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VARIETY SHOW

A CREATIVE FAMILY HOME IN LONDON / THE PRIVATE ROOMS
OF A GRAND CUMBRIAN HOUSE / SKY-HIGH LIVING IN NEW YORK



FROM TOP Juliette Byrne, Jonathan Tuckey, Kamini Ezralow



JONATHAN TUCKEY



His architectural-design practice has won numerous awards; in 2014 it was shortlisted for the RICS Building Conservation Award. Jonathan Tuckey's look may be cool and pared down, but there's also a sensitive focus on natural materials, and a confident eye for maximising space. In autumn 2014, 'Urban Shed', the practice's concept for an industrial-style family home, was featured on Channel 4's *Grand Designs*.

Background Jonathan founded his practice in 2001, having worked for David Chipperfield Architects and Fletcher Priest Architects. There is a team of 15 designers and architects at the W10 studio, with an emphasis on 'bringing new life to old buildings and remodelling existing buildings for new uses'.

Projects Exciting ongoing projects include the refurbishment of the iconic shop Egg in Knightsbridge and the interior architectural design for apartments at the King's Cross Gasholder Triplet project. Other commissions include the remodelling of a barn in Hammersmith and the interior of a Grade II-listed building in Westminster.

Which interior designer would you hire? 'Niki Turner (turnerdirectory.com), because her background and work as a theatre designer allows her to approach interiors projects with a fresh pair of eyes. Her solutions have a raw quality unhindered by adherence to the latest thing.'

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JULIETTE BYRNE



Her award-winning Chelsea practice goes from strength to strength, focusing on high-end homes for private clients and property developers. Juliette Byrne prides herself on creating individual designs, thoughtfully mixing clients' existing pieces with bespoke items. Her own-brand candles are a nice touch for clients moving in.

Background Juliette has more than 25 years' experience in the industry, having trained at the Chelsea School of Art and with Conran. She set up her own business in 1988 and now she and four full-time designers make for a highly efficient team.

JULIETTE TAKES CARE TO MIX CLIENTS' EXISTING FURNITURE WITH BESPOKE ITEMS

Projects The team works in the UK and internationally; there's also a turnkey service for super-busy clients. Among current commissions are a Grade I-listed property in Regent's Park, including the restoration of original features; the redesign of a Grade II-listed house, also in Regent's Park, featuring a glazed gallery for the clients' art collection; and a penthouse in Knightsbridge, untouched since the Sixties.

Which interior designer would you hire? 'Catherine Pawson is elegant and stylish and everything is done effortlessly and efficiently.'

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KAMINI EZRALOW



NEW ENTRY

A true internationalist, Kamini Ezralow is fluent in French and German and has clients across Europe and the Middle East. She is also a perfectionist: furnishings are exquisitely detailed, unusual textures are carefully interwoven into schemes, and patterns are echoed, not matched. 'My design philosophy creates a sense of harmony and flow in a space,' she says.

Background With roots in India and South Africa, Kamini grew up in Hong Kong, and attended university in London followed by the Inchbald School of Design. She subsequently

set up design practices in Hong Kong and LA. After six years with Intarya, she launched her firm in 2011. Her elegant own-design Bronze furniture collection launched in 2013 and her Couture Cushion collection in 2014.

Projects Kamini and a team of four are working on apartments in Switzerland and Dubai, two houses and a penthouse in London, and a palace in Saudi Arabia. They recently finished the Marbella Club resort in Spain.

Most inspiring place? 'I love the old and new creating a colourful canvas: New York, Rome, Jerusalem and London always inspire me.'

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