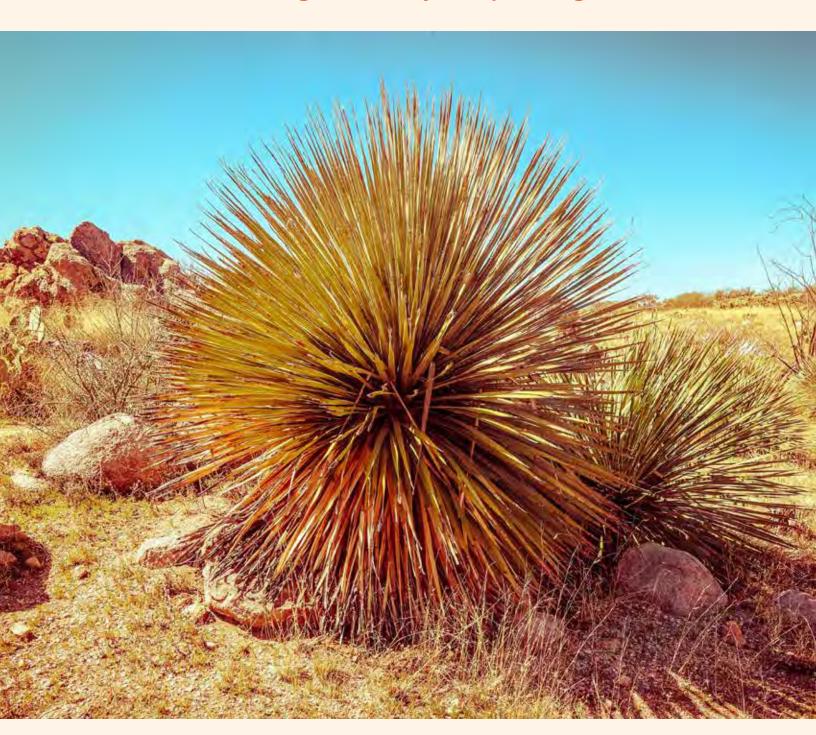
# inner nature

A collection celebrating the beauty of expressing our true selves.



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#### Introducing The Inner Nature Collection

Truly inhabiting who we are – and celebrating others for who they are – is the ultimate expression of our true selves.

What is your inner nature? What do you love? When do you feel most connected to your authentic self?

These are questions I've been asking myself and those around me – and the answers inspired this collection.

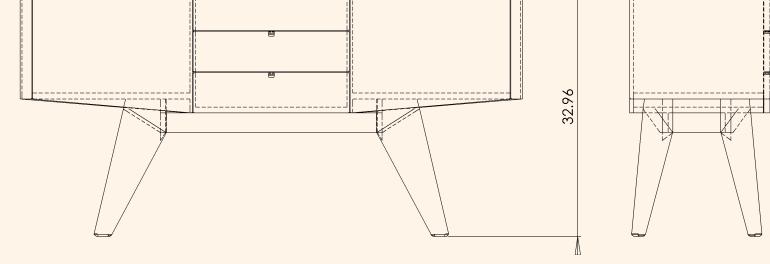
The spaces we inhabit directly inform how we feel. I've learned that my outer experience is a reflection of my inner reality. Living in an environment in synch with our inner selves allows us to think clearly, fostering inspiration and building inner strength.

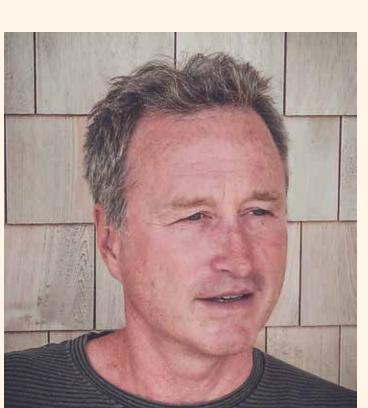
As designers, my husband Sherwood and I have the unique opportunity to assist people in creating living spaces that reflect what they love, revealing their inner nature. The beauty we see in the world resides within us and we reflect that beauty back and forth through the way we carry ourselves in the world and through the spaces we inhabit. Our area rugs and furniture have always been designed with this concept in mind — and in this collection, through pattern, color, form and function, we celebrate the unique experience of creating spaces that allow inner natures to shine.

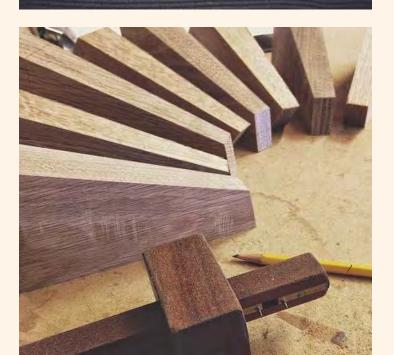
In the following pages, you'll be introduced to people we've met over the years who exude their inner nature – they're impossible to miss. Their talent, intuition and perspective casts a light on their true selves, illuminating the world around them. They're an inspiration to us and we hope they will be to you, too.

Join us on this creative journey.

Be who you are.









How would you describe your inner nature?

Non-conforming, detail focused, introverted. Inspired by the sciences of our world.

Are there any colors, materials, shapes or patterns that come to mind when you consider your inner nature?

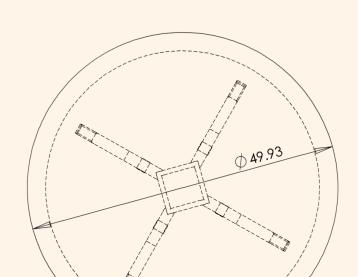
Gray and white variations, black lines with bright primary accents portraying architectural and aerodynamic shapes.

