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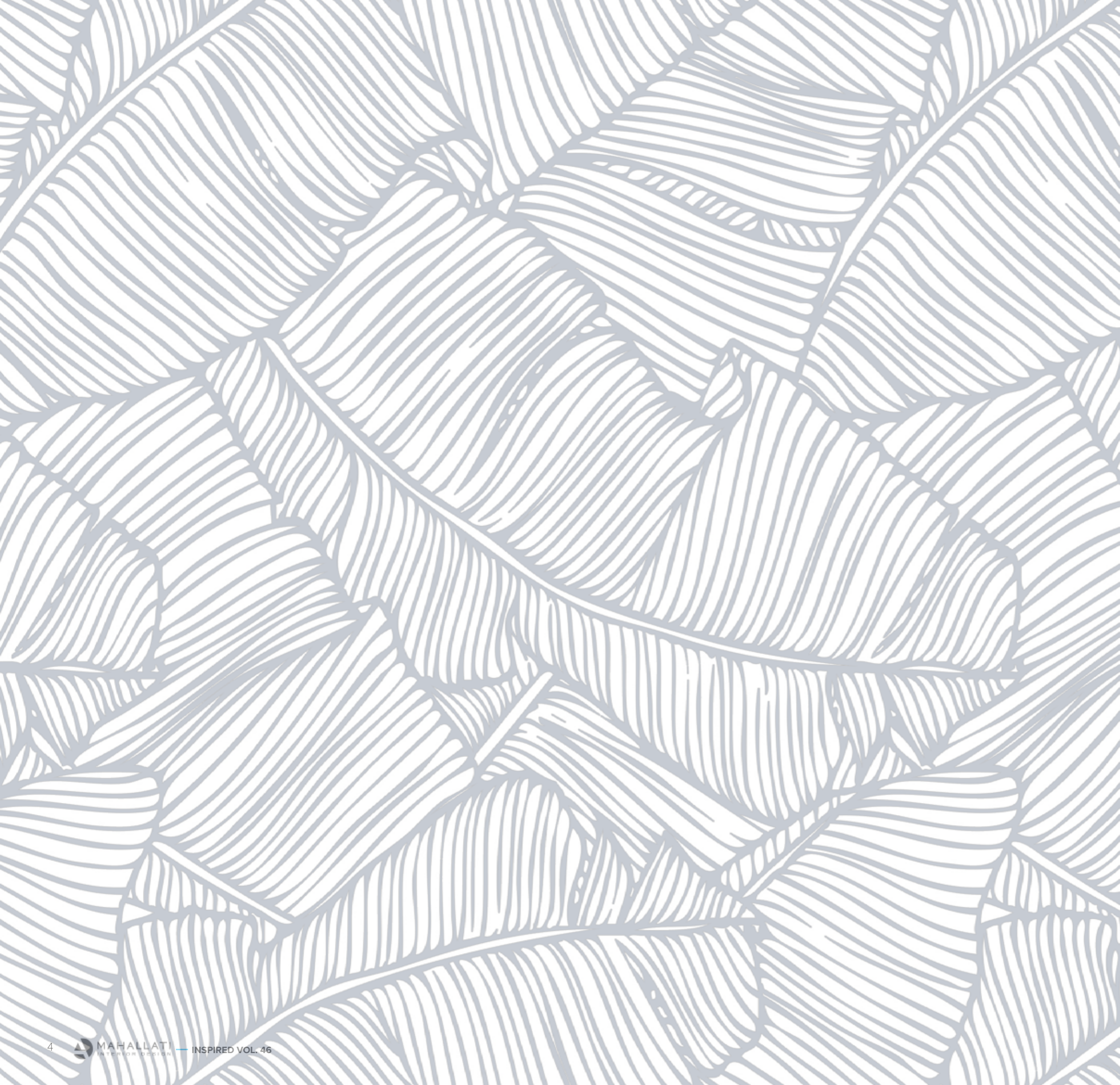


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# LAKE HOUSE DESIGNS



## THAT ARE FULL OF CHARM

*Proof that a rustic aesthetic can  
be sophisticated.*

Designing a thoughtful lake house is all about charm. Rustic furniture, floor-to-ceiling windows, and natural materials are just a few key elements design professionals typically rely on to craft an inviting lake house. If a lake house vacation isn't on your calendar in the near future, find inspiration in these 10 stunning design schemes across the globe.



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## CANADIAN LAKE HOUSE

Creativity is evident in every aspect of this Canadian lake house designed by Sabrina Albanese. Located on the idyllic shore of Lake Simcoe, the property's sitting room is outfitted with zigzag cushions by Missoni and cushions in an animal print corduroy fabric from

Schumacher. A custom sectional in Mohair and Chenille by Sabrina Albanese Interiors, a marble patterned Anthropologie rug, rope side tables by Palacek, and a CB2 media cabinet inform the home's playful vibe.



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## SONOMA VALLEY LAKE HOUSE

Pattern and vibrant hues fill a Sonoma Valley lake house designed by Ken Fulk and architect Ken Linsteadt. Owned by a pair of tech entrepreneurs, the home's grand salon features a vintage Edward Wormley sofa for Dunbar that is upholstered in a fabric by JAB Anstoetz fabric. The Casamidy barstools have seats in a Dedar weave,

and the dining table is a Brimfield Antique Show find. Custom chandeliers by One Off Furniture and a bold green floral wallcovering by Schumacher finish the look.



