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Interior designer Jocelyn Chiappone has launched her own company — what took her so long? — and already her client list is ballooning. Her fresh, young take on traditional design brings together the best of both worlds. But aside from the wonderful colors and fabrics, livability — be it beach condo or townhouse — is key. And for today's busy families (the RISD-trained designer has one of her own) comfort is as important as style.

NEW HOME STORE
INSIDE STYLE

155 Main St., Wakefield, 783-7800,
insidestyleri.com
We so appreciate how design consultant and owner Lee Chartier creates clever vignettes to help clients envision how items — some new, some repurposed, accessories and art — could work. Example: a vintage dresser she has painted blue and waxed is displayed in a room setting along with a chic lamp and a colorful painting. Bing! A light bulb goes off and suddenly we can imagine the dresser as a stylish bar in our own nest.

HOUSE-WARMING PRESENT
COPPER FISH BY
CHRIS YOUNG

Warwick, 575-6435,
cyoung18@cox.net
Who wouldn't treasure one of these hand-wrought copper fish sculptures? Young's catch includes any number of saltwater species like mahi and sharks as well as several local choices such as flounder, cod and striped bass. Life-like but not kitschy, we can picture Young's fish (about \$100 to \$400) surfacing in some swanky New York ateliers in the near future. Contact Young or look for his creations at JW Graham, Wickford, and the Bird's Nest, Block Island.

PLACE FOR CASHMERE
TOCI

18 Franklin St., Newport,
848-9600, thisistoci.com
Toci offers cashmere items in a dizzying array of colors and styles, from pastel hooded sweaters to sorbet-shaded pashmina scarves. Hats in Scottish cashmere share space with nubby sweaters and cable wraps in cool neutral tones, and the store's soothing interior encourages shoppers to browse away.

ANTIQUES AND ART
RICHARD KAZARIAN
ANTIQUES

5 Richmond Sq.,
Providence, 453-1400
Way back before anyone even thought about lugging garden accoutrements inside, Kazarian had already done it. His eye for marrying eras and styles — eighteenth-century European painted furniture, for



Cashmere scarves in luscious colors from Toci warm up chilly mornings.

instance, with mid-century modern — is known far beyond the boundaries of our little state. Diverse objects often share a commonality and art historian Kazarian, whiz that he is, shows us why time and again in this fabulous shop.

DIY MATERIALS
HABITAT FOR HUMANITY
RESTORE

1555 Shannock Rd.,
Charlestown, 213-6716,
southcountyhabitat.org
Anyone handy with tools (or in need of tools) will relish a visit. The inventory is constantly evolving, but almost always there's plenty of weekend-project stuff like tiles and bath fixtures. There's a generous and affordable selection of decorative hardware, too, for upgrading cabinets. Random china,

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Inside Style's Lee Chartier gives DIY decorators inspiration with new and vintage house items.