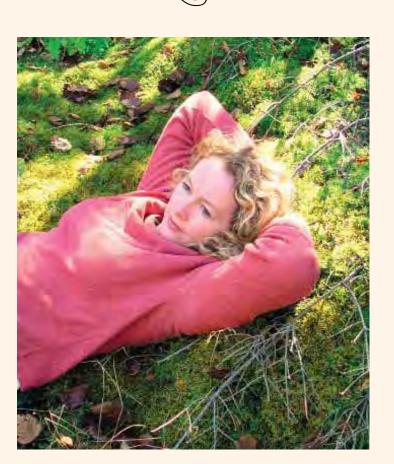
When do you most feel like who you are?

On the water, in the woods, on the mountain, in the desert.

What three words would you use to describe your inner nature?

Adventurous, self-reliant, creative.







#### Angela Adams, Designer

#### How would you describe your inner nature?

My inner nature is to seek a balance between the emotional world and the physical world. I can be overwhelmed by either of those worlds when I lose track of the other. The emotional world to me is color and the physical world is form. I think this idea embodies the different approaches Sherwood and I have to design. Naturally, a furniture designer will be methodical, practical and functional. A pattern designer or painter may be more influenced by the emotion of color or the lines of a pattern. I think there is magic in the balance of the two.

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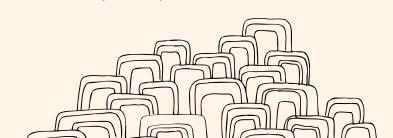
I relate to the imperfect, wonky shapes in nature. They have personality and style.

#### When do you most feel like who you are?

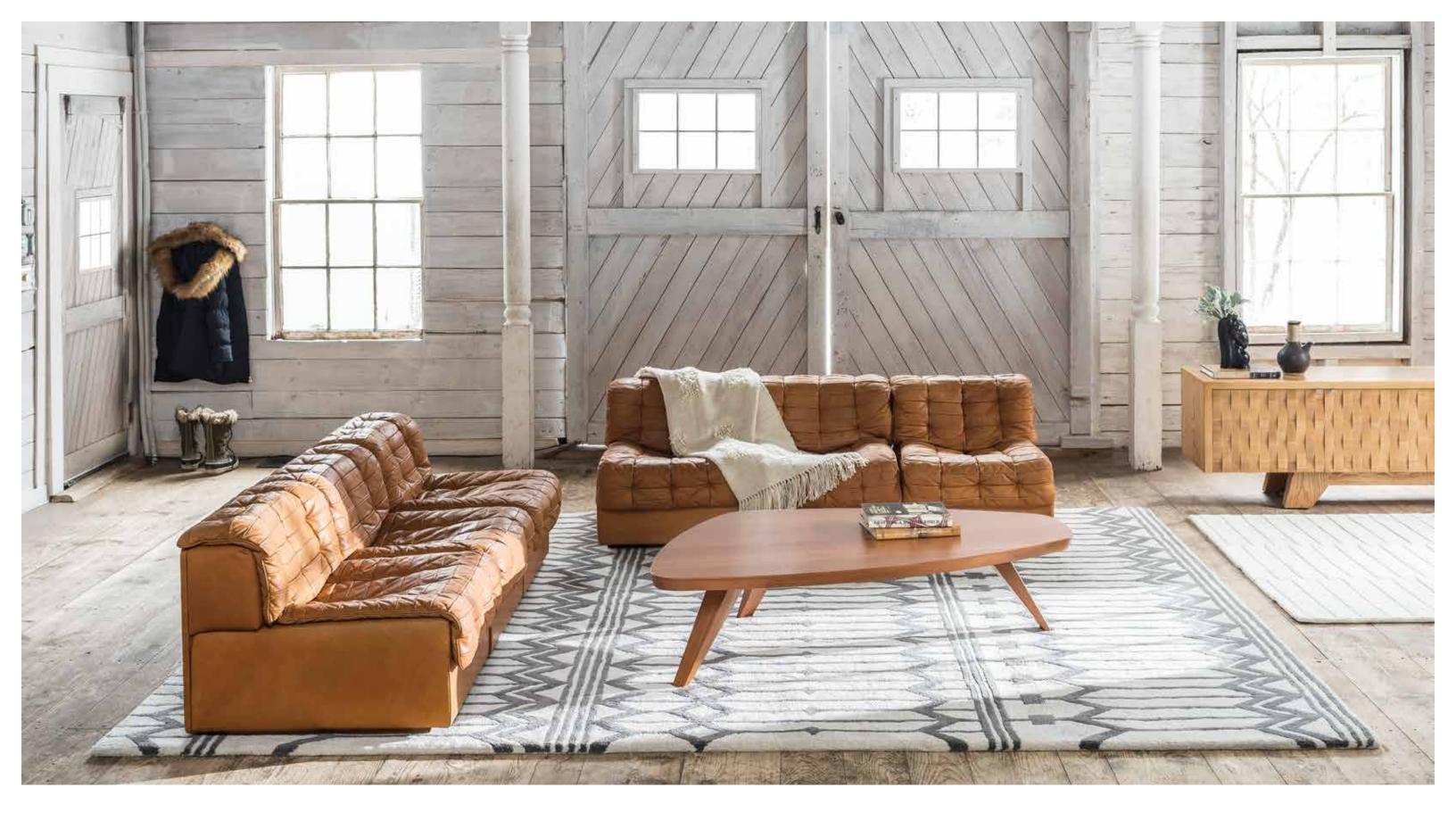
When all of my senses are firing. Jumping into the ocean recalibrates my soul.

What three words would you use to describe your inner nature?

Curious. Perceptive. Empathetic.