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## LAKE MICHIGAN VIEWS

A Studio Gild-designed Chicago home, offering views of Lake Michigan, is the perfect retreat for a world-traveling couple. The minimalist lakeview home has an open floor plan that's beyond welcoming, thanks to comfortable seating, an understated palette, and rich textures like wool, leather, and velvet.



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## LONG ISLAND BEAUTY

Orange curtains bring drama to a neutral living room in a Long Island home overlooking Agawam Lake. Designed by Brian McCarthy, the sofa is covered in a Savel fabric. The armchairs, in an elegant Pollack jacquard, and cocktail table (background) by Vosges are both custom. The acrylic Fredrikson Stallard cocktail table (foreground) is from David Gill Gallery, and the lantern-style pendant is by Charles Edwards.

# LAKE TAHOE RETREAT

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Designer Palmer Weiss opted for floor-to-ceiling windows for a covered outdoor dining room in a Lake Tahoe retreat, featuring a ceiling sheathed in clear cedar and columns wrapped in stained Douglas fir. Weiss enhanced the room's old-world aesthetic by

furnishing the space with a dining table and chairs by Country Casual Teak. The chair cushions are in a Perennials fabric and the pillows in a Jasper stripe. A black pendant from Urban Electric Co. serves as the finishing touch.

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## BOLD CHICAGO DESIGN

For a client who loves fashion, designer Elizabeth Krueger designed a Chicago home with a mix of antiques and local art. To add a touch of glam to the living and dining areas, an oversized gilt mirror was placed between the large windows, overlooking Lake Michigan.



## MICHIGAN ESCAPE

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Floor-to-ceiling windows offer beautiful views in the sitting area of a lake house in Michigan designed by Alan Design Studio. A combination of colorful seating options inject an additional dose of personality.



## URBAN COOL

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Designer Jamie Bush and architect Cynthia Wang designed a vacation home in the woods for a Silicon Valley family. The urban cool Tahoe home features a master bedroom with an armchair and stool by Minotti, upholstered in a Holly Hunt leather, paired with a gold

Jonathan Adler side table. The bench and dresser are by Lawson-Fenning, and the drawing is by Ching Ho Cheng. The wall is painted in Bank Vault, a striking blue hue by Dunn-Edwards, and the carpet is by Decorative Carpets.





## 9 LAKESIDE VILLA

From walls adorned in dried flowers to 19th-century birdcages hanging from the ceiling, this lakeside villa in Switzerland is full of character. A wrought iron stool and a cocktail table crafted in Florence enhance the design scheme.

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## LAKE GENEVA CASTLE

A modern castle on Lake Geneva is home for Prince Emanuele Filiberto di Savoia and his wife, French actress Clotilde Courau. Eye-catching stone details and wood furniture enhance the property's earthy vibe.

10 CREATIVE

# IDEAS

TO MAKE WOOD  
PANELING COOL AGAIN

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*And not a single 70s  
stereotype in sight.*



Yes, wood paneling has a bit of a reputation. But before you write it off as a fad best left behind, consider the alternative: any trend—new or old—can be made stylish and modern with the proper approach and a good eye for design. From a bathtub clad in rich mahogany to trellis-patterned wood walls, there are a gorgeous slew of

ways to update your home with wood paneling—whether you're revamping existing walls or bringing the look into your home for the first time.

So say goodbye to the stodgy stereotypes and hello to your home's newest appeal, with 10 modern wood paneling ideas.



## 1. MODERN MAHOGANY TUB

This adobe-style home feels fresh and modern with rich wood paneling in unexpected places, including the master bath's oversized tub, encased in smooth mahogany.



## 2. FLOOR-TO-(VAULTED) CEILING

Wall paneling painted in Benjamin Moore's White Dove extends from the walls up to this bedroom's sky-high vaulted ceiling, centered with a pendant by Urban Electric Co.



### 3. TRELLIS-PATTERNED WALLS

The garden room of this New Orleans manse features wood-paneled walls in an intricate floor-to-ceiling trellis pattern, creating a visual interest while maintaining the neutral palette.



### 4. WAINSCOTTED WALLS

Wainscotted, wood-paneled walls in Farrow & Ball's Hague Blue creates a calm contrast to the punchy poppy wall covering in this lake house powder room.

## 5. WALLPAPER & WALL-PANELING



A Jasper paisley wallcovering contrasts with the pale, Knotty Cedar boards of this bedroom's pitched ceiling—a mix of styles that unite for a cozy-yet-elevated aesthetic.

## 6. GLOSSY GREEN-GRAY CEILING



A formal library was transformed into a playroom with a glossy green-gray wood-paneled ceiling, centered and illuminated by a custom mauve pendant.



## 7. UNVARNISHED BATHROOM PANELING

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## 8. ALL-AMERICAN APPEAL

A bright, wood-paneled ceiling makes this all-white kitchen feel warm and inviting—with a classic American charm that's balanced by modern upgrades.



## 9. A WARM, WOOD-PANELED WELCOME

A modern Palm Beach getaway designed by Pembroke & Ives boasts a modern stone exterior, including an inviting entrance through the warm, wood-paneled front door.

## 10. MID-CENTURY MODERN

Original wall paneling in this mid-century modern home is preserved with its classic charm, setting a warm backdrop to the cozy-yet-modern living space.

