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Floor covering: Key to room decor

The base of each room's decor—be it a large rug, wall-to-wall carpeting, or area rug—can make or break the effect. There are guidelines to follow when considering floor covering, and they involve color, texture and pattern.

Color is often the prime consideration when a consumer is looking at carpets or rugs. Color is psychological; it affects style in the same way it affects space. The floor covering is always the largest single area of color other than the walls.

It can overwhelm or complement the room style you have selected. Light color expands space; dark colors shrink space.

Texture affects style, too. A fluff shag is not appropriate for a formal English look; an elegant plush would be perfect. An area rug with an appropriate pattern would be just right for an early American style.

Pattern, an eye-catching should be given careful consideration before purchase because it carries a style of its own.

A bold design can be appealing at first, but difficult to take in a living room. Patterns are used to keep clean but it should be subordinate to the style of the room and in scale with the space.

When thinking of pattern rugs, I automatically think of the old-fashioned patterned carpets. The modern era in rug design has been remarkably like the real thing.

Whether real or not, these intricate patterns and proportions are for masses, from a lively and practical look to a sophisticated one. They are used in modern settings where the furniture and architecture are stark and contemporary because they add warmth and charm needed for balance.

They are fine for area rugs too, such as the basis for a dining room setting. A really good one under a glass top table can be quite dramatic.

There are other uses for carpeting today. Left over pieces of carpeting can be used in the same room for a super adaptive wall mural. Inlaid on or carpeting, fitted to a wall as well as covering also. Used on one wall, they tend to seem to stretch the space.



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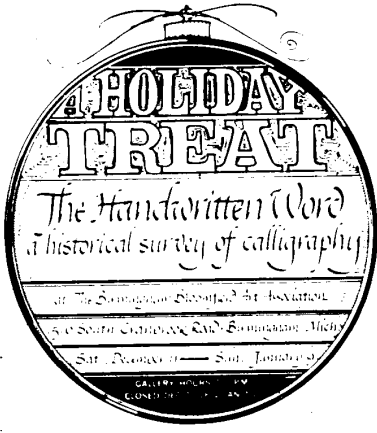
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The awards will be presented at the annual CYO dinner at the Raleigh House on Sunday, April 2.

There is no limit to the number of Ed Crowe Awards which may be given out in any year. The only criterion is outstanding performance.

Anyone, regardless of religion or parish affiliation, may make one or more nominations for the award. Forms are available from the CYO office, ninth floor, Gabriel Richard Building, 303 Michigan Ave., Detroit 48226; telephone 963-7172.

All nomination forms must be signed by both the nominator and the parish pastor, the parish youth director or by some other authorized person.

The deadline for returning the completed forms to the CYO office is Jan. 31. For further information on the nominating process, call the CYO.

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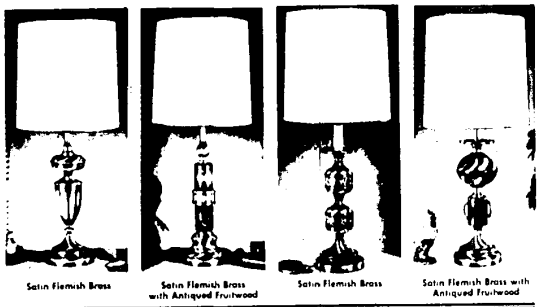
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