**Above:** Owl Feather Area Rug, Swell Table in Cherry/Natural, Merino Wool Woven Throw in Natural, Vintage DeSede Leather Patchwork Sofa **Right:** Timber Sidecase in Ash Amber, Fogbank/Natural Area Rug



### Rosie Allard,

#### **Textile Artist**

#### How would you describe your inner nature?

My inner nature is striving to be strong, conscious, kind and always growing.

My most natural form of expression is through what I make and wear. I try to pull strength from the bright colors I wear, as a reminder to be bold and positive. I work to be conscious and respectful of the materials and labor put into the items and fabrics I use and in all aspects of my life.

# Are there any colors, materials, shapes or patterns that come to mind when you consider your inner nature?

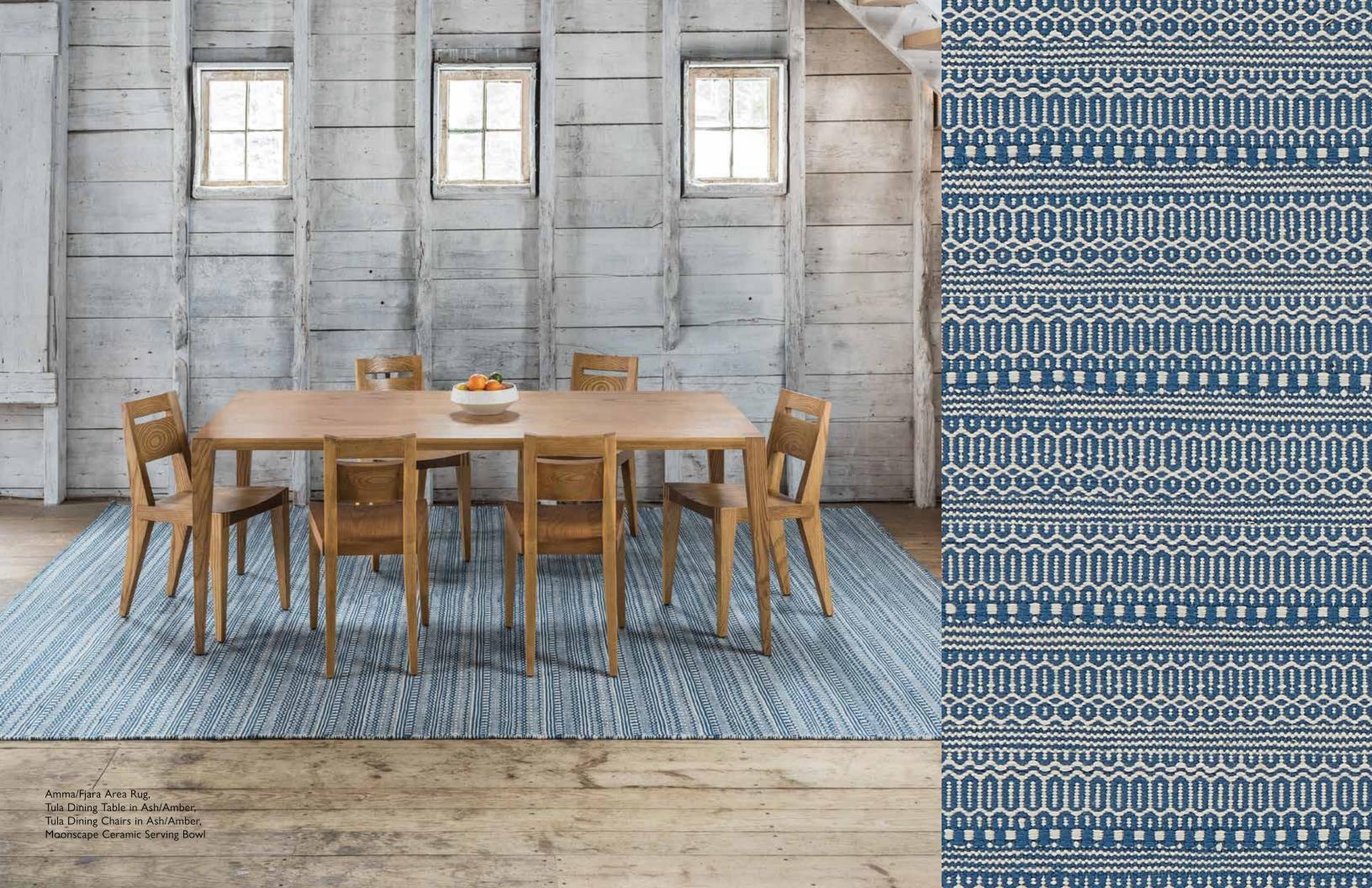
Poppy red, dusty aqua blues, cobalt, warm pinks and the oranges from my mummu's 1970 formica countertop. I am drawn to natural fibers, wools, linen, mohair and rugged cotton fabrics. I have surrounded myself with folk and floral patterns throughout my life, bright bold prints and crisp colors.