# STANDOUT



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## PAINTED KITCHEN CABINET IDEAS

*A fresh splash of color can turn  
a dull space into the kitchen of  
your dreams.*

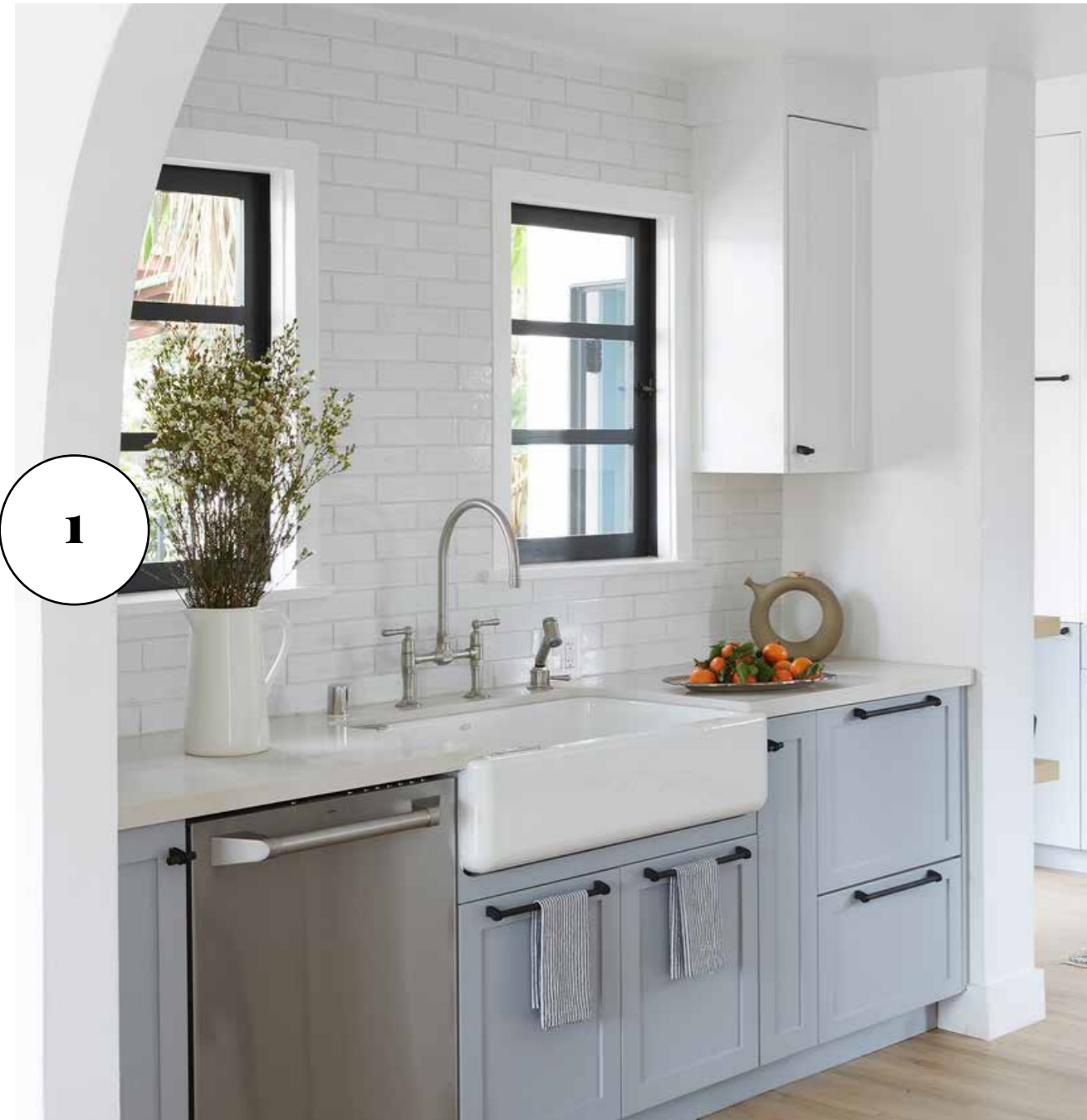
# STAIN

Ask any designer, and the challenge of refreshing a space—with minimal fuss or financial burden—is best achieved with a fresh coat of paint. If your kitchen is in need of an aesthetic revival, applying a few coats of color to dull or dated cabinets can make your space feel fresh and modern without

the commitment of a full on renovation.

