

WE ASKED DESIGNERS “WHAT DID YOU LEARN IN 2020?” AND “WHAT ARE YOU LEAVING BEHIND?” HERE’S WHAT THEY SAID.

The ability to let go of control and make the next best decision. I am a perfectionist by nature which can lead to decision overwhelm in growth of my business. The lesson from 2020 has been to meet the long term needs of my business and worry about the details later.

- **Kara Cox, Kara Cox Interiors**



That I can’t continue to do my own social media. Hiring this out to an expert took a huge weight off my shoulders!

- **Janis Reed, Janis Reed Interiors**

I learned for the first time who I really am, who I have consistently been for so many years — a passionate/compassionate person with a lot to give.

- **Nishi Donovan, Nishi Design + Studio**



I’m leaving behind the idea of opening a retail store, and focusing on online business models.

- **Nishi Donovan**

I am leaving behind the pessimism of others. Staying positive has been the biggest and most helpful exercise in 2020. In my career, I have learned to learn from disappointments and use them for positive growth and success. New years are for new starts, new traditions and new attitudes.



- **Barry Lantz, Barry Lantz Art**

This year has been a stressful one with COVID-19 and the election. I will be leaving behind all the negativity and what I would like to manifest in 2021 is to be joyful and positive.



- **Beth Lindsey, Beth Lindsey Interior Design**



The status quo. If 2020 taught us anything, it’s that nothing can be taken for granted and the rules can be re-written. We are manifesting new opportunities to excite and ignite us in 2021!

- **Beth Dotolo and Carolina Gentry**



Sweating the small things. After this year with all of its ups and downs from the pandemic, I am not letting the small stressors get to me. Instead, I am turning my focus on being thankful for everything and everyone I have in my life.

- **Nina Magon, Contour Interior Design**