# RACHELLE TOMLIN

## Interior Designer

Creative and disciplined interior designer collaborates with private and commercial clients to discover their styles, developing environments that grow from customer's natural preferences. Detail-oriented and conscientious project manager meets deadlines and budgets. Substantial experience in new and remodeled home and commercial space.

## Expertise

- Color Consultation
- Design and Redesign
- Drafting

- Rendering
- Sample and Color Boards
- Space Planning / Floor Plans
- Project Evaluation
- Logos
- Group Presentations

## Selected Professional Design Projects

## Blue Mountain Falls Nursing Home, Blue Mountain Falls, MT

2010

 Created plan for pleasing visual environment for resident and guest meals and gatherings in redecorated common areas.

## Park Place Mall, Blue Mountain Falls, MT

2008 to 2009

 Updated appearance of aging mall and integrated with look of existing businesses by proposing exterior structural, cosmetic, and color changes in three price ranges.

## Blue Mountain County Social Services, Blue Mountain Falls, MT

2006 to 2008

Drew floor plans to evaluate existing space for feasibility of private offices to help county decide between remodeling and building. Followed through with design and decoration of new offices.

### Sheriff's Office, Blue Mountain Falls, MT

2005

Planned space and drew blueprints for new evidence room, interrogation room, dispatcher area, and offices for sheriff and deputies after destruction of old jail cells created additional space.

## Her Fitness Center, Blue Mountain Falls, MT

2003

Attracted women to startup business by drawing floor plan, choosing interior colors, and sharing presentation board. Designed logo and ordered promotional items.

### St. Luke's Church, Blue Mountain Falls, MT

2000

Provided opinion on architect's choice of colors for existing church with storyboard presentation.

**Private home projects:** Great room design (photo on this page); handicapped-accessible design for split-level home; kitchen and addition floor plans; hands-on work on floors, walls, accessories, and landscaping.

#### **Interior Design Instructor**, University of Montana, Great Falls, MT

2000 to 2008

Taught adult education class on home-decorating design basics.

## Education

**CADD 1, 2 and 4,** Northern Community and Technical College, Blue Mountain Falls, MT, 2005 to 2006 **Bachelor of Science in Art / Interior Design,** University of Montana, Great Falls, MT, 1991

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## Testimonials and References

*Impressive knowledge and plans:* As an art teacher for 23 years, I am very impressed with Rachelle's art knowledge and abilities. When we constructed a new school here, she was instrumental in designing the art room. The plans she draws are clean, exact, articulate, and well defined.

### Vianne Persson

Art Instructor
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Excellent presentations: I invited Rachelle to serve as a guest speaker for one of the Extension Home Study Club program lessons. She presented information on the principles of design and color to the group and did an excellent job.

## Dorothy Larson

Regional Extension Educator Great Falls, MT 555.555.555 dlarson@gfmt.com

**Design, initiative, and creativity:** I have always been impressed by Rachelle's design know-how. She is highly motivated with a strong sense of initiative and creativity. She has numerous talents and is a trustworthy and sincere individual.

#### Bonnie Wynn

Family and Consumer Science Teacher, Blue Mountain Falls, MT 555.555.5555 bwynn@blue.com

**Pleasing and lasting results:** We built a second story on our furniture store, and Rachelle drew out our building. That has been at least eight to nine years ago, and it's still a "today looking" building. In our second project, a 16 x 26 addition to our house, she drew us a plan that tied together our great room and our old living room, so it wouldn't look "added on to." We are so pleased with the results.

## Joe and MaryAnne Wilcox

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Best Creative Resume

Rachelle's resume is written in U.S. English.

Context: Rachelle had worked for herself while she raised her two children in their small, rural hometown. Now, she wanted to work for a larger firm and earn a more stable income. She had a good reputation in her hometown and surrounding area for creative yet down-to-earth design. Rachelle needed to show one of her projects in an attention-getting resume. We knew we needed to make it unusual enough to draw a second look without being outlandish like something an "outsider" might present.

Action: We chose a photo of a great room project for the background with a simple border. It projected the look and feel of professional design with the casual warmth of the area in which she lived and worked. In a rural area, people know almost everyone, so we provided a list of her commercial designs that area employers would remember along with testimonials from people whose names they would recognize.

**Result:** Rachelle was soon happily employed with a local, high-end cabinet maker who creates hardwood and specialty wood built-ins.