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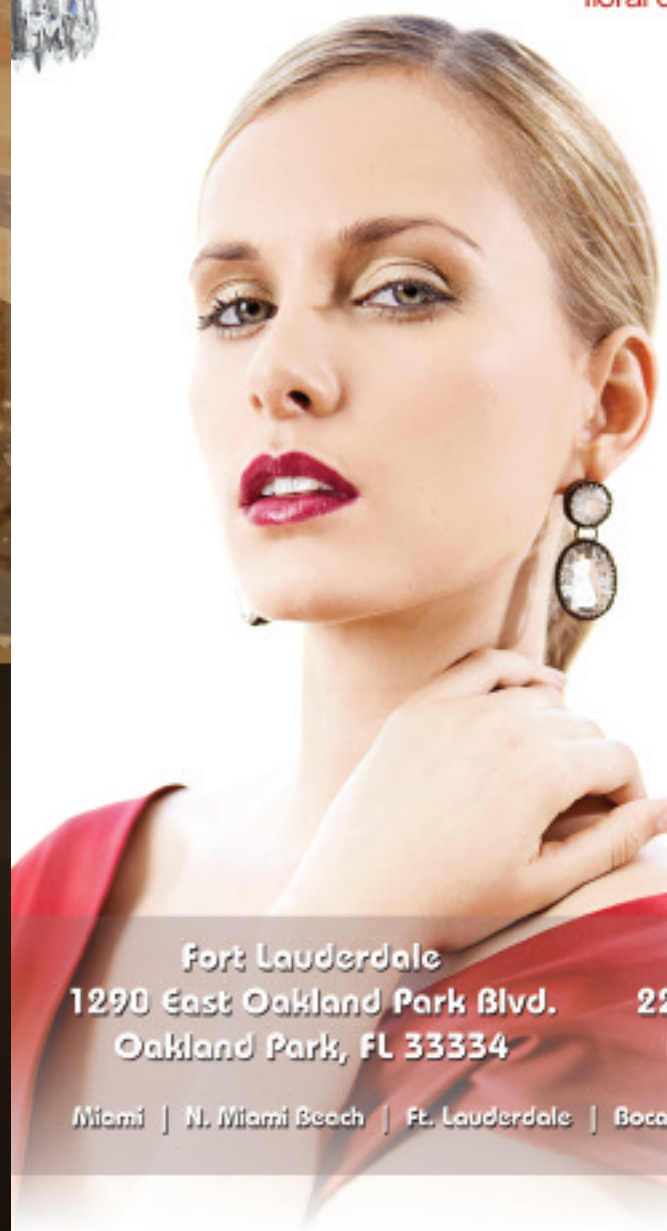
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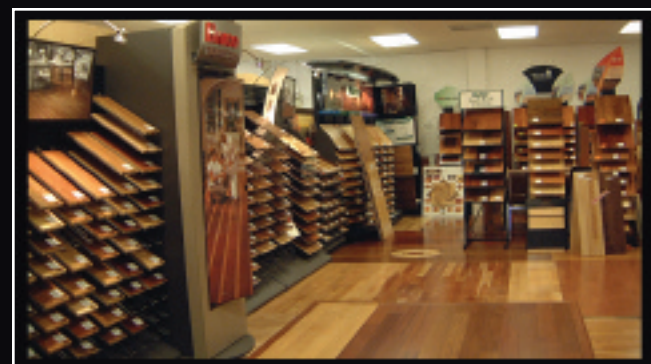
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Everything began with a phone call a few years ago from a lovely family residing in a beautiful Parkland neighborhood. They had sought after me for the decoration of their son's room and the improvement of a few other areas in their home. I view every project as an opportunity to create something truly special for my clients. One day they popped the question, "is there anything different that you would do or modify within our home"? I paused and reviewed my thoughts that had been stewing in my mind from day one. Like a steak dangling in front of a tiger, I said, "yes, as a matter of fact, there is something I would change... Everything!" I started the new renovation of their home in early 2013 in collaboration with their general contractor.

Sherri Goode's goal was to take the interiors of her client's HOME and turn it into a "warm, cozy, yet elegant, functional environment" for her clients. A home that they could truly call home. The time frame for this project began in stages, but the main renovation, from start to finish was tight one...thirty days!

