

{ writer Lisa Skolnik }

# Mrs. CONGENIALITY

Drawing on her talent, charm and good manners, **Eva Quateman** has taken life's curveballs and turned them into stylish possibilities.

**J**ust like her trademark, the definitive fire-engine-red lipstick she's never without, Chicago interior designer Eva Quateman is bold, glamorous and decisive. She knows good from bad, right from wrong, and a deal from a con—and she'll let you know it.

She's downright charming at good and bad. Wear something that doesn't quite work, and she'll tactfully remind you how good you looked in that tailored skirt you had on the last time she saw you. The same taste and acumen is applied to everything from music and wine to schools and stocks as she blithely segues between business and personal subjects.

Right from wrong is also a snap. Faultless manners and an infectious laugh are her preventative medicine of choice; she uses them to smooth her way through some fairly strong opinions. Such as: her political views (but you have to meet her to get them; no prejudicing potential clients here), organic foods (the only thing to eat), the environment (everyone should use green cleaning products), leftovers (never) and designer handbags (a waste of dough).



*\*The living room of an art-collecting couple contains furnishings that are carefully calculated to showcase their holdings yet hold their own. The pieces are stylish, comfortable and elegantly proportioned to evoke a salon, and covered in colorful fabrics that don't compete with the art.*