

Best of Boston Home 2012



Here in New England, we're more likely to tackle one room at a time than plunge into a whole-house makeover. It's the Yankee way, and incidentally, very 2012. That's why we organized our research around every room on your list. From millworkers to muslin, decorative painters to doorknobs, Boston's best can be found right here.

**KITCHEN | BATHROOM | BEDROOM | FAMILY ROOM
LIVING & DINING | SPECIALTY | OUTDOORS**

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SPECIALTY



COLOR CONSULTANTS **ColorTheory**

❖ Sometimes all your room needs is a hue adjustment to make it new again. That's where Brad Dufton and Kendra Amin of ColorTheory come in. Trained in interior design, Dufton will use his uncanny ability to envision how those tiny paint swatches will translate to your walls to gently steer you to the right shade. Best of all, once you've made your choices, he and his team will sand, prime, and paint the place in a jiffy.

BOSTON, 617-304-6335, COLORTHEORY-BOSTON.COM.

gym equipment **GYM SOURCE**

❖ Whether you have a tiny corner or an entire floor to fill, Gym Source has the equipment you need—from free weights to a full cage ensemble—at prices that won't put a chokehold on your budget. Consultants offer free home-gym design services, and once your new gear is installed, the company guarantees a 48-hour response time for requested service.

106 Needham St., Newton, 617-332-1967, gymsource.com.

house automation design and installation **ELITE MEDIA SOLUTIONS**

If you want to listen to an audio recording of the latest *Wall Street Journal* in your bathroom; turn up the thermostat 20 minutes before you get home; or control your fireplace, television, music system, spa, and security system with one touch of an iPad, this Wellesley company—in business since 1986—can make it happen.

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professional organizer **P.O.S.H.**

Getting organized is one thing—staying that way sometimes requires the help of a pro. Certified professional organizer Heidi Solomon has been turning both residential and commercial clients into models of efficiency for nearly 15 years. Whether you need to archive your slide collection or rearrange an entire office building, Solomon delivers the plan after just one consultation.

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