

CONTEMPORARY QUARTERS

944 CLIMBS INTO THE INTERIORS OF FOUR
INSPIRING ANGELENOS' HOMES

by **LINDSEY ADAMS**

Name: Sven Altmetz

Occupation: Co-founder in the COMUNE (men's apparel brand), furniture builder, co-founder of ZENO supper club, amateur hand model, plus a little of this and a little of that.

Location: Venice, California

The home's history: Old automotive garage turned live/work/creative/event/break dance studio space.

Years lived in: One year, going on 10 in the making.

My style: I like to mix the clean contemporary lines with a handcrafted rustic twist.

Inspiration: Seeing change and making it a part of your daily life.

Favorite element: Driving my motorcycle into my living room.

Biggest challenge: Staying warm.

Favorite resources: Swap meets, yard sales and dumpsters.

Biggest indulgence: Spreading Nutella on top of chocolate and sharing my time with friends.

Favorite room: The entire place is the same room, so my favorite would have to be the outdoor shower.





Name: Niels Marc Kantor

Occupation: Art Dealer

Location: Beverly Hills, California

The home's history: Mid-century home designed by prominent mid-century architect Hal Levitt.

Years lived in: Twelve years.

My style: California Contemporary.

Inspiration: Art.

Favorite element: The open space and light.

Biggest challenge: Keeping to its original integrity.

Favorite resources: Orange, Gallery Half, Jason Arnold for Modern, Flee Markets.

Biggest indulgence: Art.

Favorite room: Kitchen.

Color scheme: Clean white.

Name: Tofer Chin

Occupation: Artist

Location: Los Angeles, California

The home's history: My home was remodeled about five years ago and is located in Thai Town.

Years lived in: Three.

My/our style: Mid-century modern, filled with paintings, photos, books, brushes, paper, pencils and lots of chairs.

Inspiration: Being practical. Seventy-five percent of my home is my studio, where I paint and make things. I'm forced to constantly clean and rearrange my place.

Favorite element: The abundance of natural light.

Proudest DIY: From the moment I stepped foot on the property, envisioning this place as a work/live space and successfully making it happen.

Favorite resources: Square One, Trader Joe's, Gelsons, Home Depot, Osh and Barnsdall Art Park.

Favorite room: My bedroom. In the summer, my front yard.

Color scheme: Lots of color, with black, white and earth tones.



Name: Tracy McMillan

Occupation: Memoirist and TV writer

Location: Los Angeles, California

The home's history: In 2005, my then-husband and I put in a bid on the house, but someone else got it. Just as well, because we split up soon after. In 2009, I saw it listed again, made an offer and got it. I guess it was meant to be mine.

Years lived in: Less than one.

My style: Eclectic. If you like every object in the room, it will all fit together somehow.

Inspiration: The view. It's like a work of art that is alive and constantly shifting.

Favorite element: My vaulted ceilings.

Favorite resources: I like second-hand stores. Vintage things have a story, and I love a good story.

Biggest indulgence: The baby grand.

Favorite room: I love my living room. The light, the space, the view: it's like a really comfortable, heated treehouse.

Color scheme: I like the variety of that comes from my books, photographs, paintings and personal objects.