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### Kips Bay Show House opens in New York

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NEW YORK - The annual Kips Bay Show House, known as the Academy Awards of the interior design biz, opened last week in a posh Upper East Side townhouse. Eighteen designers were chosen to redo spaces at the 1899 house at 161 East 64th St. that will be open to the public daily through June 4.

At the media preview last week, designers were waiting in their rooms to share the delicious details of their transformations. The fun of going through a house that has been so lavishly lavished is to see what design trends will be showing up in Elle Decor and House Beautiful over the next few months.

I loved Eve Robinson's Modern Family lounge with its luscious high gloss lilac ceiling, Andrew Suvalsky's dramatic peacock blue Powder Room evoking spring at night and Jack Levy's Sitting Room that reflects the theme of living in a fish bowl with awesome Fornasetti fish wallpaper. One more trend if you're looking for a hostess gift score: Succulents are everywhere.

Tickets to the 41st annual show house cost \$35 and the event benefits the Kips Bay Boys & Girls Club. More information at [www.kipsbaydecoratorsshowhouse.org](http://www.kipsbaydecoratorsshowhouse.org). Only in New York would they have to stress that "pets are not admitted."