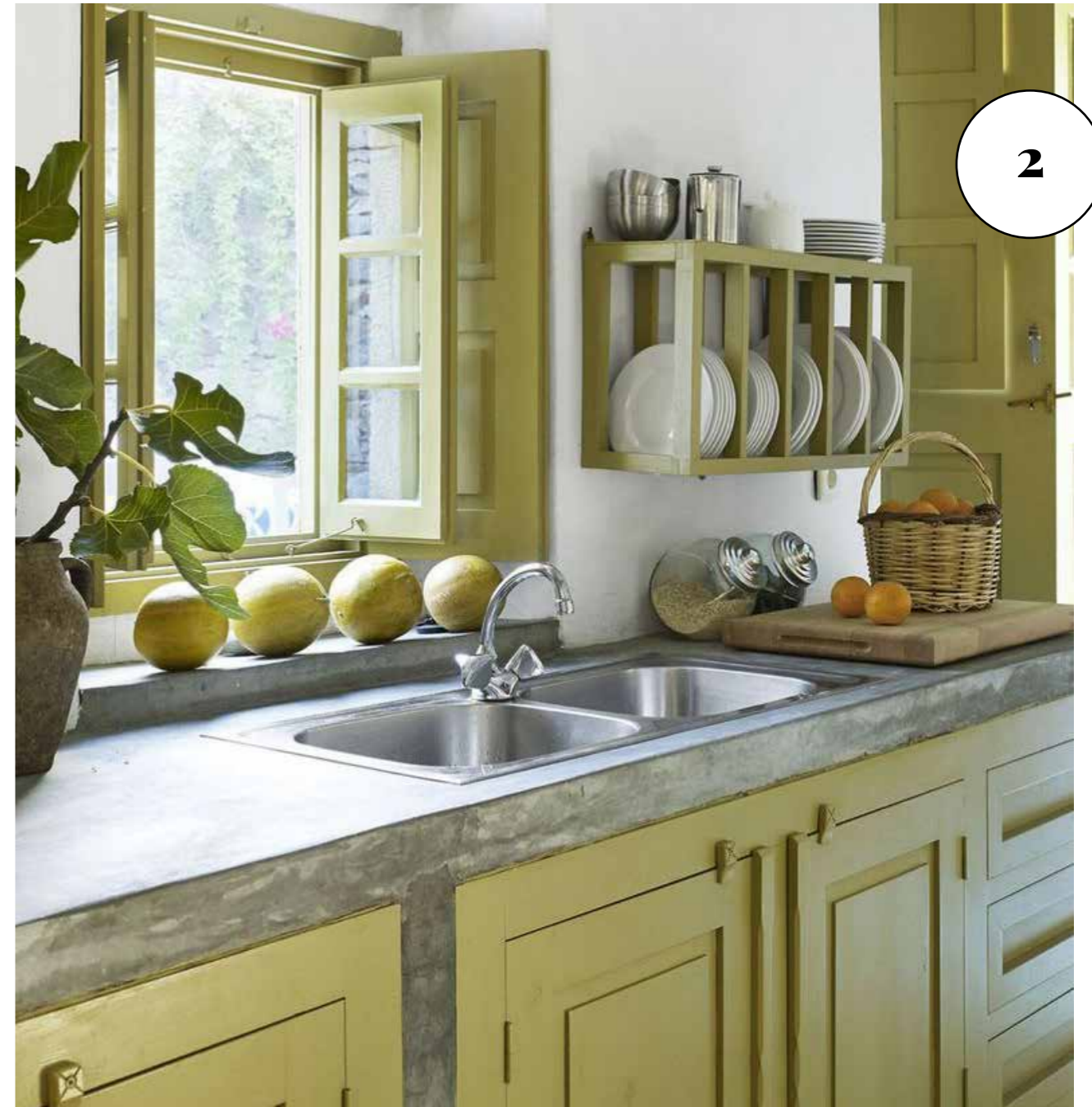
From bold and lacquered robin's egg blue, to sleek matte black, these kitchens prove the power of painted cabinets, and are full of inspiration for your next hassle-free home upgrade.





## SPANISH COLONIAL KITCHEN

In a California kitchen designed by Colette Shelton of COCOCOZY, the Spanish colonial architecture takes center stage, with crisp white walls and pale blue cabinets that bring a light dose of color into the otherwise neutral space.



## GRECIAN GETAWAY KITCHEN

A Grecian getaway's kitchen space takes inspiration from the lush mediterranean greenery, with citrus-inspired cabinetry to match the doors and window frame.

## CREATIVE CALIFORNIA KITCHEN

In a colorful San Francisco home, the Scandinavian-inspired kitchen features Ceasarstone countertops and white oak shelves, setting a bright and airy backdrop to the vibrant teal cabinetry.



