

Real Estate Dirt

WWD'S WEEKLY ROUNDUP OF THE GOINGS
ON IN THE PROPERTY WORLD.

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Celebrity Movers

1. MICHAEL KORS

Michael Kors may have been busy preparing for his star-studded Valentine's Day fashion show with Blake Lively, Emily Blunt and Zendaya among the A-listers in the front row, but that didn't stop him from making real estate moves in his downtime.

The 58-year-old designer just sold one of his two apartments in Manhattan's West Village to a mystery buyer masked through an LLC for \$7.6 million in an off-market deal, according to property records.

Unfortunately for those hoping to take a peek at the former "Project Runway" judge's no doubt stylish interior designs, there are no listing images of the apartment because it wasn't publicly listed for sale.

In fact, little is known about the abode apart from that it has two bedrooms, 2,224 square feet of indoor living space, a lavish 1,500-square-foot landscaped terrace with impressive city views and that the previous owner was comedic commentator Jon Stewart, who sold it to Kors for close to \$4 million in 2005.

The apartment is housed in The Greenwich, a 12-story pre-war building that fittingly for Kors started life as a department store and was turned into a 67-unit condominium building in 2001. The building includes a doorman, a roof deck for residents with 360-degree panoramic views of the city, a gym, as well as a children's playroom, among other amenities.

Kors and his husband, Lance LePere, have



Michael Kors just sold his condo in this West Village condominium.

reportedly upgraded to a penthouse at the Greenwich Lane complex, where they can count the likes of fellow designer Tamara Mellon as neighbors. They are thought to have paid somewhere in the regions of \$17 million for it.

2. TOMMY HILFINGER

Tommy Hilfiger's "scratch and sniff" Miami manse just got another markdown, but you still need to be a multimillionaire to buy it.

The colorful Pop Art-themed Golden Beach abode is now on sale for \$23.5 million and while it's certainly not a bargain, it's still a better deal than the \$27.5 million price tag the house had when it hit the market a year ago (it got another price cut in between).

Hilfiger and his wife, Dee Ocleppo Hilfiger, paid a little over \$17 million for the

seven-bedroom oceanfront spread in 2013 and have put their own stamp — and smell on it — with the help of famed interior designer Martyn Lawrence Bullard.

Indeed, the results can be described as a work of art, with many of the rooms in the modern structure decorated in vibrant candy colors, such as a psychedelic red movie theater and Pop Art-style bedrooms, solidifying the Sixties/Seventies disco theme.

Hilfiger's office, meanwhile, has been decked out in the namesake retailer's recognizable blue, red and white colors, while his vast and impressive art collection, including pieces by Andy Warhol, Keith Haring and Jean-Michel Basquiat, is displayed throughout the house (but of course, not included in the sale).

And it's not just the vibrant colors that hit the senses,

as several guest bathrooms even feature scratch-and-sniff fruit-flavored wallpaper.

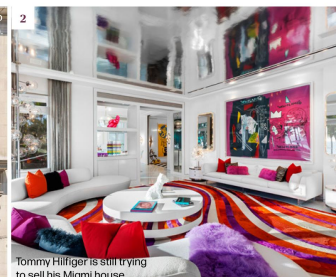
"I told Martyn, 'If it's not shagadelic or groovy, it's not coming into the house,'" Dee Ocleppo Hilfiger told Architectural Digest when their house appeared on the magazine's cover a few years ago.

3. VINCE CAMUTO

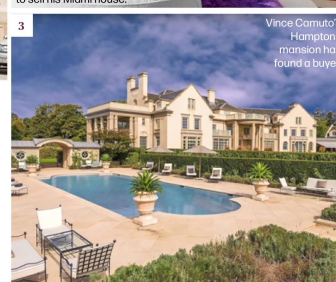
A mystery buyer has scooped up late shoe king Vince Camuto's lavish \$72 million Hamptons mansion after a decade on and off the market.

The multimillionaire Nine West cofounder and his wife, Louise Camuto, bought the then badly run down 15-acre estate called Villa Maria in Water Mill, N.Y., in 2005 for \$35 million and carried out a massive renovation, taking five years in total.

The Camutos first tried to sell the 19th-century



Tommy Hilfiger is still trying to sell his Miami house.



Vince Camuto's Hamptons mansion has found a buyer.

mansion, which at one point in its history served as a convent for the Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville, for \$100 million in 2008, but one can only assume the financial crisis thwarted their plans.

Since then it has been on and off the market at several different prices and after Camuto died in 2015, Swedish-born Louise tried again, putting it up for sale the following year for \$72 million with Hamptons-based brokerage

Bespoke Real Estate.

A buyer has finally bit and although their identity and the final price paid won't be revealed until the sale has closed, one thing is certain — their new home is pretty spectacular.

As well as boasting 1,100 feet of waterfront and views of the Mecox Bay, the estate includes a four-story, 20,000-square-foot mansion with 11 bedrooms (including a six-room master suite), no less than 12-and-a-half bathrooms and a light-filled atrium.

House of the Week

As husbands go, Too Faced cofounder and chief creative officer Jerrod Blandino, is a pretty generous one. Not only did he buy his husband a 1937 Beverly Hills house as a 20th anniversary gift, he also fully decorated it before handing over the surprise.

In the spirit of full disclosure, though, his husband, Jeremy Johnson, who cofounded Too Faced with Blandino in the Nineties and is the beauty giant's chief executive officer, is also extremely generous, gifting him a 21-karat custom Cartier diamond for the special anniversary.

But back to the house in question. After buying the two-bedroom home from Who What Wear cofounder Katherine Power for \$2.44 million, Blandino hired interior designer Robin Strickler from Orange County-based Design Works to deck it out in his and Johnson's signature style, while maintaining its old Beverly Hills charm.

"I completely remodeled and decorated it so it felt a little more like us. I wanted it to be a glamorous place where we could have a cocktail with friends and to celebrate," he told WWD. "It has a very

happy Champagne with a swizzle stick retro glamorous style to it."

And their beauty brand, which they sold to The Estée Lauder Cos. Inc. for \$145 billion in 2016, was the main inspiration for the redesign, with Blandino saying that fans would instantly recognize it as their home thanks to the color hues, modeled on the brand's products, which have proven to be extremely popular with Millennials.

"Every single color in the home is based on a product from Too Faced," he said of the company, known for its cult



The Beverly Hills house of the Too Faced founders.

products such as its "Better Than Sex" mascara, "Born This Way" foundation, "chocolate" bronzer and peach eye shadow sets.

The house was meant to serve as a pied-à-terre for when they were in Los Angeles, but they have decided to part ways with it as they

spend most of their time at their Newport Beach home, which is close to Too Faced's headquarters.

"Honestly our lives don't allow us to get there as often as we want. The last time we spent a night there was last March. Unfortunately our little pied-à-terre hasn't got much use so that's why we're letting it go. It's such a special house I feel bad that it just sits there," Blandino said.

The house is listed for \$3 million with brokers **Tracy Maltas** and Gina Dickerson, both of Douglas Elliman Real Estate.

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\$120M

A Malibu home was just sold for \$120 million, making it the most expensive residential sale ever in Los Angeles.
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