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THE SECRET TO SELLING

IN TODAY'S SLOW real estate market, many homeowners have become all too familiar with the pain of putting a house up for sale just to have it sit for months on end. One way to snag a buyer without lowering your asking price to a heartburn-inducing level: Home staging. With the help of a little stylish furniture and design sense, the experts at Philly's **Busybee Design** can make what you already have in your living space inviting to as many buyers as possible. The husband-and-wife team of Anna and Todd Powers swears the service works—on average clients' homes sell for 5 percent more than homes that haven't been staged. *Busybee Design, 340 N. 12th St., Suite 324, 215-765-0400, BusyBeePhilly.com* —Anne Berlow

« Updated Antiques

LOOKING FOR A statement piece that combines classic lines and modern, funky upholstery? Turn to **Chairloom**. The company brings life to antiques that have good bones but need more updating than Aunt Girda's wardrobe. Chairloom uses bright textiles from high-end companies such as Hable Construction, Oliveira, Rubie Green, Virginia Johnson and John Robshaw—many of which are organic and eco-friendly. Pieces can be ordered online or purchased at local vendors including **The Bee's Nest** and **Inside & Outside**. *Available at The Bee's Nest, 16 E. Eagle Road, Havertown, 610-789-2720, TheBeesNestPA.com; Inside & Outside, 164 E. Lancaster Ave., Wayne, 610-971-1070, ShopInsideOutside.com; or through Chairloom.com* —A.B.



Blast from the Past

THE '60S ARE back—so are the '70s and '80s—and Philly's new **Calderwood 2** is poised to be one of the best places to find chic décor from these decades. The shop's architecturally inspired furniture is made primarily of Lucite, chrome and sculpted wood, and the store's wide selection of bold pieces can turn any room into a den of style. Calderwood 2 is the newest work from the folks behind **Calderwood Gallery**; the space is scheduled to open this month. *For more information, call or visit Calderwood 2, 631 N. Broad St., 215-546-5357, CalderwoodGallery.com* —Shannon McDonald



Good in Bed

COMFORT AND STYLE combine in the boudoir as designers create high-end bedding that delivers the perfect night's sleep. For a lavish rest, **Hollandia International** offers custom-designed sleep systems that can include anything from adjustable mattress contours to built-in massage programs. Also worth checking out: designs by **Sleep Studio**. Each mattress offers personalized comfort by way of an advanced material that conforms and responds to your body's curves. *Hollandia International, Marketplace Design Center, 2400 Market St., Suite 212, 215-988-9707; Sleep Studio, available at SleepStudio.com* —Jill McCloskey