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Coming up with our first A-List of 25 interior designers wasn't easy. The editors of ELLE DECOR spent weeks sifting, sorting, discussing, and examining. We studied photographs, paged through back issues, and navigated websites. We argued—constructive, make that conversed in lively fashion—late into the night. The goal was to produce a list of authentic bedfellows in the U.S., whose names reflect the passions of ELLE DECOR—high style, serious comfort, inspired ideas—and whose innovative approach to the art of decoration will be studied for generations. We've also included a shortlist of five up-and-coming interior designers we think are on their way to influencing the way you live, emerging talents you might not have heard of yet but whose intriguing spaces promise bright futures.

These lists are only the beginning, however. At [elledecor.com](http://elledecor.com) you will soon find more information on each of these 30 in our new Designer Registry, as well as our selection of design-focused bloggers, those talents whose work is already so prominent and influential that their status is unquestioned.

Each year ELLE DECOR's A-List will grow richer and more diverse. Because if there's one thing we know, it's that design never stops getting better. So without further ado, welcome to our magazine's inaugural salute to America's best and brightest, from thriving established to the rising stars. And if you think we've overlooked an inspiring designer or design firm, let us know. On ELLE DECOR's A-List, there's always room for more.

A Manhattan living area.



## < VICENTE WOLF

A designer who is also an admired photographer and style blogger, the Cuba-born Wolf brings a focused approach to his interiors, conjuring airy, modern-minded spaces ready for their close-up. Many of the finest have a global-glam attitude, featuring blue-chip 20th-century furniture icons, a sprinkling of baroque antiques, Asian elements, and ethnographic treasures. He is the author of three books, including the forthcoming *Lifting the Curtain on Design* (The Monacelli Press, 2010). [vicentewolf.com](http://vicentewolf.com)