#### When do you most feel like who you are?

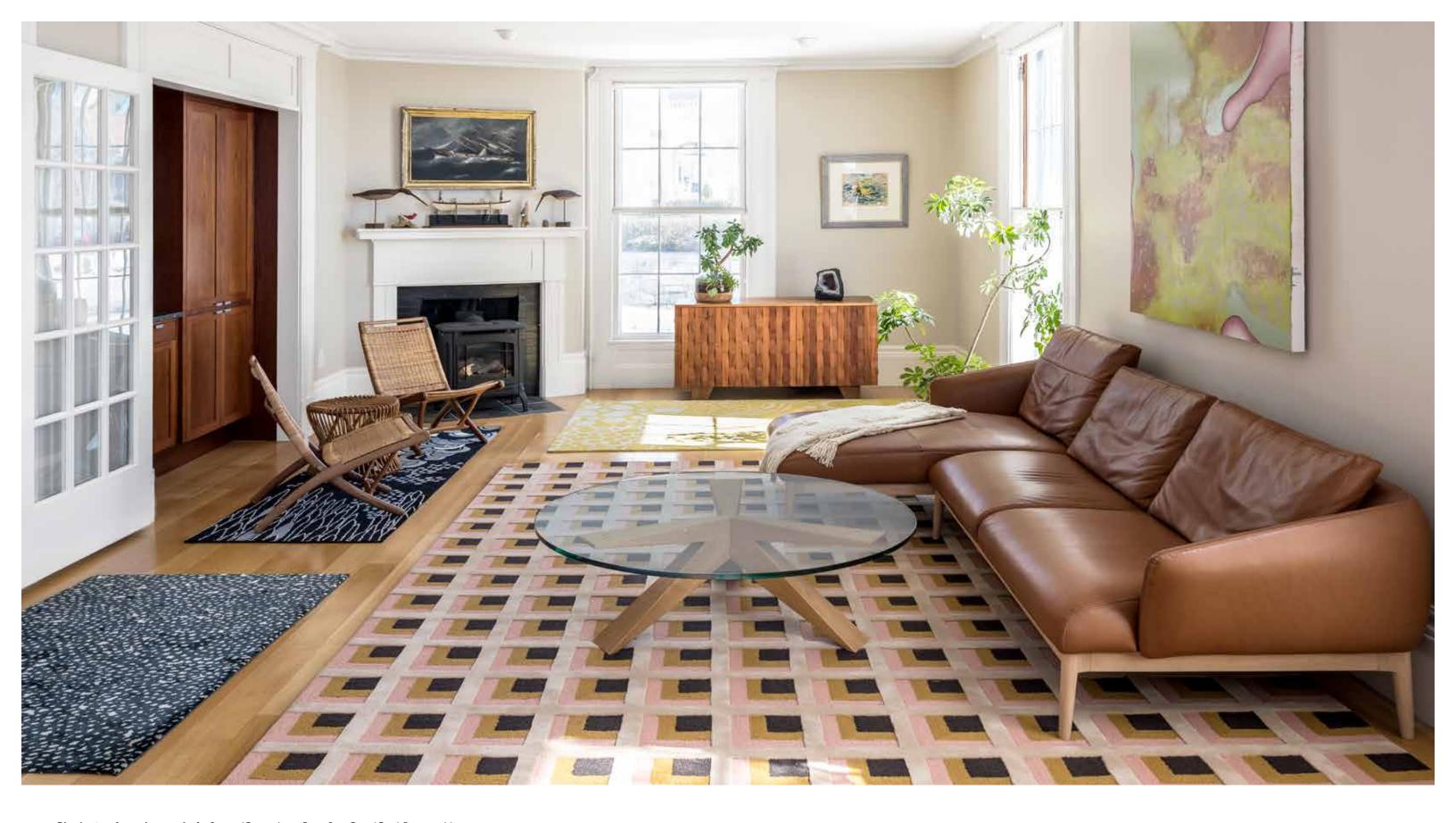
I feel most at peace with myself when working with children and textiles. Creating in a shared space using techniques and materials that are intrinsic to human history and life is when I feel an inner glow and perpetuating source of energy.

#### What three words would you use to describe your inner nature?

Practical. Conscious. Evolving.







Clockwise from Lower Left: Starry/Onyx Area Rug, Sea Cave/Coal Runner, Vintage Danish Side Chairs, Glacier/Sunny Area Rug, Timber Sideboard in Walnut/Natural, June/Rosebud Area Rug, Propeller Coffee Table in White Oak/Natural, Merino Wool Woven Throw in Natural, Theo Sofa by Contempo



