



Have a Hearth
John Lyle's brass butterflies

ALL A FLUTTER

GET FIRED UP. Fall is here, and your fireplace needs some attention. These oh-so-chic butterflies on glass by John Lyle are everything this season — perfect for the hearth. Meticulously forged from bronze by hand, each winged wonder has its own unique markings that will reflect the flickering light of the flames from behind. “They bring the room a sense of movement and whimsy,” Lyle says. “Truly a piece of functional sculpture.” The butterflies are also available as full-wall panels in any size. *David Sutherland, Houston Decorative Center* —MEREDITH XAVIER

Paris Calling

If you have two chairs and a sofa perfectly arranged around your fireplace, it's time to listen up! Native Houstonian Windsor Smith is changing the way we think about arranging rooms, emphasizing that furniture should be designed — and placed — with human interaction in mind. “We really don't sit and face each other anymore,” she says. “A successful room today is a room where people can coexist. It's more of a Parisian salon approach. I think of every corner of a space.” Smith's latest collection for Century Furniture — more than 90 pieces — is the perfect reflection of her design philosophy, with furniture that is as beautiful from the back as it is from the front and side. *Centuryfurniture.com* —MX



House of Windsor
Century Furniture's new line
by Houstonian Smith