Today’s fireplaces transform what was once a fundamental home necessity into a beautiful piece of art that’s often the focal point of a room, adding the utmost in ambiance to almost any room or outdoor living area. Ashton Woods embraces this paradigm as they strive to incorporate the principles of good design into each and every one of their homes.

“One of the fundamental principles of good design is harmony—an agreement between elements—and my favorite way to achieve it is with fire. Think about harmony as the play between light and dark, fire and ice, water and land, metal and wood, bold and subtle. It can be as simple as sunlight through a window or candlelight on the dining table. So in my mind, the ultimate form of harmony for the home is a new fireplace,” says Leigh Spicher, Director of Ashton Woods’ Design Studio.