## Edie Tucker,

#### Sculptor

#### How would you describe your inner nature?

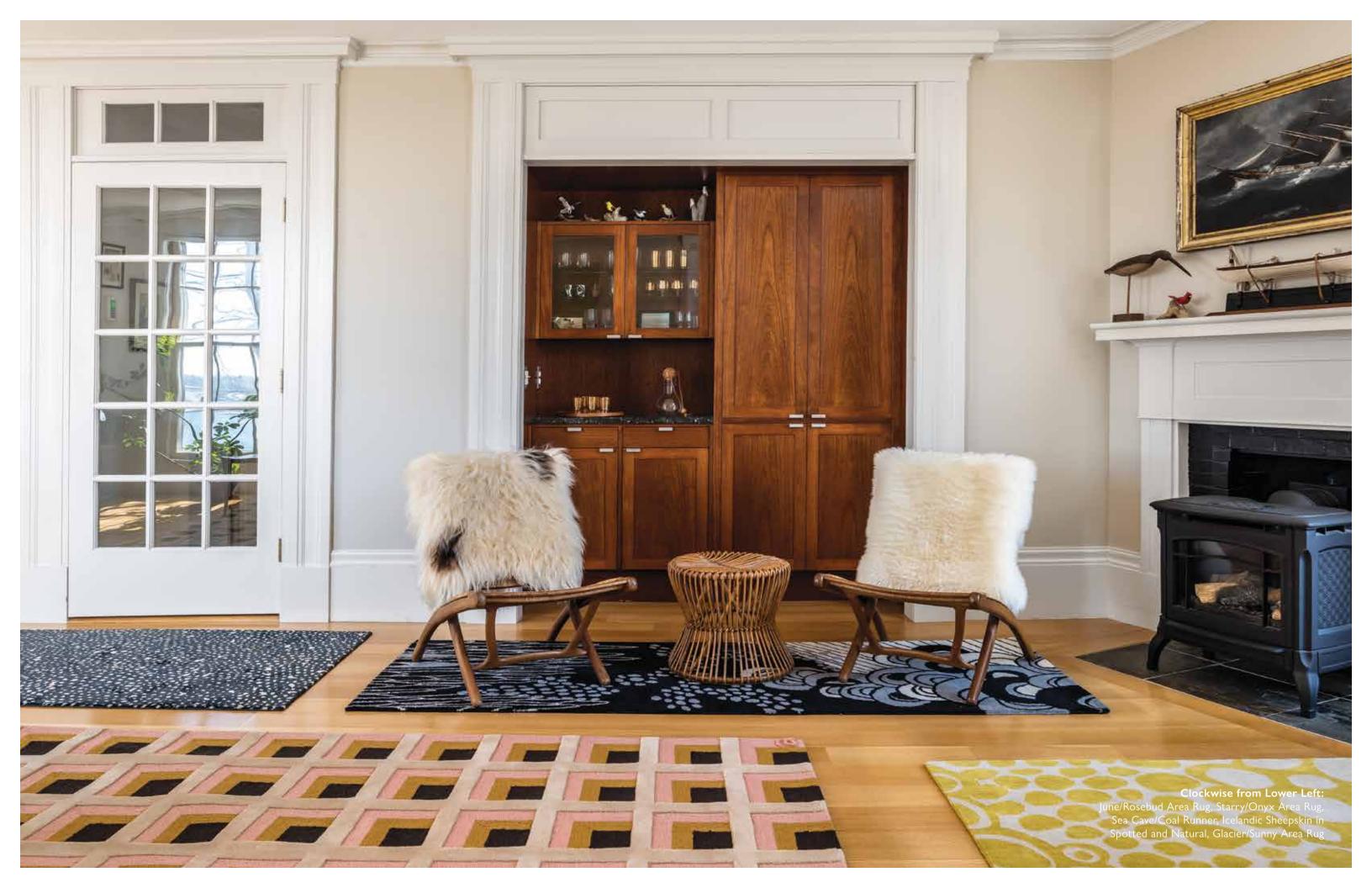
My art is a way of talking. I've always felt that dancing makes people wake up and feel better. I remember watching a woman who was sick and when she started dancing, I watched her soul start waking up and she started speaking differently and feeling better, healthier. I've always liked to put a bit of life into everything. I dream 20 dreams a night. I have noticed that when you get people and nature together, that we are closer, without having to say anything.

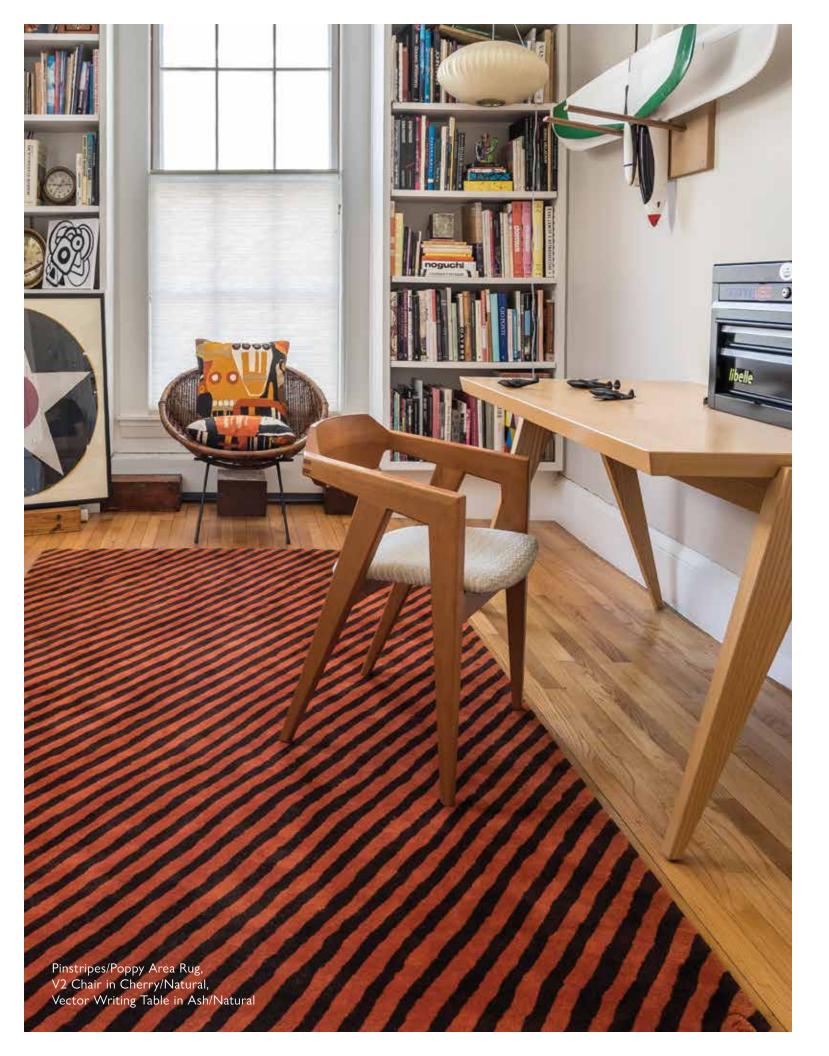
# Are there any colors, materials, shapes or patterns that come to mind when you consider your inner nature?

I have always loved movement and color. I grew up without much color. My mother didn't approve of it very much and I remember when I was young, wearing green and blue together. My sister warned me that my mother would not like it, suggesting they didn't go together. To me, green and blue live together. This place is made up of green and blue.

