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VOILA! CREATIVE STUDIO IS one of those uniquely Los Angeles establishments that showcase the depth and breadth of the city's imaginative spirit. The versatile studio/showroom occupies a generous space on La Brea Avenue between an Italian furniture showroom and modern art gallery.

In 2008, Belgian native Katrien Van der Schueren arrived in L.A. when her husband accepted a job here, and the art historian began importing vintage European posters, at one point amassing an inventory of 42,000. Van der Schueren also began to import furniture and various objets d'art, working with salvage specialists

in Europe and repurposing antique items into her own creations.

When she acquired the contents of a French glove factory, the inventive entrepreneur created a lighting fixture—a “handelier,” she explains—from the glove molds.

Voila! now provides art installation services, furniture design and fabrication, and custom picture framing. Clients trust Van der Schueren to create compelling art collections in high-end residential and commercial settings in L.A. and beyond.

“Some clients are very specific, and we work within their vision, but I prefer it when I’m able to create my own cohesive story,”

← Katrien Van der Schueren curated all furniture and art at this Hollywood Hills home.

says Van der Schueren, who like all creators appreciates a long leash.

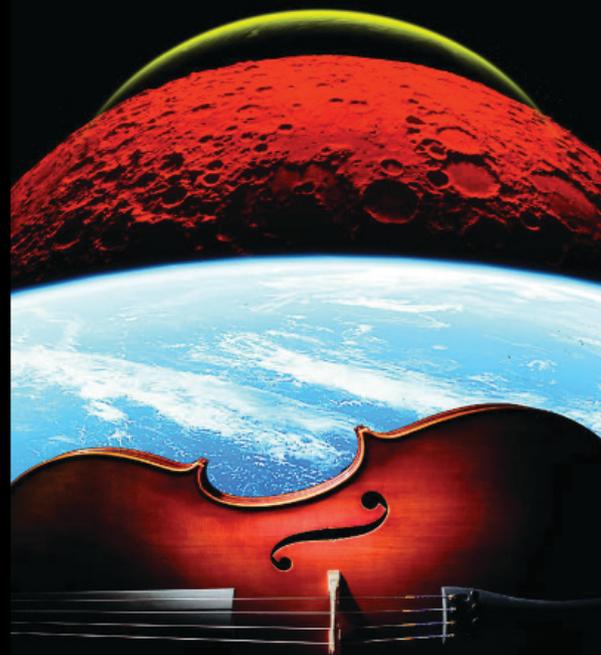
The artist was given the opportunity to curate all the furniture and art at a sleek home in the Hollywood Hills. The bold abstract art, which suits the contemporary space, was painted by Van der Schueren in a week. She complemented her own work with photography, including an iconic image by William Curtis Rolf of a zebra at Deyrolle, Paris' famous taxidermy studio. Admitting to using the photo on multiple occasions, she says, "I like it because it makes everybody smile."

For another commission—this one for a modern home with a wood-clad interior in Brentwood—Van der Schueren selected a combination of abstract paintings and photography of midcentury-modern residences that complemented the setting and its owner's conservative tastes. In a minimalist residence in Beverly Hills, she opted for furniture that was contemporary yet evocative of the midcentury-inspired architecture.

Van der Schueren is partial to modernism. "I like contemporary architecture, because there's a lot of negative space, and you can give those kinds of environments a soul," she says. "I believe my strength is my fascination with various materials and exploring how to work with them." The designer enjoys mixing photography, sculpture and paintings.

Despite her appreciation of eclecticism, Van der Schueren

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says, "everything has to work well together and it really needs to reflect the client." The best designs appear fully integrated with the home, she adds. "It should look like it's been there for ages."

Van der Schueren's framing services are favored by artists such as Retna and celebrities including Elton John and Kylie Jenner. Combining technology and craftsmanship, Voila! is one of the few places in L.A. that can create custom hand-carved frames, restore gilded antiques and do justice to the framing of mirrors.

The owner also designs lighting fixtures, something she has pursued since the creation of her "handelier." Van der Schueren repurposes antiques and appreciates the challenges of working with neon, now experiencing a revival. As a furniture designer and fabricator, she successfully infused a sense of chic modernism at the Hotel Jerome in Aspen (in conjunction with interior designer Todd-Avery Lenahan) without compromising its historic heritage.

The studio is popular with well-known musicians, actors and authors; the owner can transform her 6,000-square-foot event space for any imaginable theme or function, whether an album launch for performing artist Camila Cabello or an exhibition of the photography of The Walking Dead actor Norman Reedus.

—Roger Grody

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