



Laurence Carr Debuts Restorative Room at 2019 Hampton Designer Showhouse

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Laurence Carr's design philosophy is all about sustainability, mindfulness, and positivity. Visitors can now see the French-born, New York-based interior designer's latest holistic vision come to life through "The Restorative Room," part of the 2019 Hampton Designer Showhouse in Southampton, NY.

For this year's event, a charity benefit supporting the work of Stony Brook Southampton Hospital, Carr wanted to create a tranquil and harmonious living space that invites guests in to relax, away from the New York City bustle.



Laurence Carr. Photography via House Tipster

"The Hamptons are an escape from the hectic pace of our city life, and I wanted to create a space that amplifies the serenity of a renewing weekend in Southampton," Carr shared in her show notes. "Internal peace and harmony contribute to our physical wellness, and this ripples out from each of us into those around us."



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"I believe that we can positively impact the entire world by nurturing our inner well being, and this is why I put a deep focus on supporting my clients' design goals from the inside, out," Carr added. "I envision this room as a spot for quiet meditation, a sun salutation or two, reading, reverie, or whatever practice facilitates inner peace for the visitor so that they leave feeling restored."

The House Tipster Industry team caught up the designer at a special press preview unveiling event, where she explained why it was so important for her Hampton Showhouse room to be a soothing oasis.



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“The concept of this room has been taken from the Japanese philosophy of ikigai, which is about the sense of fulfillment for well being,” Carr told us. “So I decided to create a space that would be about really enjoying small things, small moments, and small details. Then it would take us away from the thought of every day.”

To bring her Hampton Designer Showhouse space to life, Carr worked with a variety of luxury brands and artists to fill her room with globally-sourced element, like hand-sewn silk textiles as draperies, sustainably eco-sourced art, and inviting arm chairs for guests to sink into.

This list of fine vendors includes Maison Gerard, Saint Louis, Tucker Robbins, Coco-Mat, Garrett Leather, Castel, Sofia Willemoës, Maki Yamamoto Textiles, Farrow & Ball, Tepp Team, Brooklyn Healing Arts, Lilee Fell Flowers, and English Country Antiques.

To take a virtual tour around Laurence Carr’s room, and to hear more about its inception from the designer herself, be sure to check out our exclusive video recap here.

Stay tuned for more designer spotlights and exclusive interviews from the 2019 Hampton Designer Showhouse, coming soon to House Tipster Industry. To take a sneak peek into the whole home, be sure to catch up with our introductory video here.