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hollyhock. Around that plant the filler, shorter flowering plants such as lobelia, petunias, pansies, and alyssum. Then surround that with something that cascades, such as potato vine, ivy, or creeping Jenny.

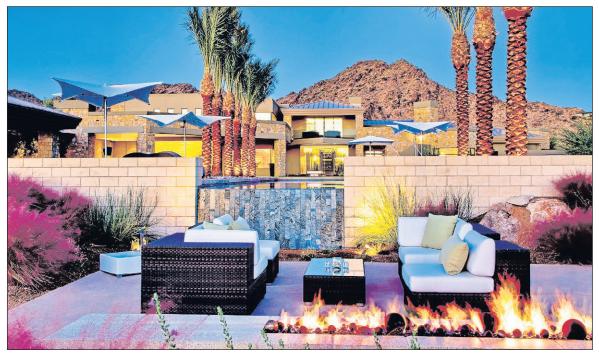
"Everyone will think your containers were professionally done," she said.

## **7. Light**

Once you've outfitted your outdoors, elevate it with LED lighting set to a timer. Pathway lighting is important for safety, while highlighting certain elements of the yard, such as a fountain or tree, adds drama. Strings of market lights say "party at my place."

Though I am not recommending this, Fishburne mentioned that new technology is available that lets your lighting pulse to your music. Candles add that last bit of magic. While I like to put real candles in my lanterns, Fishburne likes the convenience of battery-operated candles that she presets to turn on and off the same time of day.

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If your outdoor space isn't begging you to be there, fix it. Photo courtesy of Island Stone

