

MAURICE SENDAK'S NEW YORK CO-OP ASKS \$3.15 MILLION

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Alyssa Abkowitz previews three lush homes, including Maurice Sendak's \$3.15 million New York co-op.

The New York cooperative apartment of the late Maurice Sendak, illustrator and author of "Where the Wild Things Are," is on the market for \$3.15 million.

Located on Fifth Avenue in Greenwich Village, the third-floor, corner unit has two bedrooms and two bathrooms. The kitchen and formal dining room overlook the building's private garden and there are other views of a landscaped churchyard. The living room has a wood-burning fireplace, casement windows and built-ins for artwork. Owners in the 70-unit building, which was built in 1929, include Chipotle Mexican Grill founder Steve Eells and retired Goldman Sachs executive Scott Pinkus, according to public records.

Mr. Sendak, who published more than 100 children's books and died in May, bought the apartment in the late 1970s or early 1980s, says listing agent Scott Harris of Brown Harris Stevens. With a main home in Connecticut, Mr. Sendak used the apartment as his pied-à-terre when he worked on his books, with the second bedroom serving as his studio. Displayed in the unit are several posters that he created, along with a doll from "Where the Wild Things Are" still in the original box. These items aren't included in the sale price, but Mr. Harris says he'd be "delighted to have that discussion if it makes sense."

The proceeds of the sale will go to the Maurice Sendak Foundation, which gives grants for artistic endeavors. Mr. Harris shares the listing with Barry Herbst, also of Brown Harris Stevens.

—Alyssa Abkowitz

BIG DROP: COLORADO HOME'S ASKING PRICE IS CUT BY 45%, TO \$9.95 MILLION

Arthur Allen, the CEO of Naples, Fla.-based software company ASG Software Solutions, has relisted his Colorado home and reduced its asking price by 45%, to \$9.95 million from \$18 million.

Located about 35 minutes outside of Denver, the 32-acre property has a 12,768-square-foot main house with four bedrooms and five bathrooms. It includes a media center, a wine cellar, views of the Continental Divide and a 2,500-square-foot master suite with century-old Chinese double doors.

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The property has a half-court indoor basketball court, a man-made creek and a two-bedroom carriage house above a stable with six horse stalls and a heated tack room.

Mr. Allen bought the property in 2005 for \$3.1 million from Colorado Rockies pitcher Mike Hampton. Mr. Allen then gutted it, spending about \$13 million on the renovation, says listing agent Tommy Latousek, of Joshua & Co. in Aspen. The property was first listed for \$18.75 million in September 2009 and was reduced to \$18 million in June 2012. Mr. Allen, whose main home is in Naples, is selling because he doesn't use the property as often as he used to, according to Mr. Latousek.

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FORMER SAN FRANCISCO HOME OF LEVI STRAUSS HEIRS ASKS \$11.25 MILLION

A William Wurster-designed home in San Francisco's Pacific Heights neighborhood that once belonged to the late philanthropists Evelyn and Walter A. Haas Jr. is for sale for \$11.25 million. Mr. Haas was the great-grandnephew of Levi Strauss and served as president and chief executive officer of Levi Strauss.

Seller John McLaughlin, an Internet entrepreneur, paid \$4.7 million for the house in 2011. Mr. McLaughlin then spent "about four times what he was quoted" on a one-year remodel that included the excavation of the basement and taking the interiors down to the studs, says listing agent Gloria Smith, of Sotheby's International Realty.

Built in 1938, the 4,953-square-foot home has views of the San Francisco Bay and a Thomas Church garden. It also has four bedrooms, four baths, two half-baths, an elevator, a media room and European oak floors. The conservatory includes honed granite floors, and the bathroom walls are done in tadelakt, a limestone plaster.

Based in New York, Mr. McLaughlin bought the house because his daughter was planning to go to school in San Francisco, but her plans have changed, says Ms. Smith.

Ms. Smith shares the listing with Jon Taylor, also of Sotheby's.

—Sarah Tilton