

THE WATCH LIST

MARISSA WHITLEY TAGO

OWNER/INTERIOR DESIGNER

GROWING UP IN SPRINGFIELD, MO, MARISSA

Whitley Tago was a shy five-year-old who began organizing for neighbors on the weekends. That hobby grew into something that was more than a job — it became a large part of who Tago is, her history and her purpose. As owner of interior design firm The Whitley Co., her greatest challenge and reward is creating spaces that truly inspire or help motivate those living within them.

"My lifelong passion has been to be of service to those around me and I found that through people's things, magic happens," Tago says. "Each space is different thus each one challenges me in new ways, making my passion a labor of love, truly. I love simply listening and connecting with people. From there, I am able to incorporate what I have learned about them to work and transform their space into a true reflection of their lives through their interiors. Designing is my love language and I strive to make a positive impression on people's lives."

Being a business owner was always a dream of Tago's. She earned her Bachelor of Science in Interior Design degree in December of 2017. As a Navy wife and mother, Marissa has mastered juggling numerous responsibilities with her design career and wouldn't have it any other way. "I thrive having lots of irons in the fire! I know no other way!"

The Whitley Co. specializes in both residential and commercial design projects ranging from new construction to remodeling projects along with offering downsizing and liquidation services. "People need help with their stuff, simply put! We are here to be hands on and make sense out of chaos often times in interior spaces. We love to create cohesive and clutter-free places for our clients."

"From concept to completion, our only goal is to give our clients the chance to reflect on their lives," she says, "to then guide the process to transform their space into something as unique as they are."



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