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IDEA TO STEAL: Rather than distract from a low ceiling, take a page out of Philip's book and give it presence. Wallpaper on the ceiling delivers an eyeful of pattern without taking away from the room's overall personality.



BEST IN SHOW

Tommy Smythe on the design stars behind New York City's Kips Bay Decorator Show House.

Photography by VIRGINIA MACDONALD

Christmas is great — but other traditions come once a year that are just as exciting, if you ask me. Viewed as “Design Christmas,” the Kips Bay Decorator Show House is one of those traditions. The home tour event is all about the spirit of giving (proceeds benefit the Kips Bay Boys & Girls Club, which funds programs for underserved youth).

Every spring since 1973, a mansion in New York City is transformed by North America's top designers. And that includes Canadians — Les Ensembliers (2016) and Powell & Bonnell (2017) have both contributed room designs. After a lottery determines most room assignments, the designers decorate their spaces and then, over one month, the entire house becomes the Western Hemisphere's premiere showcase of what's new from the greatest talents in the industry. I've been going for years and it never fails to deliver glamour, creativity and — let's be honest — ideas to steal!

Whether you're a design diva-in-training or you've been a decorating pro for ages, you'll want to plan a trip to the Kips Bay Decorator Show House this coming spring. What are you waiting for? Christmas?

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M is for... Marvelous Masterful Mitchell! Living the luxe life in this drawing room is easy when you're wrapped in Philip Mitchell's signature mix of colour and comfort. That means you're surrounded by artwork, books, a warm hearth and good friends — because people become addicted to spending time in the rooms Philip creates. There's even a dog bed! It's details like this that attract a loyal clientele and grab the attention of magazine editors (Philip and his partner Mark's N.Y. apartment was featured in *H&H* this year). Fellow designers enjoy his willingness to share ideas and his true passion for design (I brag about being his friend), which makes me think of another M word: mensch!

Produced by Morgan Michener/Photography by Virginia Macdonald (Philip's portrait)