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I would like to declare Eclectisaurus the gem of Gerrard St East, and since this is my column I can more or less, within reason, declare what I like! I have often passed Eclectisaurus at 249 Gerrard St. East and assumed it was a little antique store specializing in 1930's Art Deco. Well as my dear departed mother would have said, "Never assume. Find out for yourself."

Eclectisaurus offers an impressive range of antique and contemporary furnishings, beautiful glass, ceramics, lighting, vintage technology and appliances, kitchenware, metal ware, jewellery, art, books, textiles, linen, drapery, even vintage clothing.

For me what makes Eclectisaurus so special is the exquisite good taste of owner Leslie Zysman. What interests Leslie most is contour, shape and design, regardless of the period, and as a result the items on display are fine examples of quality. Visit the website and watch the "Store Video" to give you an idea of what I mean. www.eclectisaurus.com

Leslie has lived in the neighbourhood since 1991 and opened Eclectisaurus five years ago. She has in her own words, "Received exceptional support from Cabbagetown South residents." Eclectisaurus offers a full range of prices with items starting as low as \$10.00. You can also buy selected items on-line if you prefer, but I highly recommend stopping by and viewing the complete selection. Leslie's knowledge and enthusiasm will spike your interest if you just want to browse, and help you make the right choice if you're in the mood to buy.

Eclectisaurus is open Wednesday through Sunday from noon to 7:00 PM.

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