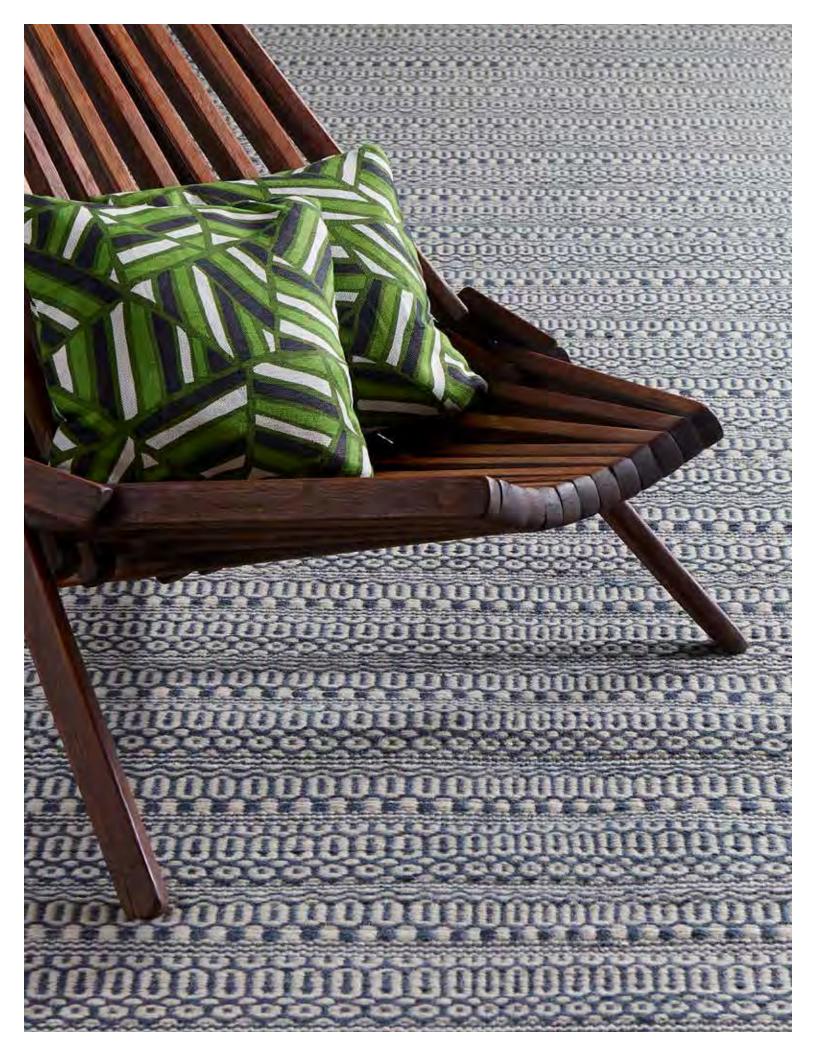
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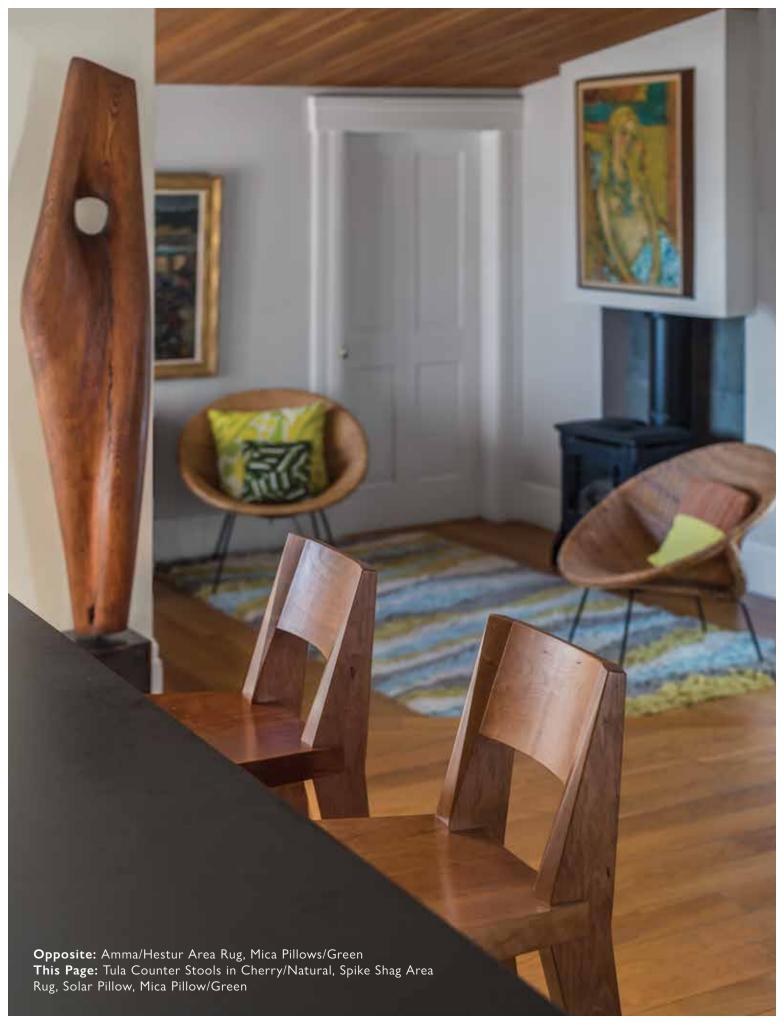
When I can feel myself smiling inside. I enjoy making people happy, but I don't set out to do it. It's most important, in any way at any age, to see the delight in things.













Garbo/Sapphire Area Rug, Moby Coffee Table in Ash/Amber, Merino Wool Woven Throw in Natural, Asteroids Pillow

## Bryan Brash,

#### Violist

#### How would you describe your inner nature?

My inner nature is built of two very essential elements. The ability to continue to find the absurdity in life, which manifests as resilience and my ability to find means of expression.

