



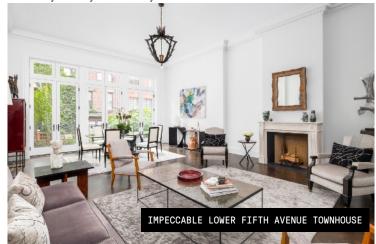


The Arrival Of 'The Brass Age'.

As we welcome the new year after one of the most turbulent years of all time, we turn to 2017 with renewed optimism and hope. A long list of indicators point to a strong first quarter in the luxury real estate markets, although the effects of rising interest rates, potential trade tariffs and new immigration policies are yet to be seen. Humans are wired to adjust, and the wealthy are wired to adjust a lot faster having the ability to seek out opportunity wherever it may exist. **See PAGE 7** for some highlighted insights about the 2016 market. For 2017, this is what we see ahead:

- President Trump's America could be somewhat reminiscent of the boom-times of bygone decades like the Gilded Age.....we are calling it **THE BRASS AGE** knowing Trump's affinity to brass and marble. This could well be the dawn of an era with a return to celebrating wealth Dynasty-style.
- Many will display their wealth less boldly: in 'Kartrashian Society' opulent and blatant displays of wealth are normal. However, many will shun this as we enter the 'divided-states-of-wealth-display'. Brash for some, discrete for others.
- The world reeled from the 'FAKE NEWS' syndrome.....we in real estate land have lived with fake news for decades! We believe the era of verified facts may be upon us as we have reached heightened awareness of the gross inaccuracies that are delivered as facts when often they are agenda-driven fiction. Already FACEBOOK will be placing warning labels on fake news, cigarette-box -style!

Growing inventory, easier mortgage standards, lower corporate and personal taxes, renewed interest from buyers who are returning to the market seeing adjusted pricing expectations, the promise of less regulation and large infrastructure spending/stimulus combined with the optimism of Spring and the traditional strong first half selling season should make for a very healthy real estate year.



COMPASS



Selldorf Architects Bowery/Noho/Village

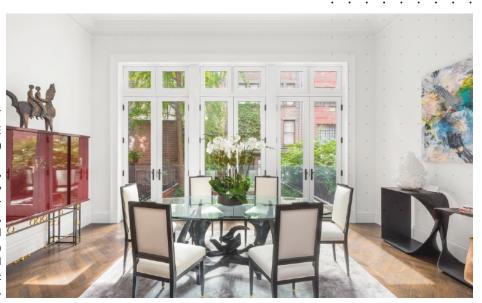
347 BOWERY
3-BEDROOM, 3.5-BATHROOM DUPLEXES
PRICING STARTS AT \$7.500,000

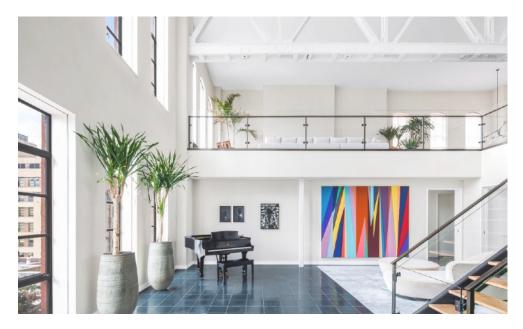
Selldorf Architect's latest zinc clad creation of 5 stacked town homes, on a prized corner opposite the Bowery Hotel. With nearly 20 foot ceilings, each residence will feature a handcrafted staircase made of plaster and white oak. Catwalk bridges on the upper levels will separate the master suite from the guest bedrooms; all of the units include balconies with spectacular sunset views over Downtown Manhattan.

Triple Mint Townhouse Prime Greenwich Village

14 EAST 11TH STREET GREENWICH VILLAGE \$25,000,000

A meticulously renovated almost 21+ ft wide, 5-6 story single-family home with approximately 7,400sf of beautiful interior living space and over 1,200sf comprising a magnificent garden, terrace and rooftop deck. This gracious sun-filled townhouse with privacy and views has been painstakingly and intelligently re-built and designed by architect Steven Wang for the 21st Century in a contemporary classic style.





Epic, Voluminous, Duplex Chelsea Loft

213 WEST 23RD STREET CHELSEA \$14.500.000

No photograph can capture the experience of walking into this exceptional property, the only one of its kind, anywhere. Located in the landmark McBurney YMCA building with soaring 29ft ceilings in the double-height living room, once the home of a gymnasium and running track, provides the most impressive entertaining space, surrounded by gigantic windows that flood this showplace with superb light all day.



350 West Broadway, Soho

\$7,995,000 - Penthouse-style living with terrace

Inspiring views and light engulf this chic, mint, move-in full-floor three-bedroom, three-and-half-bath SoHo residence with its exceptional 644 square foot terrace designed by renowned architect Willliam T. Georgis



245 Tenth Ave, Chelsea

\$4,000,000 - 3-bedrooms possible - NEW PRICE!

Perched above the magnificent Highline Park this contemporary apartment located in a full service condominium sheathed in shimmering stainless steel, displays a material palette and thoughtful interior as soothing as it is stylish.



444 West 19th Street, Chelsea

\$4,500,000 -Penthouse with parking for 2 cars

A sleek, light-bathed Penthouse with superb private terraces and PARKING is tough to find: This duplex 2-bedroom, 2.5 bathroom penthouse is unique, located in one of West Chelsea's most desirable addresses moments from the HIGHLINE PARK, the Hudson River Park and so much more.



133 West 22nd St, Chelsea

\$3,850,000 - Immaculate penthouse duplex.

Enter into the spacious living and dining room, which opens onto a private northfacing terrace perfect for al-fresco dining. Oversized windows frame the coveted city views of the Empire State Building and flood the space with natural light all day long. The chef's kitchen is open to the living room perfect for entertaining.



