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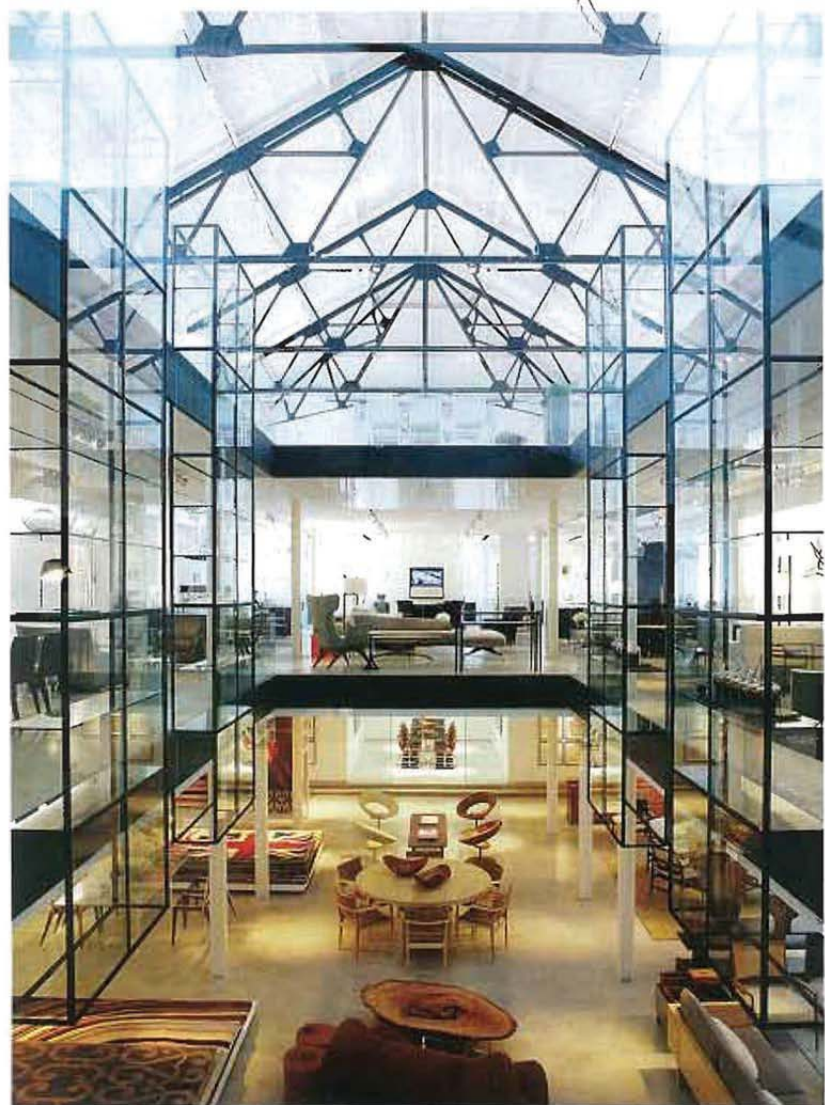
Best Fall Decorating

Kitchens That Wow!

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Amy Rosen's
Luscious
Lamb Stew

Charming Schoolhouse Conversion



The George floor lamp allows for direct or diffused lighting. \$1,775. LEFT: Store owner Stephan Weishaupt.

AVENUE ROAD TURNS A HISTORIC BUILDING INTO A DESTINATION FOR LUXE, MODERN STYLE.

FIND IT: Avenue Road, 415 Eastern Ave., Toronto (416) 548-7788 or avenue-road.com.

HISTORY: After opening in a modest space in Toronto's East End, Stephan Weishaupt relocated his three-year-old store to a stately red brick building originally built for the Consumers' Gas Company in 1907. At 15,000 square feet — five times the size of the original — the new showroom puts Toronto on the map for cutting-edge modern design.

STYLE: Renovated with renowned Canadian design firm Yabu Pushelberg, the jaw-dropping space masterfully merges modern design with the building's historic elements: factory windows and industrial beams balance spare white walls. Glass display cabinets showcasing tableware and accessories appear to float within the store's three-storey atrium. Exclusive furniture lines by world-class designers include Brazil's Sergio Rodrigues, France's Christophe Delcourt and New York's Vladimir Kagan, to name a few. The third floor spotlights seasonal collections, such as outdoor furniture by Belgium designer Wim Segers.

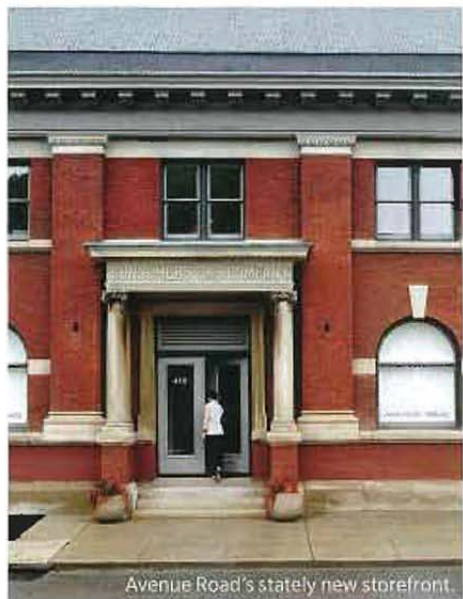
BEST BUYS: Clover-shaped side tables (\$1,140 to \$1,440) are among Avenue Road's most popular pieces. The store keeps sought-after items like these in stock. **WHAT TO WATCH FOR:** Bedding from Italy's Ivano Redaelli takes linens to a luxe new level.

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— BETH EDWARDS



Maria Sem Verghonha side tables, \$1,140 to \$1,440.



Avenue Road's stately new storefront.



Imbuia wood bowl, \$685.



ABOVE: *Bed*, \$8,186; *linens*, from \$156 to \$625; *side tables*, \$880 to \$910 each; *lamp*, \$715.

TOP CENTRE: Art by Mary Judge is in keeping with the store's nature-inspired inventory. \$625 each.
RIGHT: Etel's mod tea trolley has all the charm of an antique. *Zalsupin tea trolley*, \$7,705.



LEFT: *Ondine chair*, from \$7,458.
BELOW: The *Dul stool* is kept in stock. \$1,695.



Sideboard, from \$10,305; *vases*, \$1,075 to \$3,190; *chair*, from \$5,040; collaborative artwork by Shyam, Durgaba and Urvet, \$1,900.



> EXCLUSIVE COLLECTIONS NEW TO AVENUE ROAD



THE RUG COMPANY

What: Fashion-forward pillows and rugs featuring contemporary prints by celebrated designers.
Signature: Rugs by the likes of Matthew Williamson, Kelly Wearstler, Diane von Furstenberg and Tom Dixon that are part art, part function.
Chic factor: Carrie and Big's New York apartment in *Sex and the City 2* was decorated with the London, U.K.-based company's carpets and pillows.



VAN ROSSUM

What: Elegant wood tables, cabinets and benches traditionally crafted in the Netherlands.
Signature: Striking solid oak designs certain to become family heirlooms.
Chic factor: French designer Christophe Delcourt is collaborating with Van Rossum on a collection of minimalist wood furniture. (Delcourt also designs for Avenue Road's own furniture line, Editions.)



LOBMEYR

What: Mouth-blown glassware that's cut, polished and engraved by hand in Vienna.
Signature: Delicate, nature-inspired pieces by New York designer Ted Muehling and monogrammed glassware by the late Hans Harald Rath (shown).
Chic factor: Lobmeyr is a family business that dates back to 1823. Many of its designs have been in production since the mid-19th century.