

# STAR POWER

At the most recent High Point Market held in April, a trio of top Southern design talents introduced first-ever furniture collections, as well as chic additions to existing lines Produced by CLINTON SMITH



## NATURAL SPIRIT

Dallas-based designer **DENISE MCGAHA** has partnered with **WILDWOOD** on a new collection of lighting, furniture and home decor. With an appreciation for heritage craftsmanship, McGaha's designs encompass simplicity and strength, raw materials and refined finishes, and a balance of contemporary living with the reinvention of traditional style. Perhaps the most important part of the collection is how each piece is imbued with McGaha's kinship with nature. Deeply inspired by time spent at her ranch in Texas, the designer articulates the senses through natural materials, her palette and the textures that appear on each piece. [wildwoodhome.com](http://wildwoodhome.com)



DENISE MCGAHA PORTRAIT BY KRIS ELLIS



## CLASSIC REMIX

A scion of the Howard decorating family—celebrated designers and shopkeepers Phoebe and Jim Howard are her parents—**NELLIE HOWARD OSSI** debuted a 15-piece capsule collection with **SHERRILL FURNITURE** aptly titled *Nellie Jane* for Mr. and Mrs. Howard. (Phoebe and Jim have their own long-standing collection with the company as well.) With a return to maximalism and traditional design, highlights of Howard Ossi's line include beautifully upholstered pieces with scalloped trims, box pleats and gathered skirts, all freshly reinterpreted for today's modern lifestyles. [nelliehowardossi.com](http://nelliehowardossi.com); [sherrillfurniture.com](http://sherrillfurniture.com)



## High Wattage

Some of Houston-based designer **PALOMA CONTRERAS'** first lighting introductions for **VISUAL COMFORT & CO.** have become instant classics. Fast-forward to the latest High Point Market, and Contreras has added more key pieces, including sconces, lamps and hanging fixtures that are sure to become covetable in their own right. With clean lines and pitch-perfect finishes, the pieces evoke glamorous, sculptural qualities. Looking ahead, fans of Contreras should mark their calendars for the launch of her second book, *The New Classic Home: Modern Meets Traditional Style*, set to debut in October. [visualcomfort.com](http://visualcomfort.com)