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## B&W KITCHEN

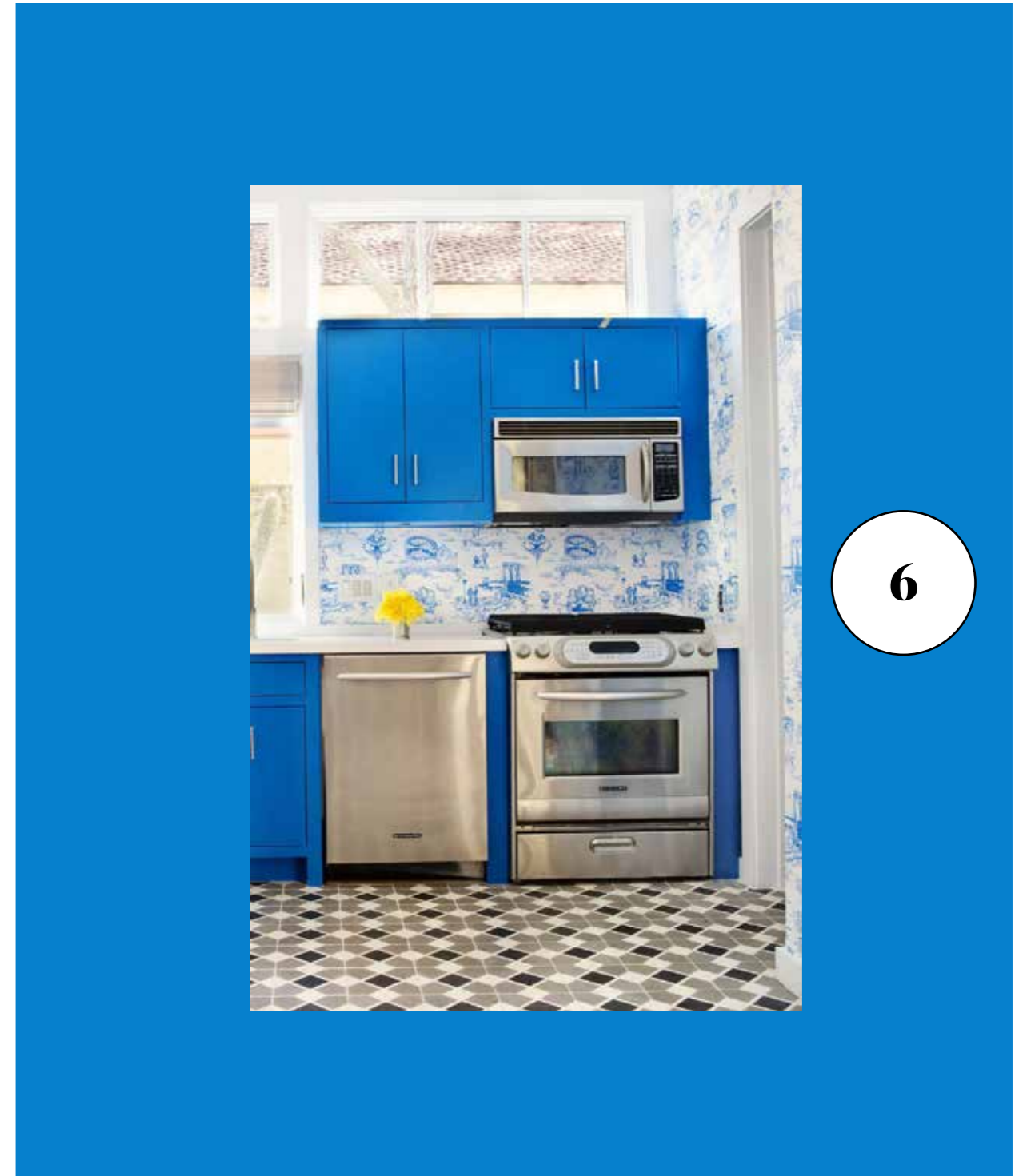
A black and white palette is anything but ordinary in this Lower East Side condo, with cabinets painted in a matte, jet black, creating a stark (yet comfortable) contrast.



## MAXIMALIST MANSE KITCHEN

In the maximalist manse of Too Faced founders Jerrrod Blandino and Jeremy Johnson, light, bright blue-painted cabinetry brings a welcoming sophistication to the formal, yet modern kitchen.

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## PETITE POOL HOUSE KITCHEN

A petite pool house kitchen fuses the traditional look of toile with modern, glossy blue cabinetry.



## CATSKILLS RETREAT KITCHEN

In the kitchen of Amanda Seyfried's Catskills retreat, hexagonal tiles wrap around a wood-burning stove, with cabinets and a refrigerator painted in a cozy sage shade.



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## PUNCHY PURPLE KITCHEN

A streamlined kitchen seamlessly blends high-gloss purple cabinetry with a sleek foundation and neutral shades.



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## MOODY LAKE HOUSE KITCHEN

In the kitchen of this modern Canadian lake house, the rich, moody tones of the cabinetry pair with brass fixtures and a dramatic scallop backsplash, creating an elevated warmth in the family-centric space.



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## MODERN EMERALD KITCHEN

In this modern cooking space, the industrial look of exposed beams and brick are given a colorful kick with rich emerald cabinetry.

DESIGNER TRICKS FOR

# BRIGHTENING UP A DARK ROOM

Just because a room lacks an abundance of natural light (hello, apartment dwellers), doesn't mean you have to settle for living in a dark space around the clock. Believe it or not, this is a fairly common dilemma that top interior designers solve for all the time. While a major renovation can certainly correct the issue, thankfully, it's not the only option you have. There are tried-and-true decorating tricks that designers rely on to brighten up a dark room.

A well-lit space isn't just more inviting—it can also improve your overall wellbeing. A bright, airy home can help boost your mood and lower your stress level. To get you started on transforming your home into a light-filled oasis, we rounded up some of our favorite decorating tricks. From adding simple accessories to considering upgrades to your ceiling or wood flooring, there are a variety of options you can consider to make your home feel sunnier and more inviting.





## EMBRACE MAXIMALISM

If an all-neutral room is not your style, there's no need to worry. Going for a bold accent wall and a palette of daring hues, like this design by Mary McDonald, can energize a room and make it appear brighter.



## TRY A HIGH- GLOSS CEILING

One of the best ways to bring more light into a room is with a high-gloss paint color, and a ceiling is the perfect spot to experiment with this design choice. A glossy ceiling finish reflects light well, and it adds an unexpected element to a room.



