

Trim puts exclamation point on a room



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As designers, we take a lot of different elements into account when working on a renovation, new build or even a single room. There are a lot of choices to make for lighting, paint, wall coverings, windows and doors, and then the far too often overlooked: interior nishings.

Often an afterthought, the interior nishing choices you make are like the exclamation points at the end of a sentence and the right choices in this department make the others shine. Think about it, baseboards are a must, the windows without any trim would be bland, the doors with no casings would be boring, and gorgeous ceiling details would be missed without crown mouldings.

These elements, formerly thought of as modest nishing touches, can be brought to the forefront of your design. Make a statement with your trim and you will create a more complete design, layered with interesting details and one that will t right in on the cover of a design magazine.

This month, I want to show you a few ways that you too can achieve editorial worthy designs with the simple use of interior nishings.



Photos: For the Calgary Herald
Very Square Collection, Door (www.metrie.com): A simple, at stock door, is elevated with the use of rift cut, horizontal grain of white oak. Solid core construction and its clean lines provide a stunning contrast to any modern space.



LEFT: French Curve Collection, Scene I Ikon (www.metrie.com): Most people associate this look with an older home and wouldn't use them in a modern space, but as you can see from the install photo, they can bring opulence and charm to any room. Installed on the ceiling with some gorgeous trim, they add just the right amount of pattern. I would also love to see this updated pattern as decorative touches on the wall of a room to add that certain je ne sais quoi!



RIGHT: True Craft Collection, Scene III Fir Casing, replace surround (www.metrie.com): Framing out a replace surround is a simple task, but using the right trim can make a re feature go from bland to grand (and not break the bank). I love the look of the pieces in the True Craft Collection, they elevate the ordinary replace into a focal point.