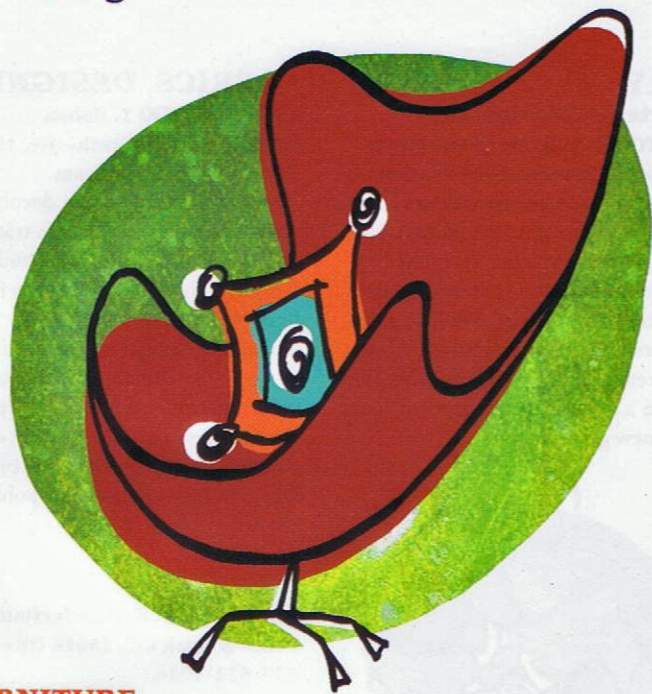


# Flooring—Furniture



## FURNITURE

### Modern

**READERS' PICK:** **CENTRO Modern Furnishings**,  
4727 McPherson, 314-454-0111, [centro-inc.com](http://centro-inc.com)

"This is the best source for modern furniture and plumbing and lighting fixtures in St. Louis." "CENTRO's products are cutting-edge on an international scale." "Todd Lannon and Ginny Stewart are among a small handful of completely professional and personable proprietors."

## FLOORING

### Wide-Plank

**EDITORS' PICK:** **Historic Floor Company**, 16630 Chesterfield Airport, 636-536-4500, [historicfloorco.com](http://historicfloorco.com)

Building a new house you'd prefer to look, well, worn? Want wide planks beneath your feet that have the veneer of history? Then you want to call Steve Lauer at Historic Floor Company. With hardwoods taken from the Mark Twain National Forest, they produce historically correct wood floors—right down to the hand-cut square nails they use to install them.

## FLORAL DESIGNER

### Fresh Flowers

**READERS' PICK:** **Bloomin' Buckets**, 9844 Manchester, 314-961-4040, [bloominbuckets.com](http://bloominbuckets.com)

"Wonderful designs, fresh flowers, and awesome customer service!"

"I've never been disappointed. Every arrangement Barb [Wehking] has done has been gorgeous."



**READERS' PICK:** **Scott Hepper**, Carriage House Florals at Diane Breckenridge Interiors, 501 S. Lindbergh, 314-727-2323, [breckenridgeinteriors.com](http://breckenridgeinteriors.com)  
(Editor's note: When the votes were cast, Mr. Hepper was still at Straub's. Now he's teamed up with Diane Breckenridge Interiors.)

"I never go to anyone's house for dinner without going by Straub's first to get one of Scott's arrangements." "His flowers are amazing." "I love his work. So creative. So different. So divine."

## FLORAL DESIGNER

### Faux Flowers

**READERS' PICK:** **twigs & MOSS**,  
7715 Clayton, 314-454-0447

"In terms of arrangements that are gorgeous months—if not years—after originally designed, I don't think you can beat twigs & MOSS." "Resito Pecson is an artist. Everything he does is simply amazing." "I love Resito's work because it is so striking. I've used him for fresh flowers as well as long-lasting arrangements. Everyone compliments me on them all the time."

## FRAMER

**READERS' PICK:** **Deck the Walls**,  
119 West County Center, 314-966-6965, [westcounty.deckthewalls.com](http://westcounty.deckthewalls.com)

"Artistic, out-of-the-frame thinkers!" "They listen to your needs, give great suggestions, and get the job done quickly." "Framing material and workmanship was remarkable." "Shari Miskov has excellent customer-service skills. She went out of her way to frame and deliver a project to me in Kansas City!"

## FURNITURE

### Children's

**READERS' PICK:** **City Sprouts**,  
6354 Delmar, 314-726-9611, [citysprouts.com](http://citysprouts.com)

"They pay attention to design." "They carry simple, modern, and really cool baby and kids' furniture. Many of the lines they offer have products that will grow with your baby, such as Stokke and Oeuf."

### Custom-Made

**READERS' PICK:** **Classic Woodworking Inc.**,  
9524 S. Broadway, 314-544-0121, [classicwoodworkinginc.com](http://classicwoodworkinginc.com)

"I love this place. Dave [Hutchinson] and his crew do a great job." "I designed it; they built it; I love it."

## French Country

**EDITORS' PICK:** **Three French Hens**, 16935 Manchester, 636-458-8033, [threefrenchhensantiques.com](http://threefrenchhensantiques.com)  
Jeanie Hood's voluminous shop Three French Hens, is packed to the rafters with all those pieces that conjure up Provence in midsummer. But if your look runs a bit more to the rustic side, she can meet you furniture and accessories need there as well.

## Gently Used

**EDITORS' PICK:** **Little Shop Around the Corner**, 4474 Castleman, 314-577-0891, [littleshop.org](http://littleshop.org)

We love contributing to a great cause. It happens simultaneously every time we step into Little Shop Around the Corner, a resale shop whose proceeds go straight into the coffers of the Missouri Botanical Garden. Families all across town donate households' worth of belongings here—and while the prices aren't cheap, great deals are to be had.

## Great Deals

**READERS' PICK:** **Weekends Only**,  
nine locations, [weekendsonly.com](http://weekendsonly.com)  
"For furniture that's really cheap but totally solid, there's no place better. I nominate this chain under Great Furniture at a Discount. I don't see that category listed, but it should be." "I needed a sofa fast. This was the place. Service was great, I had plenty to pick from, and they delivered it in a hurry." "I don't mind waiting until the weekend when the deal is this amazing."

## Knockoff

**EDITORS' PICK:** **Rod Glass Furniture**, 12706 Wynfield Pines, 314-822-4000

Brand-name retailers may not be Rod Glass' biggest fans, but cash-strapped homeowners go gaga for him. Show him a catalog or magazine tear sheet featuring a to-die-for piece of furniture, and Mr. Glass will find a quality, nearly identical piece—and sell it to you at wholesale price. One source outfitted her daughter's entire bedroom with pretty much a straight knockoff of Pottery Barn. By appointment only.