## CONSIDER LIGHT WOOD FLOORING

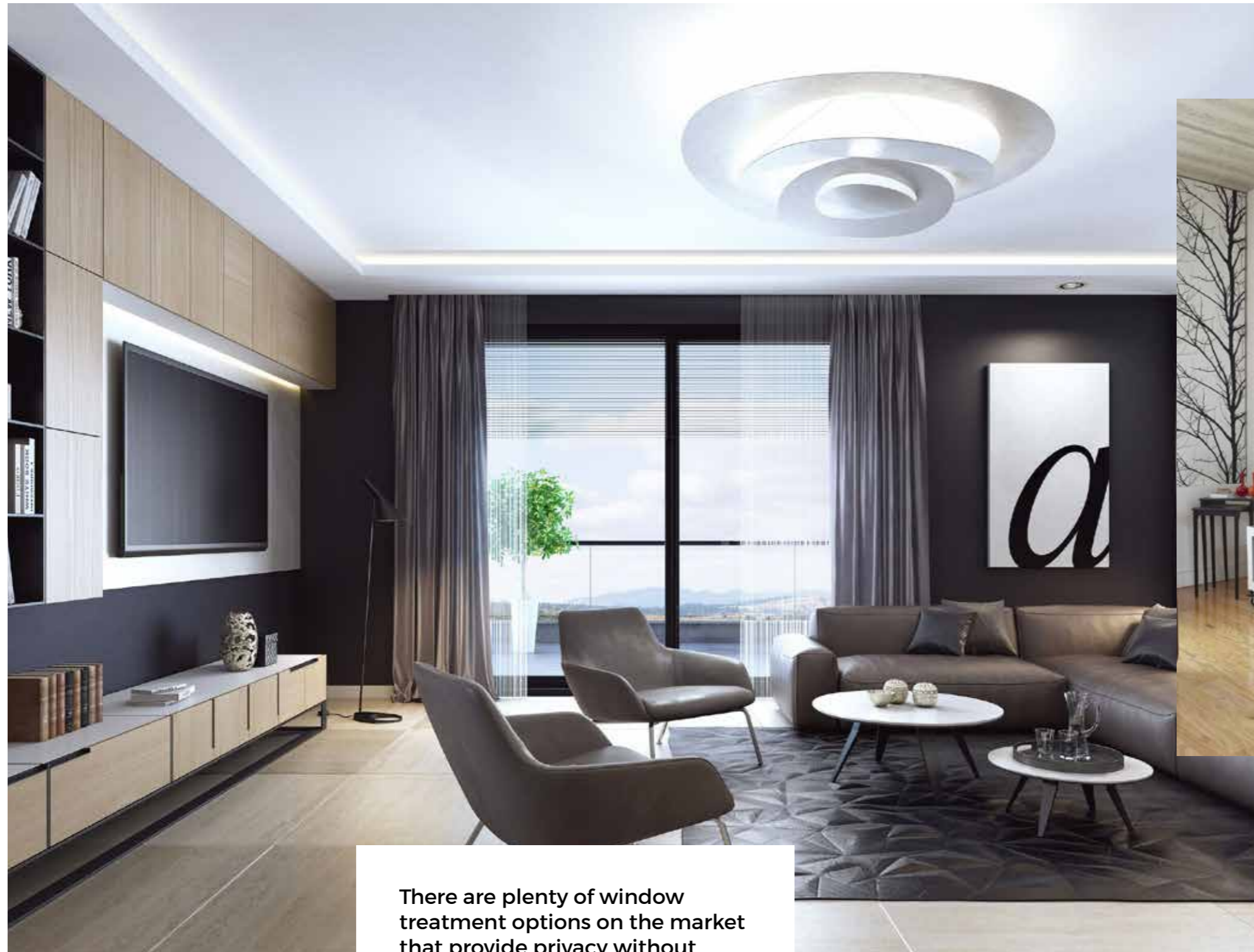
When a space is in need of additional light, it's best to choose light wood flooring to brighten up the room. Light stains are also perfect for high-traffic areas since they're better at masking scratches.



## EMBRACE THE POWER OF A COLORFUL RUG

A large, colorful area rug is not just a solution for defining a specific area in a home. It can also be used to inject personality into a room and show off your aesthetic.





## NIX THE HEAVY CURTAINS

There are plenty of window treatment options on the market that provide privacy without turning your abode into a vampire's lair. Get rid of heavy, dark curtains that absorb light, and instead opt for translucent shades that allow sunshine to spread throughout the room.



Double the amount of sunlight in your room by allowing it to bounce off reflective surfaces. Hang a large mirror directly across from the largest window in your room, or arrange an array of smaller mirrors to help brighten a dark staircase, suggests Houzz.

## HANG PLENTY OF MIRRORS





## ADD METALLICS

Incorporating shimmery gold or silver accessories is an easy way to transform a dark and dreary space. The simple addition of a metallic mirror, light fixture, piece of artwork, or even a decorative object has a way of reflecting light and making a design scheme feel more luxurious.

