

Kips Bays, Scalo's Way

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Westport-based interior designer Lynne Scalo has taken her inimitable brand of well-curated glamour to the revered Kips Bay Decorator Showhouse, and made her first foray into fine art at the same time.

"Artistically, this has been one of the most exciting things I've ever done," says Scalo, who created the piece Business Art in a collaboration with Norman Seeff, an LA-based photographer known for capturing images of rock 'n' roll stars and other celebrities, among them Steve Jobs, for her room.

"I love black-and-white photography. There's something so chic and sophisticated about it. And I'm really fascinated by people who are exceptional, iconic, who go beyond what the world thinks is possible, people who excel." The designer combined these interests with her love of street art—"There is something so real about it, the need to express one's impression of the world," she says—to make one perfect piece, with Seeff providing the portraits and Scalo putting her spin on them

"As you can see, Kips Bay inspired me to do my thing, which is always centered around art, literature, and a very well-edited mixture of simplicity and glamour," says Scalo. If you're a fan, you're in luck: You can get your hands on one of the twenty-five limited editions of her piece, which will be exclusively sold at Lynne Scalo Design, 23 Jesup Road, Westport, 203-222-4991, lynnescalo.com.