



# Entertaining by Design tablescapes inspired by enchanted forest, wedding and 1920s Paris (slideshow)



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CLEVELAND, Ohio -- Let's look at more of the imaginative themed tabletop designs in

Entertaining By Design at the Ohio Design

Centre in Beachwood. This event, held this month, featured more than 30 themed tabletop

and entertaining vignettes created by local

designers.

Yesterday, ([https://https](https://blog.advance.net/cgi-bin/mte/mt.cgi?__mode=view&__type=entry&id=11634254&blog_id=3725)

[//blog.advance.net/cgi-bin/mte/mt.cgi?\\_\\_mode=view&\\_\\_type=entry&id=11634254&blog\\_id=3725](https://blog.advance.net/cgi-bin/mte/mt.cgi?__mode=view&__type=entry&id=11634254&blog_id=3725)) we looked at table settings inspired by the Tuscany woods, an icy and elegant Italian winter wedding and a formal garden party. Today, we talk to designers who imagined a 1920s Parisian brunch, a dinner party in an enchanted forest and an intimate wedding celebration.

I've included product lists so that you can shop like an interior decorator, but be aware that some showrooms deal only with professional designers.

**Design: "Bubbles, Brunch and LaBoheme: An Elegant and Fun Brunch" Barrie Spang with Lee Meier (<http://www.leemeier.com/%C3%A2%C2%80%C2%8E>) Interiors Inc. in Westlake. This entry won the Best in Show award during Entertaining by Design.**

Imagine sitting down to a lingering brunch at a 1920s Parisian apartment. As wine is sipped and macaroons nibbled, the guests -- Ernest and Hadley Hemingway, F. Scott and Zelda Fitzgerald, Gertrude Stein and Ezra Pound -- argue about literature, art and life.

That's the vision that Spang had in mind when she designed "Bubbles, Brunch and LaBoheme: An Elegant and Fun Brunch." Tiny painted portraits of each famous guest -- created by a friend of Spang -- were at each seat.

Her bold color palette teamed purple with orange, and the colors burst from a pair of exuberant floral arrangements of roses, hydrangeas and winter berries in white vases. "I envisioned all shades of orange and all shades of purple," Spang said.

Many designers used the space above the table to advance their theme. Spang hung

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round glass bulbs from the ceiling and filled them with pearls (“a nod to the 1920s,” she said), feathers and candles.

And, she assured me, those were real eat-them-now macaroons charmingly served in champagne flutes.

**Inspiration:** The romance of 1920s Paris.

**Coollest touch:** Champagne corks as place card holders.

**Steal this idea:** A rockin’ table setting doesn’t have to be pricey; Spang used purple glasses from TJ Maxx and her personal candlesticks, china and silverware.

**Partial product list:**

Accessories, paintings, faux fur throw, animal hide rug, pillows, china, silverware, linens, candelabra, stemware, dining room table, arm chairs, sideboard, chandelier, Étagère (furniture with open shelves), living room and bedroom furniture – Barbara Barry collection for Baker Furniture (**Baker Interiors**, (<http://www.bakerfurniture.com/>) several locations in this area)

Floral – **Al Wilhelmy Flowers** (<http://www.alwilhelmyflower.com/>) in Cleveland

Glass bulbs and ornaments – **Lee Meier Interiors** (<http://www.leemeier.com/%C3%A2%C2%80%C2%8E>) in Westlake

Oil Paintings, Salt & Pepper Shakers – **Mitchell Sotka** (<http://www.mitchellsotka.com/>) antiques gallery in Rocky River

Rug – **Atelier Lapchi**, (<http://http://www.atelierlapchi.com/>) Ohio Design Centre in Beachwood

Side dining chairs – Barbara Barry for Henredon collection (Baker Interiors)

Silver goblets – Personal collection

Veuve clicquot items – **Press Wine** (<http://www.presswinebar.com/>) Bar and Restaurant in Cleveland

**Design: “An Intimate Wedding Affair: Bespoke Nuptial Celebrations” by Dawn Cook, Dawn Cook Design** (<http://dawncookdesign.com/%C3%A2%C2%80%C2%8E>) in Shaker Heights. This entry won the Most Over-the-Top award given during Entertaining by Design.

Cook chose art deco glassware, a vintage birdcage, reclaimed wood blocks and letter-press invitations and menus for her conception of a head table for a very personalized yet Bohemian wedding. “Everything has a lot of texture,” Cook said; even

the table runner was embroidered with sequins.

Hues of plum, gold, blush pink, blue and chocolate created a warm, relaxed feeling. Cook even included wedding favors and an antique wedding dress from Miranda's Vintage Wedding Gowns. Silver-leafed beeswax candles and art deco candle holders added a touch of glamor that reminds guests that they are attending a very special dinner party.