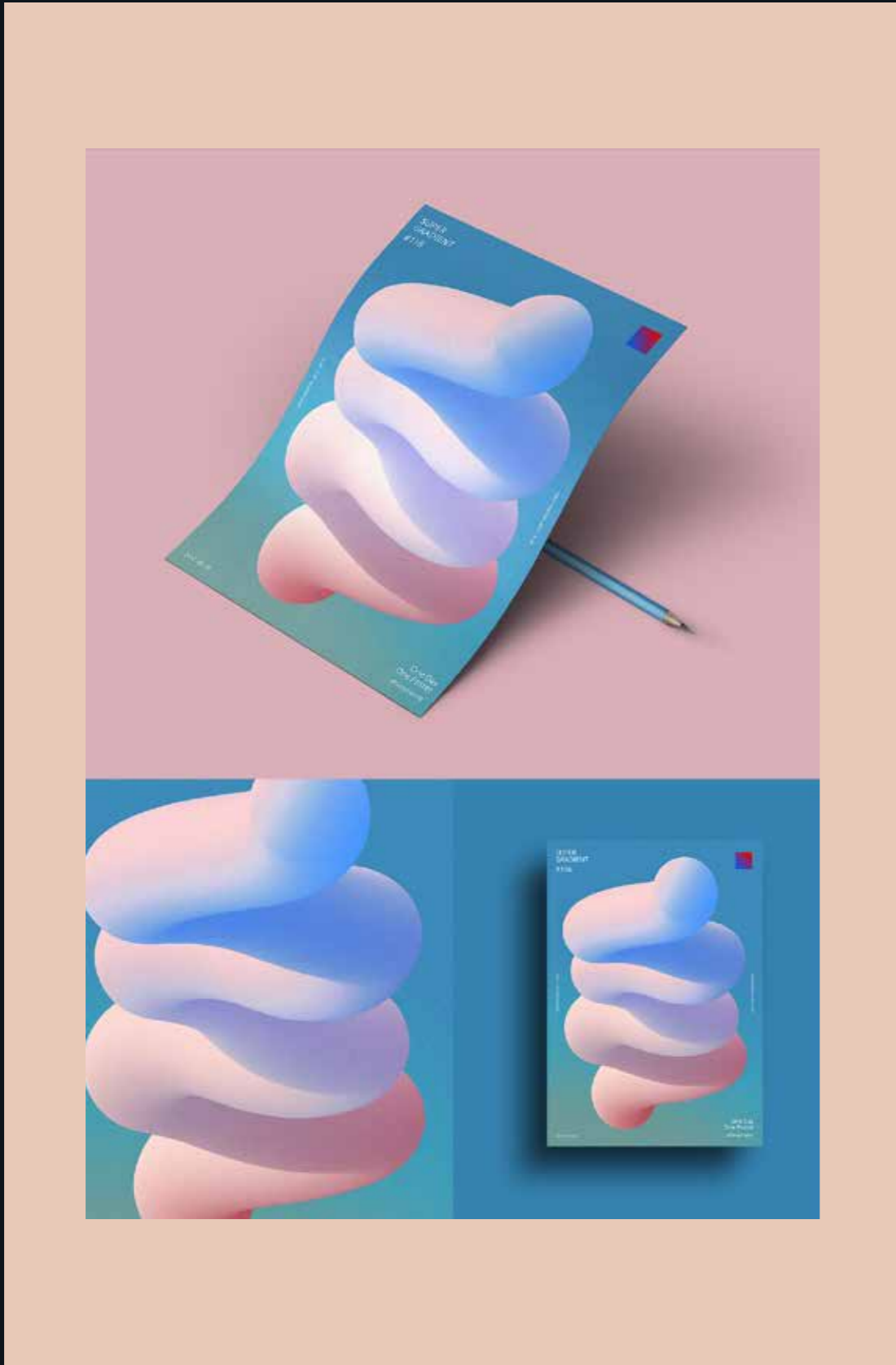


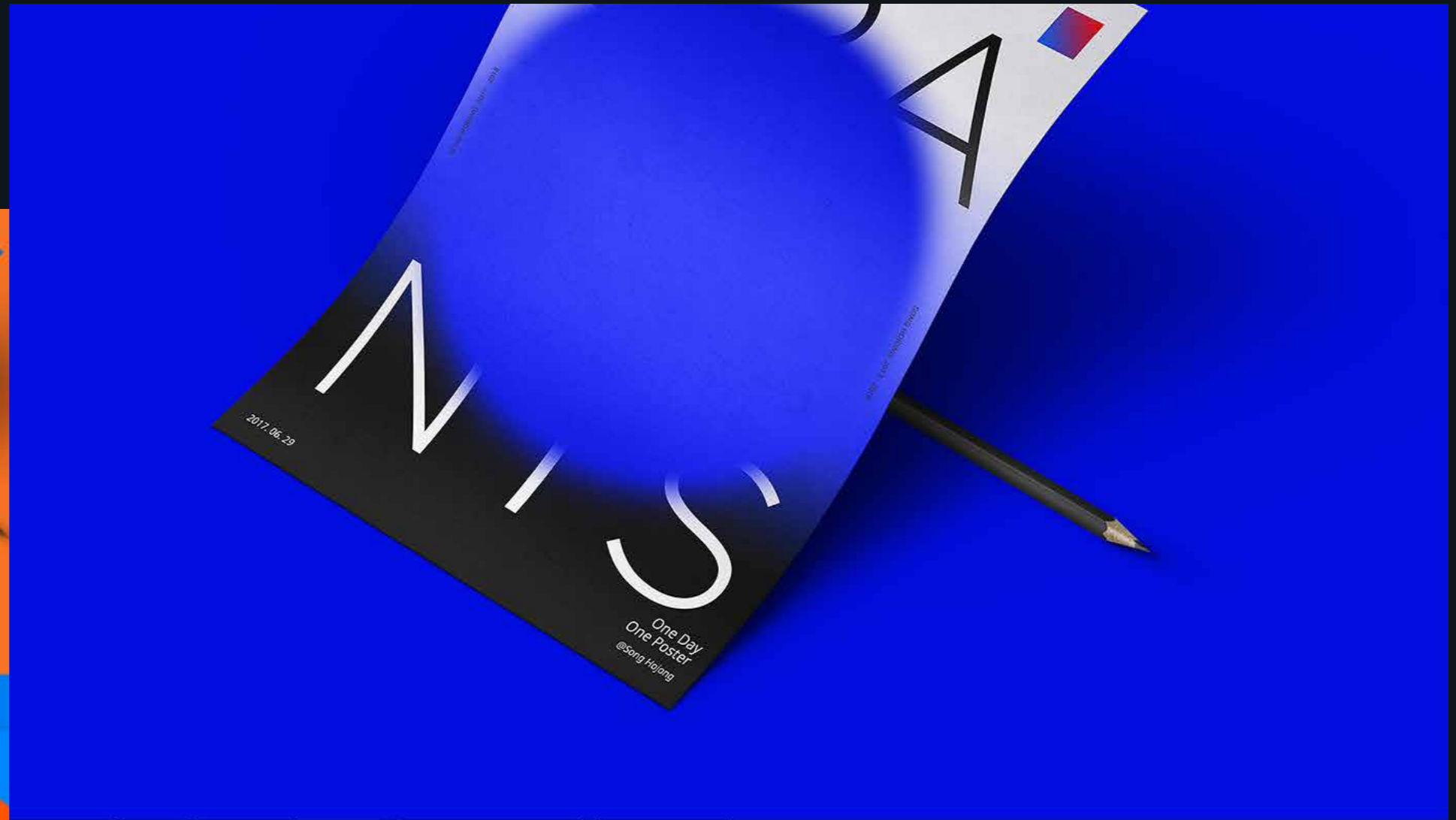
## TRIM THE TREES BY YOUR WINDOWS

If light can't reach your window, it certainly won't brighten your room. Make sure any bushes or trees cushioning your windows are trimmed regularly, and avoid planting trees on the southern side of your home (as