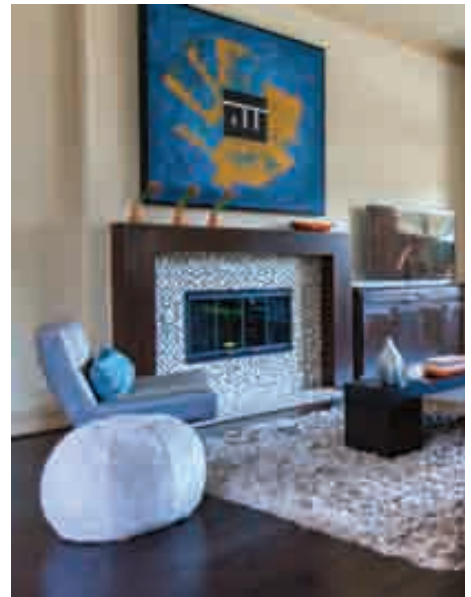
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ADD ELEMENTS OF ENERGY AND SURPRISE TO YOUR SPACES WITH BOLD BRUSHSTROKES.

If this home were an essay, there would be many exclamation points. Simple spaces and furnishings are treated with verve through texture, accents and color.

The home is a study in well-designed exuberance to meet the style appeal of the young couple who resides there.

Interior designer Abbe Fenimore of Studio Ten 25 created a room with energy and an element of surprise. These are not sleepy rooms; they grab onto you with the drama of a movie set. Silvery metallic wallpaper is given additional star treatment with a sunburst mirror. A compilation of special pieces adds interest, such as a stack of colorful books and a vase of red tulips that bring in the right color for a designed look. Other notable accents are sleek furnishings, oversized lamps and abstract art. The couple's love for entertaining is honored with a main living room and patio joined together for one united space. The home office has a unisex appeal with a classic desk, graphic rug and complementary art. Turquoise and orange is the color scheme that connects room to room. The master bedroom showcases a mystifying recipe of contradictory patterns and textures that come together to form a cohesive style.





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HOW DO YOU DEFINE THIS STYLE?

Fenimore: A predominately contemporary aesthetic with bold patterns and textures that creates a comfortable and casual feel.

WHAT DESIGN PERSONALITIES WILL IT APPEAL TO?

Fenimore: The lover of the classic contemporary aesthetic, who is drawn to sleek lines and minimal accessories mixed with bold texture, pattern and pops of bright color.

WHERE DO PERSONAL PIECES FIT INTO TODAY'S HOME?

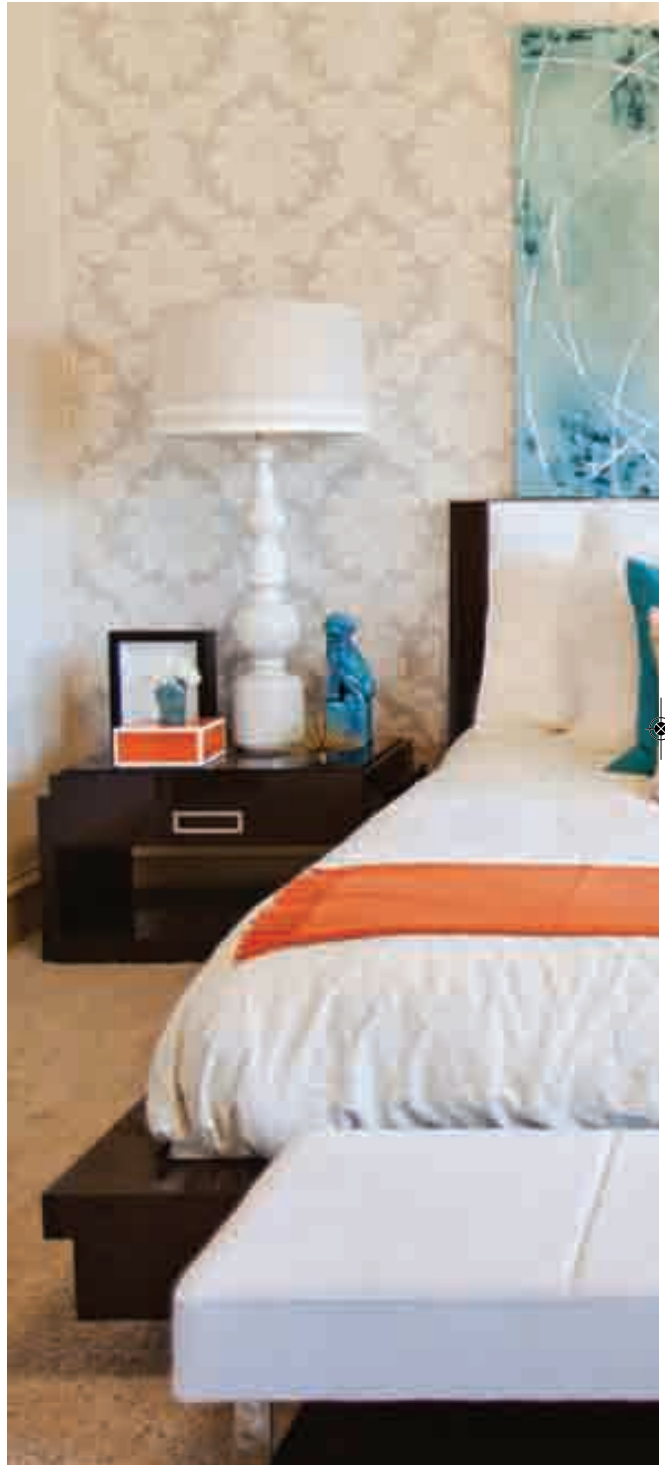
Fenimore: I love having personal pieces during the design development phase of a project, as they often serve as inspiration for the home's final look when it comes to color and selecting the main pieces. Finding a place for pieces with sentimental meaning is always important and, if thoughtfully planned, can complement the overall scheme nicely.

