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The Atlanta International Area Rug Market is open for business 9-13 January 2019, within the larger Atlanta International Gift & Home Furnishings Market at AmericasMart, Atlanta. More than fifty handmade rug brands will be presenting their latest goods right at the start of the year, making it one of the first opportunities to find out what rugs will be making their way on to floors in 2019.

The majority of note-worthy brands have permanent showrooms on site in hall B1, so Georgia is the place to get a really good impression of the stock from many important companies including Surya, Tamarian Carpets, Jaipur Living, Safavieh, Amer Rugs, Nourison, Loloi, Harounian Rugs International, French Accents, Creative Touch, and Anadol Rug Co.

We expect abstract geometric designs with a diagonal slant to show up in significant numbers, with the most popular colour palette being one of aqua and taupe with peaches and cream. These leanings are demonstrated by the new TK Weave pieces from Tamarian Carpets handwoven in Tibetan wool and silk and the new Farmhouse Tassels Collection by Surya, which uses an unusual texture like that of traditional Sardinian flatweaves. Jaipur Living's Monteclaire Collection *Shiloh* rug takes inspiration straight from that most 70s textile trend, macramé, which is currently making a comeback via the trend for hanging plants in suspended pots, and looks rather effective translated into knotted rug form.

Lisa Charkowick will guide buyers by offering a 'colour road map of the future' in a Pantoneview seminar on 11 January, which will answer the all important question: 'What colours are next?' Social media sales, licensing issues and styling tips are also on the agenda at other events.

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01 Farmhouse Tassels (FTS) Collection rugs,

02 Shiloh rug, Monteclaire Collection, Jaipur Living

03 Decko TK Jade rug, Tamarian

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