



Amy Fischer

# To Have and Enjoy Perpetual Lifestyle Design

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Most people interact with an interior designer once or twice in life. In Atherton, many residents interact with Amy Fischer throughout the year as tastes and seasons evolve, because while it's fun to imagine a home reawakening with new light and colors, collectible art and antiques, it's a vision not easily done. Amy becomes their perpetual lifestyle designer, and is evolving herself, moving her team from her long-time Los Altos offices to a new expanded design studio and showroom in Mountain View.

The prodigy myth says people are born to run. The reality is that people at the apex of their profession start younger and work harder. "I knew beginning in third grade that I wanted to design interiors and this passion has stayed with me," Amy says. "My father taught me how to draw scaled

floor plans and custom design furniture while in grade school. By high school I was building furniture, faux finishing walls, and hanging wallpaper. If there was a craft related to design, I couldn't wait for the hands-on learning application!"

Amy's first job out of high school was custom color matching paint by eye before there were computers to do so, forming a foundational understanding for the composition of color. While earning her design degree, Amy immersed herself in the construction industry working with Owen Signature Homes, a Los Altos high-end custom home builder. For nearly 15 years, she led the design division for client homes and luxury spec homes, managing projects, budgets, and timelines, in Atherton and the Bay Area.

"Our Atherton clients have a sophisticated design appeal. They appreciate quality materials and thoughtful design," Amy says. "They are intentional, driven, successful and inspiring. Our typical projects are large-scale new construction estates where we begin at design inception and finish with turn-key home furnishings installations. We also design for investors and developers building speculative estates for market."

For over 20 years, Amy has worked with Atherton residents on a wide variety of projects,



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from new construction to vacation homes and yachts. With new homes or major redesign projects, Amy works from day one with architects and builders, so instead of being constrained by the shape of a home, the home is designed around what will be in it. "We work closely with the architect to refine floor plans, knowing the furnishing layouts and the specialty lifestyle needs of our clients. While construction is underway, we are planning and procuring home furnishings, custom drapery, artwork and home décor to complete with one turn-key installation."

It's this approach - design before construction - that led Amy to create and open her own design showroom with a construction material library for people building new homes and a vast procurement library of textiles, furnishings, lighting, accessories, and seasonal decorations. "Our Atherton clients lead busy lives," Amy says. "Our new space really allows us to be a single solution to every design need, delivering convenience and ease to the overall design process."

"I really love any opportunity to be creative with a high-level of attention to detail. I enjoy dissecting the complex process of new home construction and presenting it to our clients in a way that is effortless, and with the same enthusiasm we also enjoy seasonally refreshing a home décor, as well as plan, procure and install extravagant holiday decorations. Enhancing a client's vision is very rewarding. Our clients become long-term friends."

Learn more at [SpectrumInteriorDesign.com](http://SpectrumInteriorDesign.com). Their new Mountain View design studio and showroom is by appointment only. 1954 Old Middlefield Way, Suite 100, Mountain View. 650-948-1913.



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