



Trends '18

The harmony of light and dark in Mikasa's new herringbone premium engineered wood floors from Greenlam Industries breaks the monotony of monochrom

Building facades will be made more interesting with unique designs and new materials. At the same time, there will a desire for unobstructed views of the outside with floor-to-ceiling windows in place of walls. Advanced solutions in fenestration with high energy performance glass are making this possible, and also providing greater security to homeowners. Large-sized windows that use low e-glass, reduce artificial lighting and prevent heat and harmful UV rays from entering inside.

Lighting design will extend to private homes to create dazzling effects. Smart and Connected digital lighting-based solutions will bring intelligent functionality into lighting systems to enhance user experience.

Offices will see a blurring of spaces with loosely divided or partially segregated public and private areas. Co-working offices with open-plan designs, modular office furniture for flexibility and optimal usage, and integrated with electronics, will change the way offices are used.

There will be increasing dependence on technology and software by architects, engineers, and contractors in the planning, designing, execution and in preventive maintenance of projects.

As always, changing consumer needs and growing awareness of the possibilities that architectural design can bring to their lives, will influence trends.

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