**Inspiration:** Bohemian wedding.

**Coollest touch:** Napkins that look like a folded men's tuxedo shirts.

**Best theme tie-in:** A vintage hotel room key for each guest.

**Steal this idea:** Place a sprig of rosemary or another aromatic herb at every place setting to engage the senses.

**Partial product list:**

Bridal Gowns and Accessories – **Miranda's Vintage Bridal** (<http://https://www.facebook.com/MirandasVintageBridal%C3%A2%C2%80%C2%8E>) in Cleveland.

Chair pillow custom fabrication – Upholstery Pros in Cleveland, 216-431-7474

Embroidered fabric for chair pillows – **Knoll Textiles** (<http://www.knolltextiles.com/>)

Fabric for table – Castel Striped, Khiri, Marron (**Donghia Showroom** (<http://http://www.donghia.com/>) in the Ohio Design Centre, Beachwood)

Floral design and arrangements, bulbs for favors – **Molly Taylor** (<http://www.mollytaylordesigns.com/%C3%A2%C2%80%C2%8E>) Designs in Hudson

Glasses and candles – **Anthropologie** (<http://www.anthropologie.com/%C3%A2%C2%80%C2%8E>) (anthropologie.com)

Invitations & paper goods – Freelance graphic designer **Christine Wisnieski** (<http://christinewisnieski.com/%C3%A2%C2%80%C2%8E>) in Cleveland (christinewisnieski.com/)

Placemats, chargers, and napkins – **Sur La Table** (<http://www.surlatable.com/%C3%A2%C2%80%C2%8E>) in Woodmere (surlatable.com)

Plates, crystal, table accessories – Personal collection

Reclaimed sticks for display – **Reclaimed Cleveland** (<http://reclaimedcleveland.com/>) retail and custom furnishings company in Cleveland.

(reclaimedcleveland.com/)

Ribbon detail, vintage table and room accessories – **Borrow Rentals** (<http://http://borrowrentals.com/>) in Cleveland <http://borrowrentals.com/>

Rug – Geometric Borders, from Atelier Lapchi Showroom in Ohio Design Centre, Beachwood

Tablecloth and runner – **L'nique Specialty** (<http://www.lnique.com/%C3%A2%C2%80%C2%8E>) Linen Rental in Cleveland

Vintage serving set and birdcage – **Spaces** (<http://www.spacesconsignment.com/%C3%A2%C2%80%C2%8E>) Consignment in Beachwood

Wedding cake and delectables – **Hummingbird Bake Shop** (<http://https://www.facebook.com/HummingbirdBakeShop>) in Cleveland

**Design: “Evening in the Enchanted Forest: Dinner Party Under the Stars”** Marissa Matiyasic, Anne Raby and Angela Potts, Reflections Interior Design (<http://www.reflectionsinteriordesign.net/>) in Cleveland Heights. This design was the winner of the People’s Choice Award, chosen by a vote of attendees at Entertaining by Design.

You had to look up to fully appreciate this tablescape. Suspended over the table was a large chandelier made of magnolia branches draped with ivy, moss and twinkle lights. Fresh flower blooms and submergable lights in glass bulbs hung from ceiling, giving the feeling of being inside a fairy’s bower.

The tabletop’s outdoorsy palette of green and purple was inspired by flower arrangements of kale, mums and orchids.

“It’s casual, organic and magical,” said Marissa Matiyasic, one of the interior designers who created “Evening in the Enchanted Forest.” Loew’s Greenhouse helped to construct the branch chandelier, Matiyasic said; the ivy and magnolia branches came from her garden.

**Inspiration:** The table had a base that suggested a bird cage.

**Coollest touch:** Moss glued to foam core board and attached to the backs of chairs.

**Best theme tie-in:** Mats of real moss as placemats and wood slabs as chargers.

**Steal this idea:** Wrap gifts for guests in scraps of wallpaper to pull in interesting textures and patterns.

**Partial product list:**

Decorative glass bottle centerpieces – **Reflections Interior Design**

**(<http://www.reflectionsinteriordesign.net/>)** in Cleveland Heights

Dinnerware – Smoke Rings Collection at **Anthropologie**

**(<http://www.anthropologie.com/%C3%A2%C2%80%C2%8E>)**

Flatware – Personal collection

Floral and ceiling treatment – **Lowe's Greenhouse,**

**(<http://www.lowesgreenhouse.com/%C3%A2%C2%80%C2%8E>)** Florist and Gift Shop in Chagrin Falls

Mirror and butterfly artwork – **Gregory Alonso**

**(<http://www.gregoryalonsoinc.com/%C3%A2%C2%80%C2%8E>)**Showrooms in Cleveland

Napkin fabric – **Osborne & Little (<http://www.osborneandlittle.com/>)** fabric and wallpaper, “Lotus Flower” in the Designers Guild collection. Napkins sewn by **Draperly Stitch Cleveland (<http://www.draperlystitch.com/>)**

Hickory White Table and Chairs Hickory White Buffet -- **Gregory Alonso**

**(<http://http://www.gregoryalonsoinc.com/cleveland--oh.html>)**Showroom, Ohio Design Centre in Beachwood