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“Good design should tell a story,” explains [Sheila Bridges](#). Thus, her portfolio of personal narratives for style-filled living—eclectic and worldly rooms that are also “[thoughtful](#), [timeless](#), and [functional](#).” An alumna of Brown University, Parsons School of Design, and Italy’s august Polimoda fashion school, the [Philadelphia native](#) and part-time Reykjavík resident has put her stamp on products too: Harlem Toile, her hallmark pattern, puts a bracing African American twist on the traditional French fabric and has been transmuted into wallpaper, fabrics, clothing (an October 2020 collaboration with Converse and Union Los Angeles), and furnishings (for e-commerce [site The Inside](#)).



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