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Bromstad on color

Got color questions? Just in time for spring redecorating season, interior designer David Bromstad, host of HGTV's "Color Splash," will be making an in-store appearance at Colori, an eco-friendly paint boutique in Wicker Park, to talk about the hippest trends in color and answer design questions from the audience.

Two 90-minute sessions will take place at 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. March 20 at Colori, 2243 W. North Ave. The event is free, but space is limited to 120 seats. Register online for a seat (colorichicago.com), or register in-store and get \$5 off one gallon of Mythic Paint, which is Bromstad's paint line.

Meantime, for a sneak peek, we asked Bromstad to offer some advice for the winter weary hoping to add a splash of spring color to their homes.

His color pick

"My favorite color to add a touch of spring to any room is definitely lime green, such as Mythic Paint's Florentine Flash," Bromstad says. "It symbolizes growth. It's fresh and energizing just like spring. It transcends seasons. You can simply add this color to any room by adding pillows, rugs, lamps, vases, artwork and most certainly by painting."

His quick-fix idea

Deciding to paint doesn't have to be a huge commitment of time or labor, Bromstad says. His prescription?

The accent wall. "Accent walls are the quickest and fastest way to bring drama and impact without the pains of painting the entire room."

His personal DIY

Bromstad, known for the paintings he creates on "Color Splash" says he's planning something similar for his own home. "For my next project at my home in Miami, I am going to paint two large pieces of art for my living room. The artwork will be bold, colorful and abstract."

—Alexia Elejalde-Ruiz,
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David Bromstad, above, says a splash of lime green, left, can give a fresh and energizing springlike blast to a room.

