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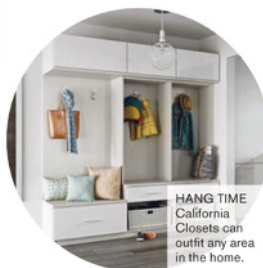
BEST INTERIOR DESIGNER, TRANSITIONAL: TRACI RHOADS

Perhaps it's interior designer Traci Rhoads' suburban Atlantan upbringing that caused her to pine for a chichi urban lifestyle in an eclectic loft in Midtown—far from the traditional trappings of a McMansion in Marietta. It might also be why she's so comfortable commuting back and forth to Manhattan to complete projects for her posh clients. Whatever the motivation, this fiery Southern lady has brought a little of that bright-lights-big-city feel to her own art-filled corner space overlooking Ponce City Market, as well as to her clients' abodes. Notorious for not sticking to one style genre, the design dynamo has been working in Atlanta for 20 years, crafting interiors ranging from high-end country clubs to haute homes. She ventured out on her own about nine years ago and has rarely had a moment to breathe since. When she's not in town designing for Atlanta's a-list, she's flitting off to projects in the toniest parts of the country, including Aspen, Colo.; the Hamptons and Long Island, N.Y.; Boston; and Greenwich, Conn., for an impressive 15,000-square-foot project. trinteriors.net

HOMETOWN GIRL When not in town polishing up the poshest pads, native Atlantan Traci Rhoads has her busy hands in projects ranging from Aspen to the Hamptons.

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