

Q&A

# Holiday Traditions WITH SHAYLA COPAS

❖ **TELL US ABOUT THE CHRISTMAS BOOK THAT YOUR WORK IS FEATURED ON THE COVER?** It was written by Patricia McMillan and Katharine McMillan. Twenty designers around the nation were selected to talk about how we decorate our own homes for Christmas. The book features designers such as Christopher Radko and HGTV's Joe Ruggiero. I was honored to have my work featured for the cover, but even more honored to be featured among the other talented designers in our nation.

❖ **WHERE CAN THE BOOK BE PURCHASED?** The book will be sold at Tipton and Hurst in the Heights during the holiday season and I will be at their Holiday Open House on November 13<sup>th</sup> from noon to 5 p.m. for a book signing. I will also have a book signing on November 1<sup>st</sup> and a portion of the proceeds that night will benefit one of my favorite causes, the Children's Advocacy Centers of Arkansas.

❖ **WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE COLOR PALETTE THIS YEAR FOR CHRISTMAS DESIGN?** In 2016 we are seeing a large array of colors, but I would have to say my favorite is the gold, champagne and cream mixture. I love classic Christmas design and I feel the industry is going more in that direction. Gone are the days of overscale plastic balls and mesh. They are replaced with classic silk and velvet ribbons, detailed ornaments of a bit smaller scale, glass ornaments and flocked trees are trending this season.

❖ **WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE CHRISTMAS TRADITION?** We have so many wonderful traditions, however my favorite Christmas and Thanksgiving tradition is to share the holiday season with not only family, but with friends. We invite family and friends to our Thanksgiving and Christmas celebrations as that has always been special to me to see the mixture of friends and family enjoying fellowship around the table. You just never know who will show up at a Copas holiday meal as the guest list is always changing depending on who might be new to town and need a place to celebrate, or who might want to drop by for a toast before attending their own family gatherings. We love sharing our experiences and joy with others.



PICK UP A COPY OF THE NEW BOOK, **CHRISTMAS AT DESIGNERS' HOMES ACROSS AMERICA**, WHICH FEATURES SHAYLA COPAS' WORK ON THE COVER!

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