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## Julia B. Fee Sotheby's International Realty Lists Bronxville's Most Colorful Home

Historic residence features the creative signature of its artist owners

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**Bronxville, N.Y. – February 19, 2015** – Julia B. Fee Sotheby's International Realty (http://www.juliabfee.com/eng) announced today that the firm has listed a historic property (http://www.juliabfee.com/eng/sales/detail/228-l-754-8e93e2/artists-039-home-in-historic-artist-colony-bronxville-ny-10708) on the Lawrence Park Hilltop that features the distinctive creative style of its two artist owners throughout its eclectic interiors, perhaps the most colorful in Bronxville, N.Y. William Dowling of the Bronxville office has the listing, which is offered at \$4,250,000.

The 5,994 square-foot residence was constructed in 1898 by architect William Bates, who designed many of Bronxville's earliest homes, and still contains the original architectural details. These include 17th-century balusters, bracketed eaves, embayed windows, artistic touches on the shingle work, Juliet balconies, wooden rosettes, and a three-story stone and stucco tower with cone-shaped roof. The home is located in Lawrence Park, the onetime artists' colony that was built by well-known Bronxville developer William Lawrence, who also founded Sarah Lawrence College.

The vibrant artwork throughout the interior includes unique installations created by one of the owners, from the fanciful rubber dishwashing gloves overhanging the eat-in kitchen, to the rug made from yellow police tape in the living room with its fireplace and 13-foot ceilings, to the stylish boots that line the rails of one of the staircases. The artist's brightly colored wall and ceiling

paintings and sculptures add vivid hues to every room. The other owner, an art collector and caricaturist, has tastefully filled the spaces with pieces from a notable bronze animal sculpture collection. International elements picked up in the owners' travels to India, Mexico, Ethiopia, Mali, Burkina Faso and Morocco, as well as art representing their own South African heritage, are additionally included in the decor.

Since purchasing the property in 1993, the owners have added new structural components to the historic home including a kitchen extension, two-story turret, new cedar shake roof and new chimneys, four new baths and a two-car garage.

Situated on 0.4 acres, the residence has seven bedrooms and four full and two half baths, including a master bedroom in the tower with dome ceiling, fireplace and large walk-in closet. Further spaces include an entry hall with fireplace, dining room with French doors to a balcony, two family rooms, exercise room, laundry and basement for an art studio/workshop and storage.

"No one has ever decorated a house like this, as can be seen in the owners' wholly original and creative interpretation of the home," said Dowling. "They were originally drawn to the property by the scale and playfulness demonstrated by its architect, and much of their own work here is a response to his original 1898 design. The result is Bronxville's most colorful home."

For more information on the property, which is located at 34 Prescott Avenue, visit the firm's website here (http://www.juliabfee.com/eng/sales/detail/228-l-754-8e93e2/artists-039-home-in-historic-artist-colony-bronxville-ny-10708).

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