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They may not be tub-friendly, but June Hunter's floral tiles are a great way to add a punch of colour to a room. For the last couple of years, the local artisan has been taking photos of her East Van garden and transferring the digitally altered images onto Italian marble tiles. She finishes them off with a simple coat of glossy acrylic and a hanger (\$25 per 10-centimetre tile and \$60 per 20-centimetre tile; www.junehunter.ca/). Hunter doesn't fire them like traditional ceramic tiles—that's why they can't be used to line your shower walls—but these decorative pick-me-ups can be placed just about anywhere dry. Hunter suggests hanging a row from the same colour scheme in the kitchen—the Red/Pink series is great for spring. Or if you have a naked (and narrow) wall space in the hallway, you could stack three from her Green series—"Bamboo/blue sky", "Lily of the Valley 2", and "Sago Fern 5" are standouts in this collection. At stores and galleries including Arts Off Main Gallery (216 East 28th Avenue) and GardenWorks at Mandeville (4746 Southeast Marine Drive, Burnaby). > Sarah Rowland

