

April 23, 2009

New York Post Home

NEW YORK POST

BEST IN SHOW

Our favorite rooms
from Kips Bay 2009

By Katherine Dykstra

This year's Kips Bay Decorator Show House, a tribute to legendary interior decorator Albert Hadley, occupies a 20,000-plus-square-foot townhouse on the Upper East Side. Now on the market for \$75 million, the space (owned by real estate mogul Aby Rosen) had past lives as an art gallery and modeling agency. As a canvas for interior design, its spacious five floors garnished with original detailing were clearly inspiring.

The 37th annual Kips Bay Decorator Show House, which features more than 30 designers and artists, runs through May 17 at 22 W. 71st St. Admission is \$30.

Visit kipsbay.org for more information.



“I went into it thinking that we are in strange economic times, so it’s a very stay-at-home live/work/play loft lounge for the recessionist,” says Christopher Coleman about the adult playroom he designed for the top floor. With blue turg on the floors and patent leather on the ceiling, play is definitely in order. The polished steel ping-pong table with a glass net, designed by Rirkrit Tiravanija, is one of only four in existence. The floating shelves with resemble piano keys, can be kept vertical when not in use and pulled into horizontal position to store items.