

## A FRESH LOOK WITHOUT STARTING OVER

*“It's not the size of the roof that counts, but the way you live under it.”*



**M**ieke (pronounced “Meekah”) Gibson, owner of Saanti Design, lives and works by this principle.

Born in The Netherlands and raised in Belgium and France, Mieke brings an international approach to interior design, or as it is referred to in Europe, “interior architecture.”

Mieke does not believe interior design should be viewed through an elitist lens, and she works with each client with the goal of making that person fall in love with his or her personal dwelling or work space.

“I feel that everyone deserves the best atmosphere, energy, and setup,” said Mieke. “The best part is, it doesn’t have to cost a lot of money.”

While Mieke, an artist with a passion for centering her designs around nature, accepts interior design jobs all over the country, she believes that both the unique backdrop of the desert and the eclectic architecture around the Valley lend themselves to a wide variety of style concepts. Ultimately, however, Mieke’s goal as a designer is not to push clients towards the latest trends and the grandest projects. Rather, she brings her keen eye for design and her artistic flare with services ranging from full-scale redesigns to reworking a room and working with any budget.

“With my business, I want to break down the barrier of interior design as a ‘luxury’ service that only an elite few can afford,” said Mieke. “The way I see it is that anyone can afford to do this.”

No matter the amount of the budget, Mieke believes in helping her clients create a sense of comfort. In fact, the word Saanti itself means “peace and





Before



After

tranquility.” As such, her designs are centered around a sense of harmony with one’s environment, whether it’s their home, office, or a retail space.

“Whether a client’s design style is Colonial American, European, or completely modern, it has to be tasteful and it has to be comfortable,” said Mieke. “I get the most satisfaction from clients telling me they sleep better, enjoy coming home more, and that they can’t believe how much even the simplest touches changed their space.”

As an added element to Mieke’s services, clients can commission her artwork. Her specialties are acrylic paintings and mixed media pieces. Many times, fans of her artwork end up becoming interior design clients and vice versa.

“My paintings have a modern touch but the styles are different and can fit with any decor,” she said.

For Mieke, the greatest compliment she can receive from a client is hearing that she has helped turn a house into a home.

“Clients tell me, ‘I had no idea how beautiful my home could be until you came along,’” said Mieke.

Saanti Design is currently offering free consultations and 10% off services until the end of the year. For more information and to view Mieke’s online gallery, please visit [www.saantidesign.com](http://www.saantidesign.com). To schedule a consultation, call Mieke at (480) 818-8286.

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