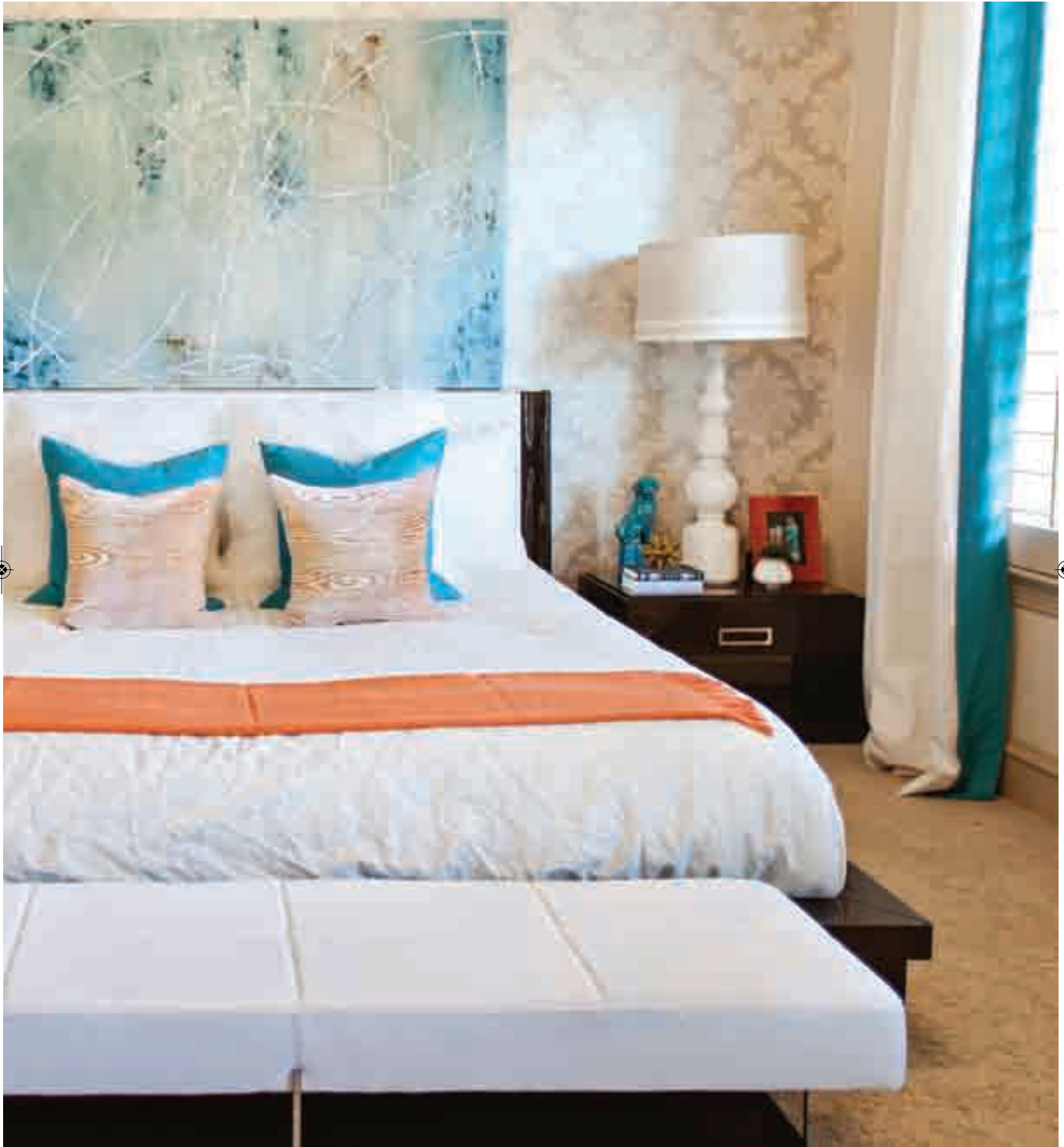
WHAT ARE THE BEST ACCENTS TO STYLE A ROOM?

Fenimore: Even basic furniture pieces can create a whole new life in a room when spruced up with throw pillows, lamps and art. If you don't have the budget to completely redesign a room, try rearranging the layout, while relocating art and lighting. Or try updating pillows or adding a rug to incorporate new color and pattern.

HOW DOES THE COLOR SCHEME FIGURE INTO THE DESIGN?

Fenimore: I start every design process with basic pieces, as they make adding color and pattern a breeze. I am a fan of layering, and in all of my designs you'll see plenty of texture and pattern with the right pops of color. When it comes to selecting these elements for the room, I focus on colors that my client either currently loves or is open to incorporating. Most of the time, we find a fabric or pattern that serves as a focal point for the room's color palette.







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