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The family room had to be spectacular, says Goode! It is where the family spends the majority of their time. The motorized sectional sofa was made out of high quality Scandinavian Elmo leather. Flanked by a custom oversized walnut and goatskin cocktail table. The hand stitched cowhide rug added another layer of texture onto the Italian porcelain tile floors that were installed throughout the main living areas. A custom entertainment center was built to accommodate the needs of her client. A myriad of finishes were used to create a unique look. The contrast of the ledger stone with the venetian plaster finish on the walls created a warm and eclectic feel. The Antonini Opal slab draped the top of the wenge custom media cabinet. If this is not enough drama for you then maybe the fireplace that is flanked under the television and floating glass wall art will keep your attention.

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The dining room, another opulent space is divided by an open cut out wall that separates the foyer. The Fine Art chandelier hangs elegantly over the marble and stone dining table . The window treatments consist of metallic sheers hanging from a solid wood pole with solid rings and obilesque shaped finials . Peaking through the open cut out that divides the dining and the foyer hangs a Corbett chandelier “Modern in nature” that accents well in front of the new iron French doors with rain glass inserts.

The formal living room, is an open space that allows for great entertaining. The oversized large cowhide and leather chairs floating around the Theodore Alexander cocktail table add just enough warmth and balance to the room. The Fergusson Copeland velvet sofa brings the myriad of textures warmth to the space. The reflections of the spiral crystal chandelier cast iridescent hues into the room and add just enough spark to break the traditional motif and create an eclectic feel.

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The kitchen was a very important space in this renovation. It has now doubled in size from the original plans which created more functional task-working space. The espresso finished raised panel cabinets created a beautiful contrast with the onyx counter tops and mother of pearl backspash.

Polished Chrome 8" pulls were used that added a nice contemporary element to the design. As you can see, the counter space is designed at one level to enjoy a meal at counter height vs bar height. Another requirement that needed to be filled was to have a functional island large enough to store dishes as well as non perishable foods. In this island all the drawers and doors are soft closing with pull outs. Fine Art lighting was used in this space to keep a warm toned feel to the kitchen.

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As you enter the master suite you are mesmerized by what you see. Is it the Fine Art arc crystal chandelier or the Phillips collection sculpture over the headboard?

The modern bed is by Ferguson Copeland and is upholstered in faux leather to coordinate with the faux leather ottomans. The oversized chests are by Swaim which allows for maximum storage and maximum design. Everywhere you turn is a spectacular custom piece of furniture. The custom bedding coordinates with the custom window treatments. The walls were finished in Venetian Plaster to coordinate with the color wash finish in the tray ceiling. Italian porcelain wood look tile was installed in a random configuration to create length and size to the master suite.

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The master bath, a true space that emits opulence! Another crystal flush mount chandelier suspended over the Almalfi Coast tub reflects beauty throughout. The custom made Austrian sheer window treatment is the back drop for the space. The custom beveled cut mirrors are boarder with glass and marble mosaics. In the shower reveals a porcelain mural of flowers running up the wall to coincide with the porcelain Italian tiled floors. Reflections appear through out all sides of the space. The common theme used

throughout the interior was accomplished by using multiple textures, with warm tones that had a reflective and shimmering finish on the walls. The combination of the art and the unique accessories emitted warmth within the space that provided the level of luxury and sophistication my clients desired. My clients were genuine and can be described as true class acts - unpretentious in nature with true impeccable taste. - END -

