

Decorating Trends

Vibrant Colors Highlight Your Sense Of Style

(NAPSA)—Here's a bright idea: Give your home some added zest by repainting your rooms in the latest shades. From bold and elegant to eclectic and worldly, paint today comes in a range of color palettes and décor styles to serve as creative inspiration for your next do-it-yourself project.

To help, color expert Erika Woelfel, director of color marketing for Behr Paints, identified four trends as the top styles to foster creative expression in the home:

- **Classic Caprice**—Pay homage to traditional design elements while incorporating a fun, modern twist with Classic Caprice. A new take on elegance, this trend creates an appealing contrast of old and new by adding spice to formal rooms with sizzling magenta walls or painting black borders to frame the wall and showcase the architectural details. Traditional antique accents and sleek furnishings amplify this contrast, creating a space that is ornate yet still warm and welcoming.

- **Color Metric**—Inspired by the popular color blocking fashion trend, Color Metric uses geometry to create unique graphic appeal. By adding a “punch” of color to cool and neutral tones, this trend adds depth, balance and soft complexity to modern spaces.

Neutral gray walls create a background and vibrant blue cabinets take center stage. Dark plum creates depth, while a light cognac brown balances with soft complexity. The result is a visually stunning and vibrant look.

- **Sweet Jazz**—The retro themed Sweet Jazz is a nod to the days of art deco living. Feminine colors and streamlined motifs capture the fun and flirtation of the 1920s. Pastel jade and light pink add just the right amount of nostalgia, while dark navy trim adds a note of stac-



Classic Caprice: a formal look with old-world charm and an added spice.



Sweet Jazz: a retro and art deco theme with feminine colors.

cato. Polished chrome fixtures, oriental rugs and exotic flower patterns accent this theme, transporting homeowners back to the days of flapper dresses and speakeasies.

- **Après Ski**—Warm, muted tones add comfort and hominess to this woody oasis. Après Ski's lived-in look provides the perfect barrier from a cold, snowy night that can be enjoyed year round. Forest green showcases natural wood and rustic materials. Kitschy red, teal and lime keep the mood light and upbeat. Must-have décor elements include cozy seating, plush pillows and low lighting. Eclectic accent pieces create a cozy environment and a seemingly effortless doesn't-quite-together appearance.

The Behr Paints 2013 Color Trends with 20 new original colors and four inspirational design styles are currently available at



Color Metric: a combination of cool, modern tones and geometric elements.



Après Ski: a cozy, woody trend complete with lived-in comfort.

The Home Depot stores nationwide. Also, look for the 2013 Color Trend Card, an accompanying brochure with detailed décor themes plus design and decorating tips to help consumers visualize each space.

To further the visual experience, you can follow a QR code found on the back of the Trend Card brochure or go online to watch a video that brings the themes to life. More information can also be found at www.behr.com/2013Trends. What's more, the ColorSmart by BEHR Mobile application, available as a free download for iPhone, iPad and Android compatible devices, helps users find the right color at the touch of a finger. The company is on Facebook at facebook.com/BehrPaint and on Twitter at twitter.com/BehrPaint. Visit Behr's blog at www.colorfullybeh.com for insights on all things color.