# Are there any colors, materials, shapes or patterns that come to mind when you consider your inner nature?

I'm afraid I couldn't choose specific colors or materials when considering how to express my nature. To choose is to exclude. If I exclude I may possibly miss an opportunity to find a new way to express truthfully.

#### When do you most feel like who you are?

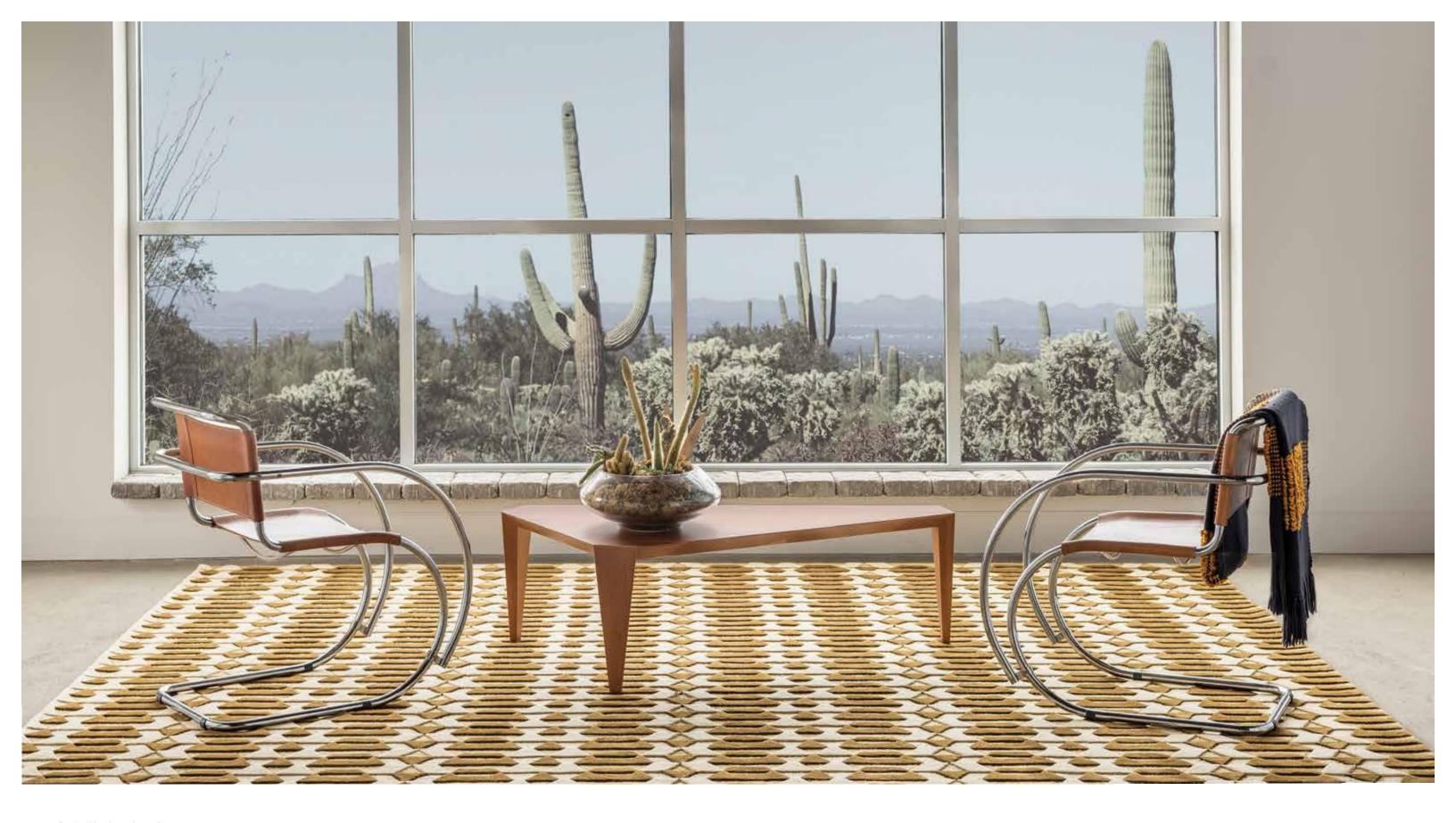
When I can most profoundly express myself through either fashion or playing my Viola.

### What three words would you use to describe your inner nature?

Stillness, willingness, and resilience.







Garbo/Amber Area Rug, Origami Coffee Table in Cherry/Natural, Merino Wool Woven Throw in Charcoal and Rust, Vintage Mies van der Rohe MR Chairs

# ZIVI STORY Arenal Area Rug, Merino Wool Woven Throw in Natural and Black, Vintage Lounge Chairs by Overman

#### Donna McNeil,

#### Curator

#### How would you describe your inner nature?

It has been a lifelong goal to self actualize. By that I mean there has always been an attempt, a longing, a hope, that my inner self, my true nature, my potential, would arrive fully to the fore. It's a spiritual and intellectual journey, an inquiry embodied.

## Are there any colors, materials, shapes or patterns that come to mind when you consider your inner nature?

I wrote my masters thesis on the color red and although I don't see my inner nature reflected solely in this most powerful color, it has been like a companion piece, my muscle. Red gets worn only when you feel you can own its strength, the pulsing life-force of it. Most days find me more muted. Greys, although they can signal storm, calm me like boulders, I feel quiet, just this side of white and contented, making no particular point, no splash, just being.

So I sit in a quiet color, all colors inside me muted by gray, not sadly, just quietly pleasing, awaiting the next red moment.

