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SHOP TALK



**THE FINER THINGS:** Laura Lee Clark Falconer refers to her new space as "The Shop." Above, a vignette features a vintage mirrored headboard, Peacock Alley linens, an antique Spanish-style cassone, and a late-19th-century French giltwood starburst mirror. Above right, an antique French mouchoir (or "handkerchief") pot is home to an arrangement by Urban Flower Grange Hall, which sits on an antique French marble-topped table.



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new showroom

## FINE BY DESIGN

Laura Lee Clark Interior Design, Inc. opens its doors in the Design District.

Home at last. Well, sort of. Interior designer Laura Lee Clark Falconer has opened her new space, and it feels more residential than retail. Falconer has accumulated a number of 17th-century Spanish, French, and Italian antiques and juxtaposed them with modern art from local art galleries Barry Whistler and Dunn and Brown Contemporary. Sound dangerous? Not in Falconer's hands—she makes it work. "I think it's really important to have a mix of things," she says. "I like to take a few unique pieces with incredible history behind them and pair them with contemporary artwork." Cool and unusual items might include an Ital-

ian beaded chandelier that originally hung in a Portofino hotel or a collection of Ming Dynasty pottery that was recovered from a shipwreck. If you already have enough shipwrecked items, no worries. Falconer also offers furniture and accessories such as rugs, lamps, select pieces of upholstery, and affordable gift items. How Falconer manages to find these things we may never know. We're just happy she's put out the welcome mat in the Design District. "We're offering something that isn't down here yet," she says. "We want to be a one-stop shop where designers and the public can come to find current pieces at a great value." —Kellyn Curtis

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