

New England Home's

40 DESIGN AWARDS

5 FIVE
UNDER
FORTY



THE 2012 WINNERS

AMY
AIDINIS
HIRSCH
interiors

JOHN DAY
interiors & architecture

ASHER DUNN
furniture

ELIZABETH STIVING-NICHOLS
interiors & furniture

KELLY TAYLOR
interiors

DESIGNERS TO WATCH

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New England Home is proud to present the third annual 5 Under 40 awards, honoring top emerging talent in residential architecture and design in New England. The winners—all five of whom are under the age of forty—were nominated by their peers and then selected by a committee of design leaders who considered four categories: architecture, interiors, furniture and home-design products and accessories. Take note: 5 Under 40 winners are the people to watch, producing some of the most beautiful and innovative work available today.

This year's panel of judges is comprised of top professionals representing different facets of the New England design community, including interior designer Sally Wilson, architect Bradford C. Walker, interior de-

signer Jill Goldberg, who also owns the acclaimed home boutique, Hudson, and *New England Home's* editor-in-chief Kyle Hoepner.

Sally Wilson commented on her 5 Under 40 experience, saying, "Judging up-and-coming young talent was a rewarding experience. It was fun to see their projects and review how they put their message together. The future world of design is in good hands."

The judges assembled to review scores of nominations and select this year's winners, who will be honored at a celebratory reception on September 13, 2012 at The Galleria at 333 Stuart Street in Boston. As part of the festivities, each winner designed a custom rug that has been produced by presenting sponsor Landry & Arcari and will be auctioned off at the reception to benefit the Cambridge, Massachusetts-based charity, Barakat. (Read more about Barakat and the rug design process on pages 96 and 98.) Be sure to keep an eye on what comes next from this talented group of design stars!

1. THIS YEAR'S WINNERS WITH JERRY ARCARI
2. JILL GOLDBERG 3. KYLE HOEPNER
4. SALLY WILSON 5. BRADFORD C. WALKER



KELLY TAYLOR

interiors



To Kelly Taylor, interior design is about much more than just pleasing the eye. It's about improving the lives of her clients by creating spaces that are functional, sustainable and high-quality, too. "We spend 90 percent of our time inside, so it is critical that the spaces we inhabit enrich and protect our lives," she says. "When our environments fulfill our needs, sustain our resources and please our senses, they create health and harmony in our lives."

As the owner of Kelly Taylor Interiors & Design in Providence, her work is guided by this philosophy. When Taylor begins a project, she spends time getting to know each client's aesthetic, lifestyle and personality. "I study their interests and the things they respond to, and I interpret, edit and shape that information into a cohesive vision," she says. That vision also incorporates Taylor's focus on green living. Already LEED certified, she is

currently pursuing a master of design studies in sustainable design degree at the Boston Architectural College, and she uses eco-friendly products and locally sourced materials wherever she can.

Still, at the heart of Taylor's success is good design, and she infuses a distinct style into each of her projects, whether she's working on a corporate office, a historic renovation or a luxury residence. "If there is a thread that weaves through all of my work, it would be layering textures and using contrast to create depth and drama," Taylor says.

Her signature style is apparent in the rug she designed for the 5 Under 40 charity auction, for which she found inspiration in the layered bark of an old tree. "For whatever reason, many layers [of the tree] were exposed, revealing the richness of the interior so rarely revealed. Those intricacies are represented [in the rug]."

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