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Over-the-top mansion

By LISA BOONE >>> With its saturated colors, chrome-plated furniture, pink feathery plumes and outrageous animal-shaped chairs (ghoulish octopus, goth rhinoceros), the latest makeover of Greystone Mansion into a decorator show house isn't exactly a lesson in try-this-at-home design. ¶ No matter. ¶ Visitors who appreciate over-the-top experiences will find plenty in the Fendi Casa mirror TV, the crazy color combinations (red and turquoise in a tribute to Italian fashion designer Valentino), the patterned wall applications and the opulence loaded into the sprawling 1928 Tudor mansion. ¶ Event organizer Design House International invited local designers to pay tribute to "titans of business" who have influenced them, a list that includes Muppets creator Jim Henson, furniture designer Phyllis Morris, early media mogul William Randolph Hearst and singer-songwriter Stevie Wonder. ¶ The result is a colorful tour that is a departure from reality.



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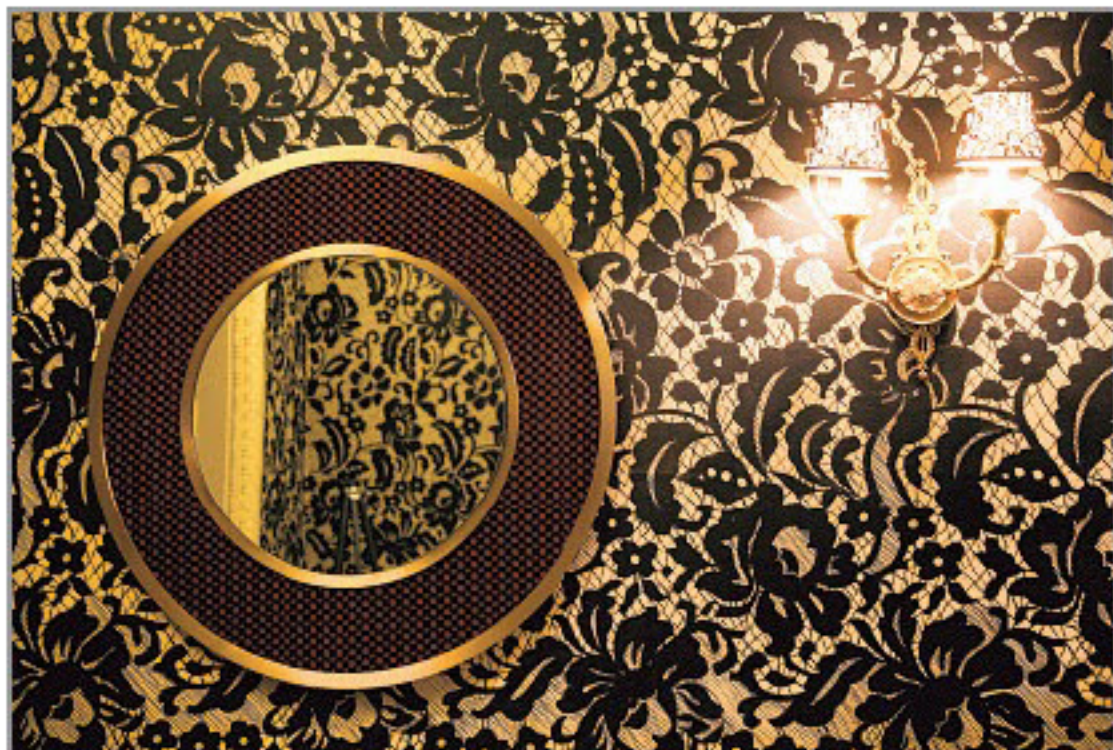
ROSIE DULBANDZHYAN of Maviar Design outfitted the breakfast room with Kelly Wearstler furnishings and accessories. The chandelier is by Lindsey Adelman.



THE TEAM of Joannes Van Laer and Lucas Schelkens placed a custom pendant composed of tiny 1-watt bulbs, which Van Laer says are commonly used on bicycles, in the upstairs landing.



THE GENTLEMAN'S BATHROOM features Lelievre fabric installed by Francois Jantzen of Modoo Modoo Interior Design.



FRANCOIS JANTZEN said the pattern in a downstairs hallway was made by enlarging a lace pattern, creating a stencil, then having an artist fill out the design with freehand painting.



MARC THEE of Marc-Michaels Interior Design created this room to make man's best friend feel right at home.