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A Chicer Place to Shelter

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Maybe home renovation wasn't on your 2020 vision board, but after half a year sheltered in place, you've realized your place could be a more inviting place to shelter. The Bay Area's top interior innovators have been helping clients reconfigure, redecorate and reorganize their homes to accommodate all the roles (office! day care! gym!) a modern living space now plays. Here's what they're seeing in the field and how they're making magic happen at home.



A room by Jay Jeffers. (Matthew Millman)

Jay Jeffers: "Design-savvy people want a sanctuary — a place to live, work, eat and meet safely with small groups — mostly outside," says Jeffers. He also notes that open spaces are in demand, but privacy can still be achieved. "That doesn't mean adding walls — we need to get creative. Separate rooms with draperies that are lined so they muffle noise. Take out the nightstand in the master and add a desk. Add a drop-down screen to the dining room — instant boardroom!"