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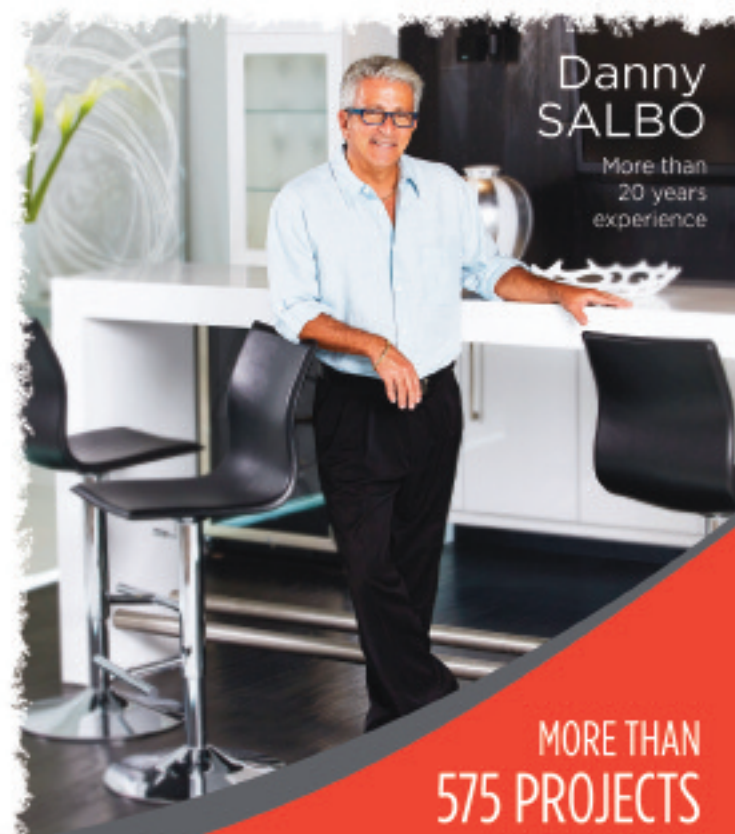
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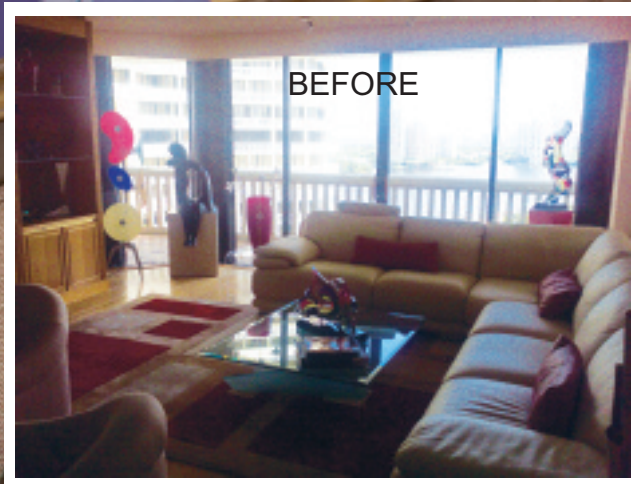
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When Stuart Geller was ready for a new home, he knew exactly what he wanted – a well-positioned apartment with to-die-for views in a 22-year-old property where he'd already completed six renovation projects. Yes, there were challenges – but Geller, a licensed designer with decades of experience, saw them as golden opportunities. "The apartment was ugly and intimidated other buyers," he says, "but it boasts beautiful north-east views on one side and a magnificent cityscape to the west. I could visualize all the possibilities."

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In the dining room, Geller removed the existing drop ceilings, replacing them with new ceilings six inches higher and creating an opportunity to use linear AC vents with a complete new lighting system and updated fire sprinklers. The original floors were refinished in coffee-bean brown. On the right, he added accoutrements to uninspired space and created a bar area for entertaining. Here, he was able to introduce his partner Mark's antique glass panels and a sculpture niche. On the left, soft lighting illuminates panels of antique parchment Mark rescued from an estate that was being demolished on Long Island's north shore.

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BEFORE



Geller transformed what was once an unimaginative space into an inviting formal entry/dressing area.

"The space is now clearly defined," he notes, "and gave me an opportunity to incorporate the striking French horn lighting fixture from London as well as to create an architectural node." The raised octagonal ceiling is echoed in the octagonal marble inset in the floor. An English fusee clock adds interest to a small wall space. The antique oval frame on the left holds a picture of Geller's grandfather taken during World War II.

"It's all about energy and alignment," says Geller, who is well-known for his ability to transform raw or unappealing spaces into gracious homes that reflect his clients' wishes and accommodate their lifestyles. "I have been very fortunate that for quite a few years now I have been able to pick the projects that appeal to me. I like projects that are interesting, and working for clients who are very positive individuals. When someone is committed to making something beautiful, that positive energy fills their home with joy. "Let's put it this way: I am doing what I love, and I love what I do."

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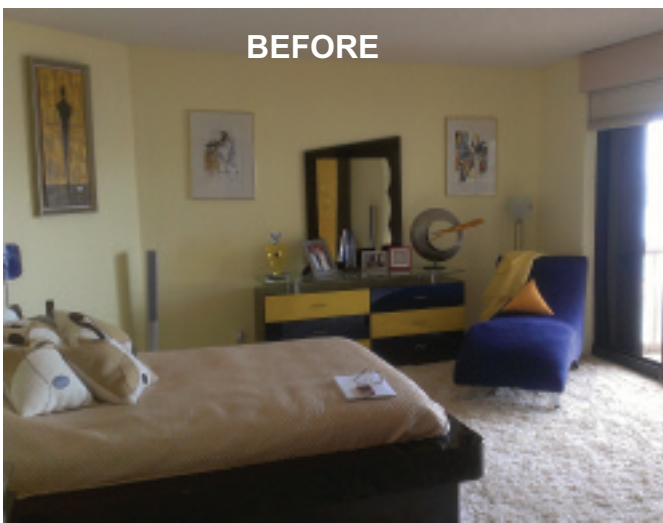


