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GLASS HOUSES

Fractured glass has never looked so chic. **Laura Umansky**, of Houston design firm **Laura U**, has created a collection for



Laura Umansky's collection for Vetrazzo

Vetrazzo, **Vetrazzo by Laura U**, in four colorways. Vetrazzo's terrazzo-like surfaces (without the concrete) for countertops and floors is made outside of Atlanta in Tate, Georgia, of 85 percent recycled consumer glass and a non-resin binder — with no petroleum products or toxic chemicals. Unusual glass sources include pre- and post-consumer recycled glass from windows, dinnerware, stemware, windshields, stained glass, reclaimed architectural glass from high-rise demolitions, laboratory glass, and traffic lights, making each slab unique. Ideal for high-traffic kitchens and baths, the surface is nonporous and stain resistant and requires no sealing. The surfaces are made-to-measure and can be transformed into countertops, floor tiles, fireplace surrounds, or anywhere you would use a stone surface. For her collection, Umansky turned to the mid-century-modern cities of Miami, Palm Springs, and old Hollywood as her inspiration for the timeless colorways of pearl, aqua, orchid, and black. *Vetrazzo by Laura U*, at *Designer Floors of Houston*, 4245 Richmond Ave., and other showrooms; vetrazzo.com. Anne Lee Phillips



Larry Hokanson



The Rug Guru

Houston native **Larry Hokanson** has been designing exquisite rugs hand-made in Nepal in Nepal under the **Hokanson** brand for 30 years, but his spring collection, **Istorii**, pulls from his life-long travels and his interest in Russian history and culture. Using gouache, he meticulously paints each design onto paper, then transforms the motifs into sumptuous textiles. Nepalese artisans create the rugs using traditional carpet-making methods of hand carding, spinning, dyeing, and knotting. *Through Scott Group Studio, Decorative Center Houston*, 5120 Woodway, Suite 190, 713.621.6609, scottgroupstudio.com. Rebecca Sherman



SEDUCED by a Sofa

Dallas-born interior designer **Jay Jeffers** may live in San Francisco, where he operates his firm, **The Studio**, and retail establishment, **The Store**, but his elegant style is celebrated across the country. The *Elle Decor* A-Lister has debuted furniture, accessories, and lighting for **Arteriors** — masculine, sophisticated, and seductive

in gray ceruse or ebonized oak, polished nickel, blackened steel, hand-etched brass, and concrete. The geometric drinks tables, consoles, cabinets, benches, sofas, and wingback chairs join the lighting and accessories that Jeffers designed for Arteriors in 2015. *Through Mecox*, 3912 Westheimer Road, 713.355.2100, arteriorshome.com. Rebecca Sherman



Jay Jeffers



Jay Jeffers for Arteriors, here and right.