Scandinavian Home Staging explains, the sun will be too high for the trees to provide shade in the summer, and in the winter, the foliage will block your windows from solar warmth).

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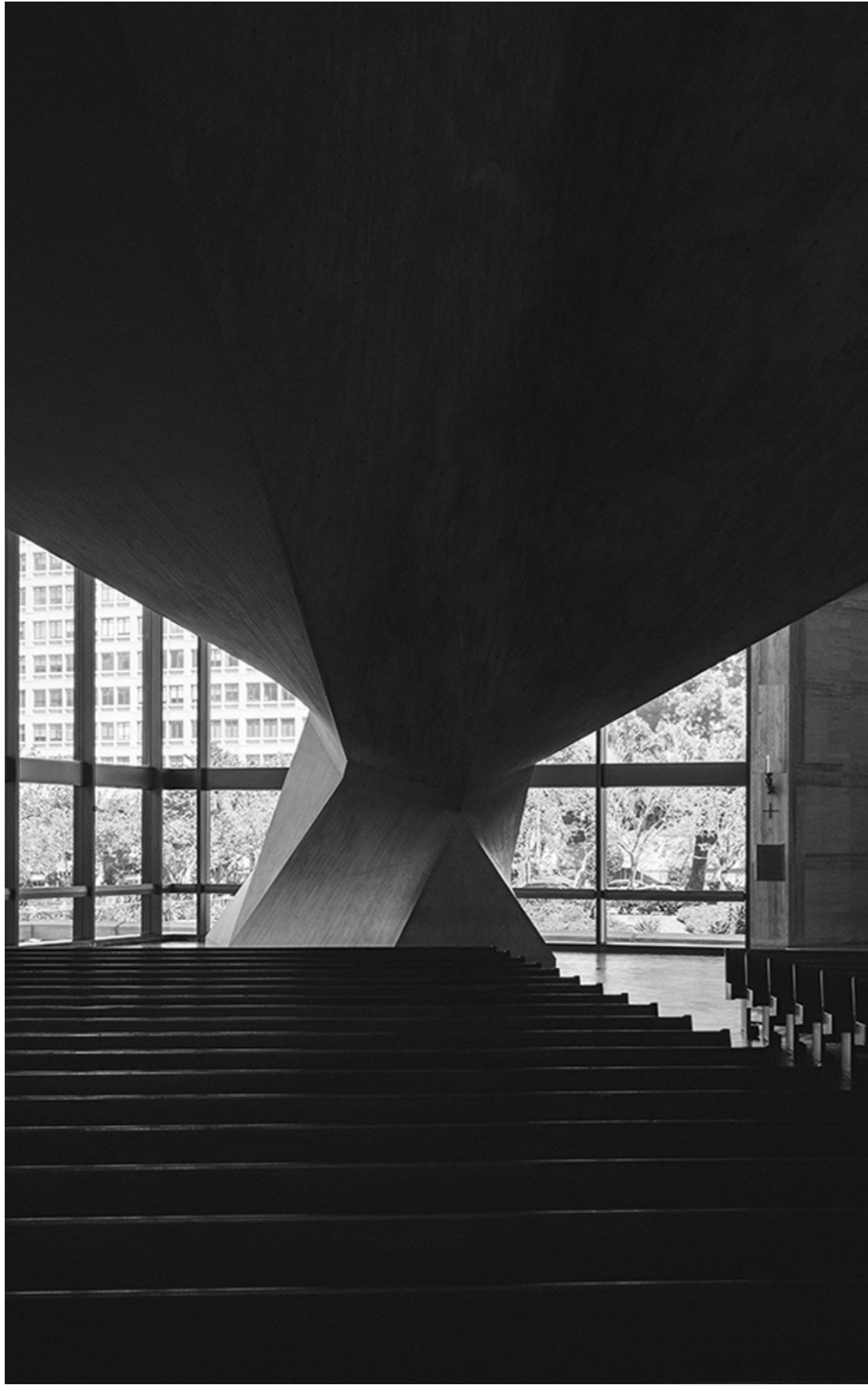


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