When it came to remodeling the master bedroom, the first challenge was spatial: its angled walls would not accommodate a king-size bed and two generous nightstands facing a wall of floor-to-ceiling windows that look straight out to spectacular water view. Geller moved the walls two feet and redefined the space with custom moldings and perimeter lighting that banishes dark corners and accentuates the many mementoes from his world travels gracing the walls.

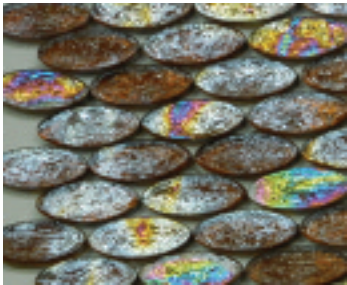
The two chairs facing the bed add another personal touch. "Mark grew up with those chairs," Geller explains. Completely refinished and reupholstered, they complement their new surroundings. Geller now has a completely redesigned home of more than 2,600 square feet with three terraces, three bedrooms and three and a half baths, on an upper floor of one of Williams Island's most desirable buildings. Does he ever wish he'd opted for new construction instead? "Absolutely not!" he says. "There are so many advantages to a well-constructed older building. They have great value, and at the same time, the taxes are much lower than in new construction.

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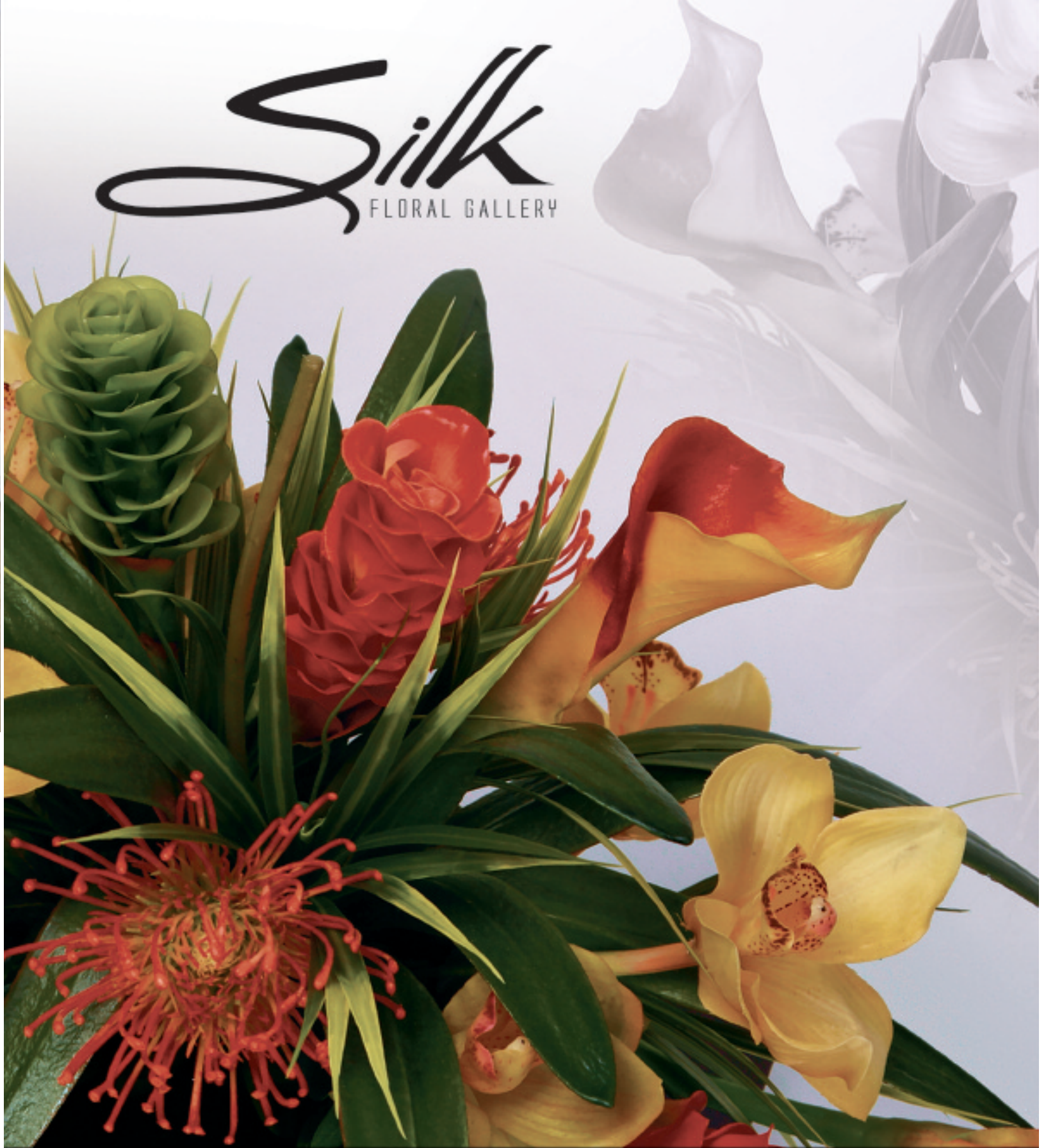
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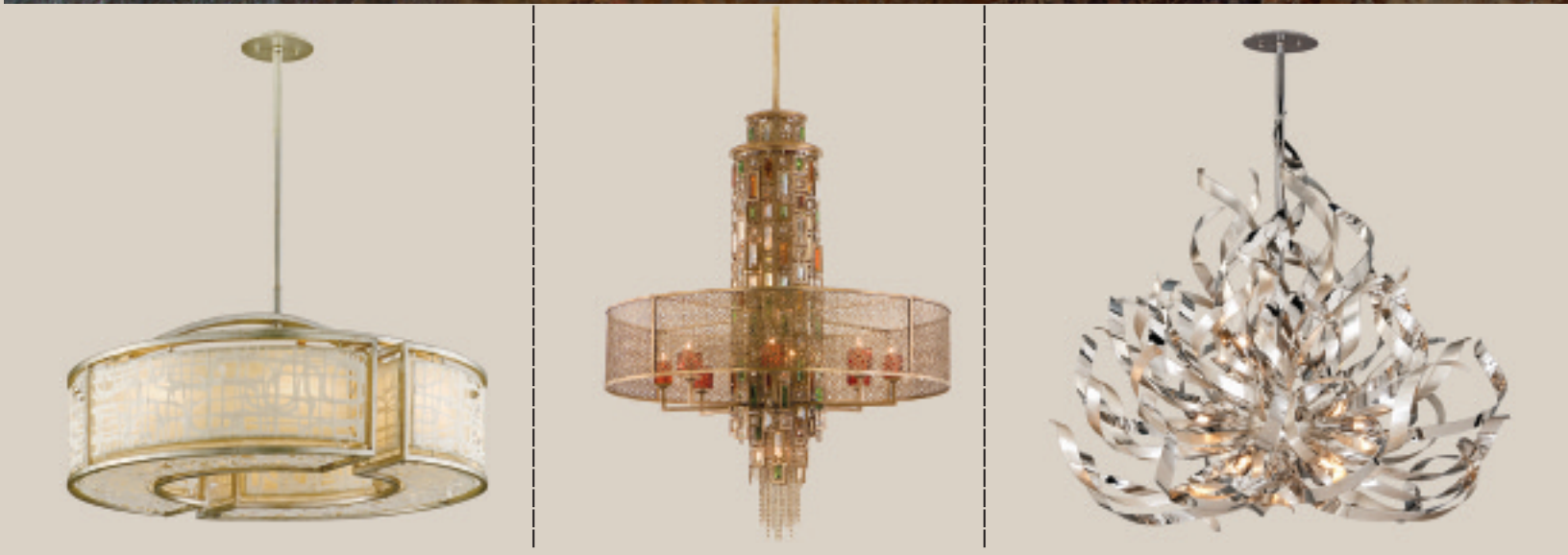
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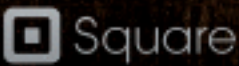
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IRS SECRETS YOU SHOULD KNOW

By Lance Wallach, National Society of Accountants speaker of the year.

The government needs money. Hopefully, after you read this article, they will not get any more of yours. The IRS has learned that small busi-

nesses give them the best results on audits with the least effort on their part. The IRS has decided to go where they think the cheating is taking place.