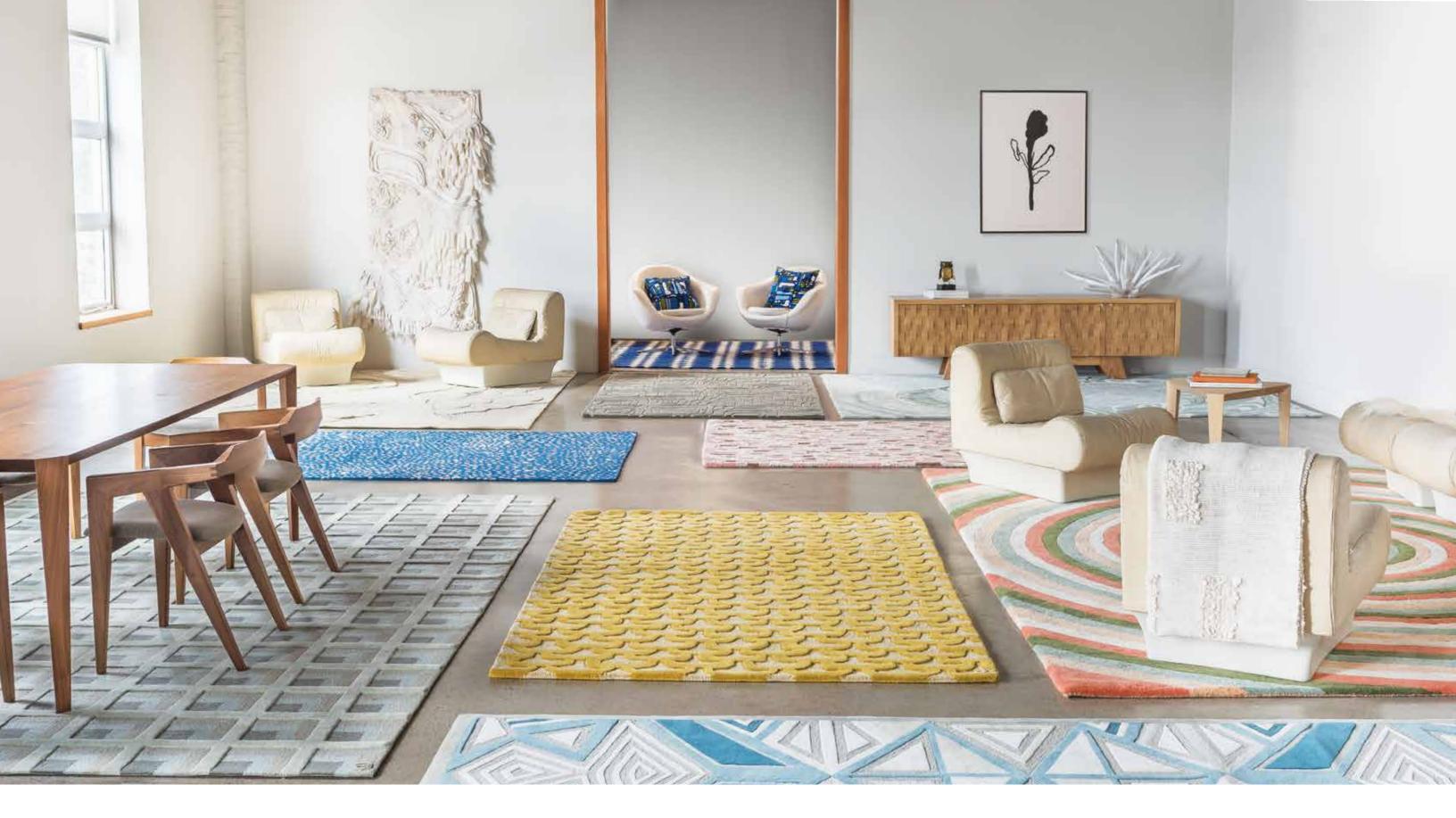
#### When do you most feel like who you are?

There are moments of perfect integration when I am relaxed and content, happily engaged in something creative or merely looking at something, anything that is so perfectly beautiful and harmonious that it exudes in me a kinship, a handshake of knowing grace. Then I am fully, happily, myself.

#### What three words would you use to describe your inner nature?

Explorative. Reflective. Fearless.





Clockwise from Lower Left: June/Morning Area Rug, Origami Dining Table in Walnut/Natural, V2 Chairs in Walnut/Natural, Starry/Sapphire Area Rug, Nebula/Glow Area Rug, Vintage Chairs by Otto Zapf, Moonrise Tapestry, Archie/Fog Area Rug, Garbo/Sapphire Area Rug, Astral/Flash Area Rug, Timber Sidecase in Ash/Amber, Downpour/Champagne Area Rug, Origami Side Table in Ash/Natural, Infinity/Daylight Area Rug, Vintage Sectional Sofa by Otto Zapf, Merino Wool Woven Throw in Natural, Betty/Honey Area Rug, Galactic/Celestial Area Rug



## **Antonio Luc Hernandez**,

Kid, Singer/Actor, Thinker

How would you describe your inner nature?

My inner nature is playful and excitable. I have ups and downs. I always hear music. My inner nature cares about my family, friends, people I meet and most everything around me.

Are there any colors, materials, shapes or patterns that come to mind when you think about your inner nature?

The color, material and pattern for me is a green wool cloth with a zigzag pattern.

When do you most feel like who you are?

I feel the most like who I am when I am on stage.

What three words would you use to describe your inner nature?

Playful, excitable and caring.



Continue the journey.



Based in Portland, Maine and founded by Maine native husband and wife design team Angela Adams and Sherwood Hamill, angela adams offers a full collection of unique, handcrafted modern area rugs and furniture.

Since the company's launch in 1998 each area rug and piece of furniture has been designed and handmade using traditional craftsmanship techniques. Our rugs are handmade by skilled artisans in India and our furniture is handcrafted by master furniture makers in our Portland, Maine shop.

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