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# Brigette Romanek creates a sun-soaked retreat



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*A season of missed industry shows spurred our editors to reimagine Business of Home's guide to High Point Market, focusing on the inspiration journey that design professionals need now. In addition to revealing the latest product introductions, trade shows are often an essential source of inspiration. We asked eight designers to dream up a room featuring pieces they would have discovered at High Point this spring. Here is the first in the [series](#).*

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From the hills of Los Angeles comes this warm living room by **Brigette Romanek**, whose creativity and love of interiors led her to start her design firm in 2018. By day, the windows in this sun-soaked retreat provide hours of shadow-play thanks to the geometric pieces that fill the room. By night, perched over a constellation of city lights, the space becomes a place to recharge.



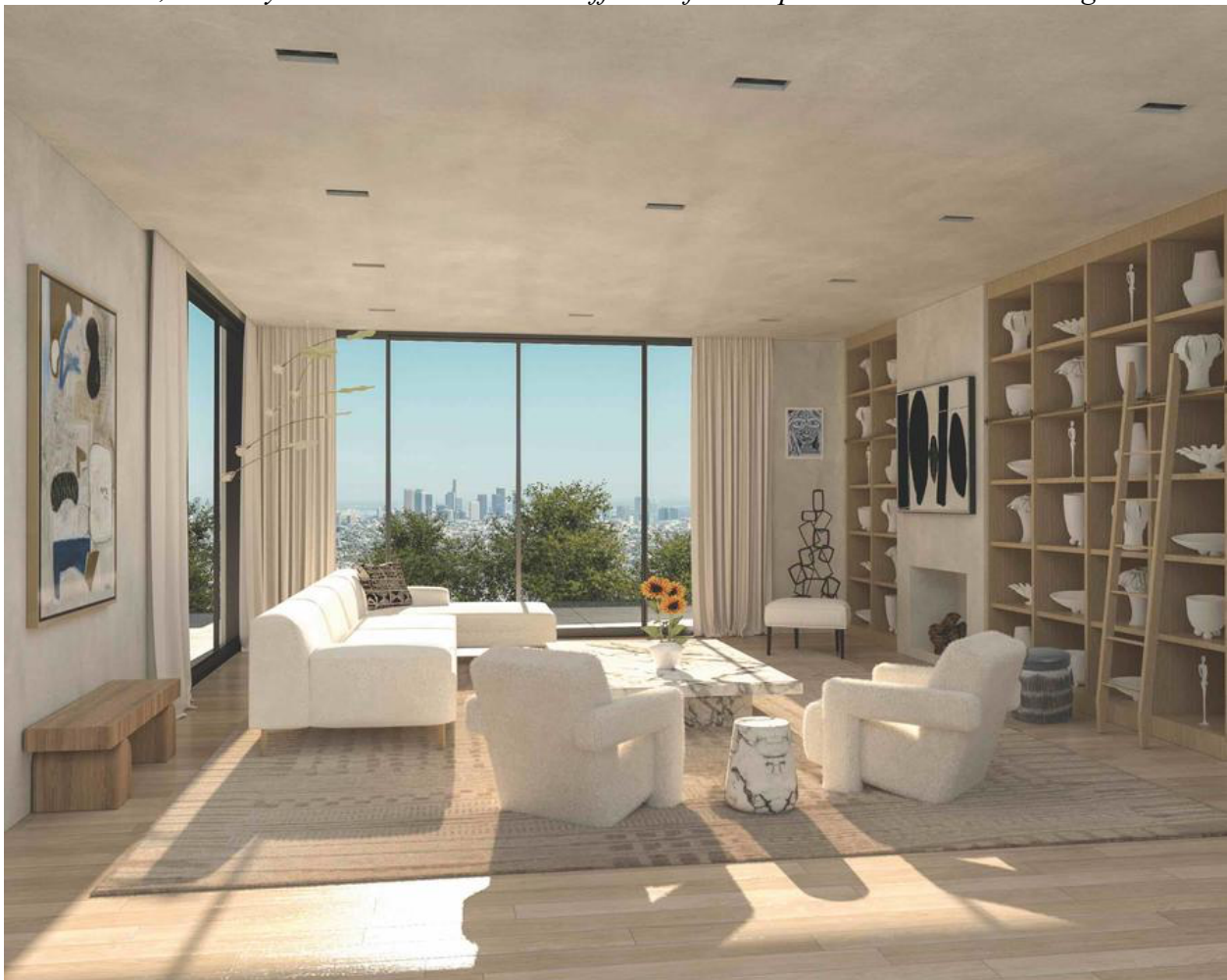
*Brigette Romanek* Courtesy of Romanek Design Studio

**What was your starting point for this space?** The space itself—the energy, the feel, the surroundings of a living room that’s in the hills of Los Angeles, in the clouds. I didn’t study design, but from the moment I was born, I had an innate love of design and composition—a heightened sensitivity to what kinds of environments made me feel good or bad.

**Did you have a client in mind?** It’s for a client that is busy and needs a refuge—a quiet, beautiful, peaceful place full of their favorite things. It makes a strong design statement but is still soft.

**Where are you looking for inspiration these days?** My library, the internet, the outdoors, art, conversations—life. Someone was saying to me how they wanted to take a few days off to look at things in a new light. But for me, I’m just inspired by every single thing. It sounds corny, but it is genuinely the truth.

*For more from Brigette Romanek, check out her interview in our [50 States Project](#), where she tells BOH what it’s like working with famous clients, how being named to the [AD100](#) changed her business, and why she makes a conscious effort to find inspiration in the little things.*



*How she did it: Using Revit design software, the L.A.-based Romanek created a photorealistic rendering, complete with relaxing afternoon rays and shadows.*

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5. Dramatic marbling takes center stage in Sunpan’s gray-and-white-swirled *Aries* side table.