

4 Trends We Love from the Kips Bay Decorator Show House New York

22 designers and architects reimagined a historic Upper West Side house into a design-lover's dream.



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The [Kips Bay Decorator Show House New York](#) has officially made its radiant return after a three-year hiatus—and, boy, it's one for the books. A team of [22 acclaimed designers and architects](#) came together to transform the historic River Mansion on the Upper West Side into a design-lover's playground.

From fantastical bedrooms paying homage to the sky and sea to gathering spaces hot with spring fever, each room invites guests to escape from the bustle of urban life and take in the beauty surrounding them. Unsurprisingly, there's inspiration found everywhere in the show house's refined color palettes, riots of pattern, and sophisticated nods to whimsy. Here, we break down our editors' favorite trends from the Kips Bay Decorator Show House.

Not-Your-Grandmother's Wallpaper



"Good Spirits" by Ghislaine Viñas.

Nickolas Sargent

Time and time again, designers prove that wallpaper is an indispensable decorating tool, as it can add so much texture and interest to a space. Many designers at this year's show house gravitated towards more modern motifs and graphic displays that served as the rooms' bold headlines rather than a backdrop.

In the parlor, [Ghislaine Viñas](#) commissioned artist [Mark Mulrone](#)y to create felted murals that are placed atop a plaid custom-made wallpaper by [Wolf Gordon](#). The classic lines speak to the home's historic character, and the playful scenes bring in a youthful energy.