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Taking the guess and legwork out of any interior design or renovation, Moda Interiors have ensured their project management is structured to provide each client with ease and an enriching experience. The team, led by Creative Director, Kate Barakovska, possess a vast array of skills and endeavour to create dream homes that transcend their clients expectations.

Tell us a little about your background in design (education, experience, etc)

Kate Barakovska has a passion for creating elegant, made-to-measure living and work spaces for my client's. Kate Barakovska has twenty years of experience in the Interior Design Residential Interiors, and is committed to bringing the client's imagination to life. She is well versed in interpreting modern global trends and fusing them with a client's vision, budget, and expectations, to develop a perfect interior fit out. Kate Barakovska founded Moda Interiors in 1996 with the aim of providing client's with quality service, design expertise and a trusted team to deliver the desired results.

How would you describe your personal design style?

Liveable, elegant and curious, it is a blend of styles.

Where does your design inspiration come from?

My design inspiration comes mostly from the worldly people I meet, the stories they tell and the experiences they bring to the table. From travel and client's cultural differences. I am so privileged to have worked with some truly amazing people from around the globe.

In what direction do you feel that design is moving towards in a general sense?

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If you could offer one piece of advice when it comes to design schemes, what would it be?

If I could offer any advice it would be to allow your designer to push you out of your comfort zone to deliver better, and different than what you could achieve yourself. When it comes to design schemes - design for living, not for trends. Capture your lifestyle that reflects your past whilst living in the present and looking forward to the future. Allow for each space and room to tell a story and invite you in a unique way - do not settle for wasted real estate.

How important are The International Design & Architecture Awards?

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are super important, especially for one to spread their wings beyond the boundaries of their home cities. It gives us the opportunity to compete amongst the best in the world and to see up close and personal the international talent that we are not normally exposed to. Very inspirational.

What projects are you currently working on?

I am currently working on thirty-eight residential projects and two commercial projects. They are a combination of renovations/new homes and styling.

What are your aims and goals for the next twelve months?

In 2020 and beyond I will certainly be approaching design with a reuse, reduce and recycle in mind. Space planning is a huge part of my world - I believe there will be a strong focus on residences that incorporate working environments from home and multigenerational living homes. The need to provide clever solutions for interactive living.

In the next twelve months, my plan is to focus on high end ID consulting incorporating products and service for with exclusive offerings from international brands and artisans delivering to residences globally.

Final thoughts; tell us a little more about yourself and your daily inspirations:

Favourite Holiday Destination?

New York.

Your favourite hotel, restaurant & bar?

Hotel - Emirates Palace, Abu Dhabi.
Restaurant - Tulip In Geelong West.
Bar - Sky Bar at Marina Bay Sands Singapore.

Your favourite book, film & song?

Book - Losing my Virginity by Richard Branson.
Film - The Green Mile.
Song - Thinking Out Loud, Ed Sheeran.

Your favourite food and drink?

Food - Authentic Macedonian.
Drink - Gin and Tonic.

Your favourite way to spend an afternoon?

I am constantly busy, so my favourite is to spend quiet time with my husband and children at home.

If you weren't a designer, what would you be?

If I was not a designer I would definitely be a Social Worker or a Psychologist. I am all about helping people and giving. I receive a great deal of satisfaction by being able to change people's lives through my language of design.

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