Unfortunately, they think that you and your small business are not paying your fair share. If you do not have a small business only about half of this article will apply to you. Later in the article I will discuss how the IRS computer system reviews people tax returns for audit, and how to prevent them from auditing you.

The IRS has increased audits of small businesses by fifty (50) percent, so you need to learn how to better protect yourself. The next few paragraphs apply to everyone, even YOU. If you are afraid of an audit, you should be. Most of what is in the next three paragraphs is what you should NOT do. Have a lot of zeros after the numbers on the return. Amend the return. Take a low salary while operating as an S corporation or as a sole expensive house, or otherwise in visible opulence, while taking a low salary. That way, the IRS wonders how you can afford that house, car, etc. Let me clarify the statement in the preceding paragraph about having a lot of zeros after numbers on a tax return. I do not mean high figures, since you must report income truthfully, of course. What I mean is that numbers that are too round lead IRS agents to think "estimate", and this leads to unnecessary attention and scrutiny. For example let's say you want to take a tax deduction for something, say your mortgage payment or property taxes. Deduct the exact number, but not if it has a zero or two at the end. When the IRS computer system sees a tax return with lots of zeros at the end of numbers, it may select your return. Then an IRS employee will look closely at your return to see if it should be audited. If your tax return shows the property taxes at 9000, the mortgage interest deduction at 7000 etc. the IRS computer system will probably select your return for audit.

More things to watch out for.

Make sure that your retirement plan is updated as the law changes. Hire independent contractors, illegals, etc. Make use of an abusive tax shelter and/or listed transaction as a vehicle to reduce taxes. Seriously, you may be surprised to learn that many popular retirement and life insurance employee benefit plans fall into these categories. If you are in a listed transaction, accountants now must report your participation to the IRS or face potential monetary fines and penalties in six figures, up to \$200,000. Accountants and other tax return preparers also face increased penalties and scrutiny if

clients take questionable tax positions or deductions. The upshot of all of this is that your activities, even if you are unaware that they are questionable, are increasingly likely to attract the Service's attention, making you a likely audit target.

Even now, there are still creative ways to reduce taxes and, for



good measure, insurance costs. You might try renting a captive insurance company, which often greatly reduces both taxes and insurance premiums. Use of a health savings account can accomplish the same goals. Life insurance costs can be reduced through the use of a technique known as the insurance swapout process. Do you want to obtain insurance without a cash outlay? Use non-recourse loans. And, you can turn your life insurance into cash that you can use, without dying, by use of a life settlement.

These are just some techniques that, by applying just a few of them, could save you thousands or even more. Above all, it is most important to find an accountant who acts as your tax protector instead of an IRS collection agent. Most accountants seem to simply return your tax return with instructions about how much to pay and where to send it. Only if pressed will they even be bothered to try to explain anything. You have to do better than that. *This article was contributed by Lance Wallach and can be reached at (516)938-5007-END-*

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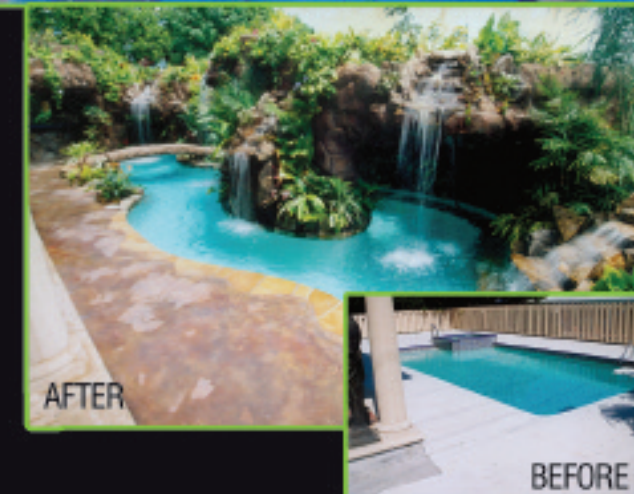


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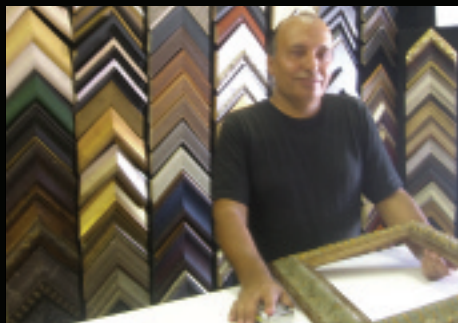
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