

## FIRSTLIGHT HEAD



Keep your New Year's resolution to organize your workspace with these helpful hints.



Amanda Strauss, founder of Amanda Strauss and Associates interior design company Pick: The Container Store Library Office Document Box, Desktop File, and Magazine File

Why: These fabric-covered storage boxes hold both letter-sized and oversized papers. The Desktop File box holds odds and ends like paint chips or catalogs, and the Magazine File neatly organizes your favorite magazines on your desk. I also like that these containers are made from recycled materials.







June Saruwatari, cohost of TLC's Home Made Simple and owner of The Organizing Maniac Pick: Bedford 3-Drawer File Cabinet (\$279; 800-922-5507 or

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www.potterybarn.com) Why: Your home office should be as inviting as any other room in your house. This sturdy filing cabinet looks like a beautiful piece of furniture, yet it's fully functional. The top two drawers offer space for supplies, and the bottom drawer holds files. Plus, it has a tabletop that can hold a telephone and books or be used as a workspace.



Karen McAloon, host of HGTV's Design Remix Pick: Ikea Horizontal Cable Manager (\$13; 800-434-4532 or www.ikea.com) Why: Neatness is the key to an efficient

office. The cords around your computer, printer, and other office machines should be kept to a minimum and wrangled with a cord chase. Ikea makes effective and inexpensive ones. This model is slim enough to fit any space. -Ivette Manners

