

Designers track emerging lines for clients

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Michigan Design Center, for all its understated

glamour, is a serious place of business for many of the design professionals who shop the 40 Troy showrooms for their clients.

Here's a brief look at some of the furnishings lines that have drawn the attention of these designers, perhaps giving us a hint as to what style directions are unfolding. Stroheim and Romann has an admirer in Steven L. Teich, ASID, of Teich and Davis Interiors. Teich refers to Marquesa as "one of the most spectacular fabrics he has seen in a long time."

His reasons for responding to this exciting cotton print is that "it combines the design motifs of paisley, leopard skin and tassels while balancing an equally unusual harmony of azures, purples, greens, golden brown and yellows." Further, Teich envisions many uses for this beautifully detailed fabric.

The significance of this bold selection lies in its sophisticated rendition. The motifs are not presented as a conventional flat pattern. Instead each motif is shown as draped, folded or languidly



Opulence from California: The Bau line, exclusive to the design trade, is new to the Michigan Design Center. It includes Louis XV triple curio with burl doors (\$10,500), Devonshire dropleaf table (\$1,150) and Devonshire cocktail table with black marble insert (\$2,830). Also shown are a chair (\$1,400), ottoman (\$750) and seven-foot-long sofa (standard fill \$2,390, down fill at additional charge).

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