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WITH AN EYE FOR COMPELLING ARTWORK AND SINGULAR VINTAGE FURNISHINGS, NEW YORK DESIGNER **SHAWN HENDERSON** BRINGS A HANDSOME, DAPPER AIR TO HIS QUIETLY DRAMATIC INTERIORS



Henderson in a New York apartment he designed around such pieces as a 1920s Gerrit Rietveld armchair and Günther Uecker's 1964 painting *Eye*.

"DESIGNERS CAN'T BE AFRAID to have an opinion," Shawn Henderson says. "You need a strong point of view." Henderson has brought his to bear on projects as varied as a turn-of-the-century London town house, a stately loft in Manhattan's Flatiron district, and a seventeenth-century Parisian apartment graced with limited edition furniture.

Henderson, who moonlights as the design director of eBay's home and garden category, devours decorative arts history. His interiors are grounded in historical references, yet are light, airy, and functional. "I design for how clients lead their lives," he says. In our opinion, that's a good thing indeed. [shawnhenderson.com] — JEN RENZI

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