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Designers Share Their New Year's Resolutions

From more sketching to less Instagramming, these are the goals creatives are setting for 2019

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A library in Sig Bergamin's São Paulo home—nary an outlet in sight.

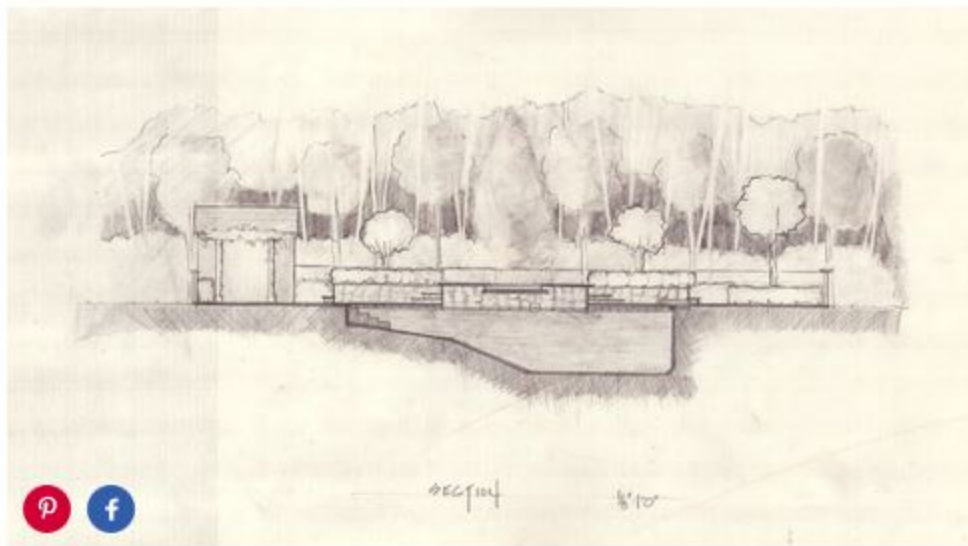
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As we round the corner of 2018 with the promise of a clean slate in 2019, the

Blaze Makoid, *Blaze Makoid Architecture*

"I have several resolutions for the New Year," says the Bridgehampton, New York-based architect. "The first is to focus on travel as a way of collecting ideas, cultures, and atmospheres, which I hope to pull from as inspiration. I also want to use travel time as a way to unplug and just focus on the actual travel; not the things that I'm away from when I'm traveling. In the new year I'm also hoping to draw more. I want to rethink how I work during the day, allowing for fewer interruptions to make for longer stretches to allow for deeper thinking. Lastly, I want to delete my personal Facebook account. I haven't used it in years, but I just can't seem to pull the cord completely—yet."



A hand sketch by landscape artist Janice Parker.

Photo: Courtesy of Janice Parker

Janice Parker, *Janice Parker Landscape Architects*

Parker also hopes to pick up the pencil more next year: "I want to make more time for hand sketching," she says. "This is something I miss, so I'm going to put down the iPad and pick up my pencil! I resolve to go analog: hand-write, -draw, and -sketch as a regular practice. It adds so much tangibility to my day-to-day life. Picasso [is said to have said], 'Learn the rules like a pro, so you can break them like an artist' and it's so true."