126 West 22nd St, PH 11/12 S, Chelsea

\$11,895,000 - front cover

Impressive 50ft wide south-facing Chelsea/Flatiron Triplex penthouse combination loft of epic scale, resplendent with a large private roof terrace. This remarkable property requires easily combining the fully renovated upper duplex (approved plans available) with an apartment below to create a sensational home.



126 West 22nd St, Chelsea

\$3,400,000

The quintessential Condominium Chelsea loft comprising a 50ft width half floor of an elegant pre-war building in the heart of Chelsea. Located on the sunny and quiet south side of the building, this spacious 2-bedroom, 2-bathroom residence is perfect for entertaining with its generously proportioned light-infused spaces.



311 West Broadway, Soho

\$12,500,000

Prized contemporary Soho condominium building designed by architects Gwathmey Siegel, this magnificent single-floor penthouse features a Piet Oudolf designed wrap-around terrace planted to perfection.



73 Washington Pl, Village

\$13,950,000

Magnificent landmarked 22-foot wide Greek Revival-style townhouse, located on a picturesque block steps from historic Washington Square Park. Delivered vacant with a full set of Landmarks-approved architectural and design plans.



30 Park Place, Tribeca

\$8,250/month

The amenities and services in the building are par none serviced by legendary Four Seasons Hotels and Resorts. Residents may enjoy access to Hotel amenities including a spa & salon facilities, a 75 foot pool, parking garage, restaurant, bar and lounge, as well as a comprehensive suite of a la carte services.



18 West 75th, Upper West Side

\$19,500,000

Positioned on a prime, picture-perfect, treelined West Side block, just a few feet from Central Park, this gut-renovated and rebuilt Renaissance Revival 8,564 sf townhouse beauty delivers on every level. Designed by noted architect Wayne Turett.



158 Mercer Street, Soho

\$12,250,000

Located on a quintessential cobbled Soho street in The New Museum Building, a fine pre-war loft landmark, this extraordinarily voluminous home offers roughly 7,000sf of duplexed space in a discreet full service building with entrances both off Mercer and Broadway.



146 Willow Street, Brooklyn Heights \$16,000,000

25 foot wide, single-family mansion located on the most coveted Brooklyn Heights tree-lined block. The house delivers on every level with unsurpassed detailing and sophistication. Not only is the house visually impeccable, it also benefits from advanced systems and technology that make it ultra-efficient.



Steven Harris Designed Penthouse

560 WEST 24th STREET
WEST CHELSEA
\$16,000,000 or \$40k/month

West Chelsea Contemporary 4-bedroom, 4.5 bathroom Classic Penthouse designed by Architectural Digest 100 architect Steven Harris: Perched above a brand new elegant limestone-clad building with bronze-framed windows is this exceptional duplex penthouse that epitomizes grace and elegance. 2 wood-burning fireplaces.

Interiors by Damon Liss Design

Prime West Village Steven Harris Townhouse

252 WEST 12TH STREET
WEST VILLAGE
\$19,600,000

This perfectly scaled and crafted Steven Harris-designed townhouse is located on arguably the most desirable of all West Village cobbled streets not too far West or East. With meticulous attention to detail, this elegant Historical landmark is just moments from the Hudson River Park, The New Whitney Museum, The Meatpacking District and all the charms of Greenwich Village that deliver on every level with the best selection of boutiques, restaurants and entertainment.





Dramatic & Bold Penthouse

12 EAST 13th STREET GREENWICH VILLAGE \$20,000,000

This brand new, dramatic and bold 4-bedroom Greenwich Village Triplex Penthouse with over 5,700sf of living space, two exceptional 906sf private terraces and two parking spaces offers all the benefits of both townhouse and penthouse living in the most coveted location.



100 East 53Rd Street Midtown

NEW DEVELOPMENT
DESIGNED BY SIR NORMAN FOSTER
STARTING AROUND \$2.6 MILLION
WWW.100E53.COM



152 Elizabeth Street Nolita

NEW DEVELOPMENT- June 2017 DESIGNED BY TADAO ANDO WWW.152ELIZABETHST.COM



196 Orchard Street Lower East Side

NEW DEVELOPMENT - WITH EQUINOX GYM MOMENTS FROM LUDLOW HOUSE STARTING AROUND \$1.35 MILLION WWW.1960RCHARD.COM



54 Macdougal Street Soho

NEW DEVELOPMENT 4 UNIT CONDO SUMMER 2017

Fourth Quarter 2016 Snapshot

-21%

DOWN Contracts signed volume 4th quarter 2016 compared to 2015. The number of \$5m+ contracts signed dropped around 20% in 2015.

+7%

Spike in contracts signed since the election.

Some attribute this to Trump's election, while most simply needed closure. New Yorkers are more concerned about the Mayoral Election that impacts the city more directly.

+50%

Premium paid for a new development condominium. Many buyers will pay a huge premium for brand new, top quality buildings with full amenities and services.

-32%

Volume of \$5m+ signed contracts compared to 2015

Expect some "great buy high end rentals" with so many new building investor buyers closing all at once. And then they'll be gone and pricing will recover fast. Historic Average Mortgage Rates

Decade: Average Mortgage Interest Rate

1970's: 8.86% 1980's: 12.7% 1990's: 8.12% 2000's: 6.29%

Average 30-year mortgage January 2017: Under 4%

SUMMARY

We have entered the era of RATIONAL EXUBERANCE. Pricing has to reflect product. Allowances need to be made for quality, volume of competing product, and a distinct premium for brand new product. Averages have been severely distorted by super-high-end closings at 432 Park Avenue, Greenwich Lane and 56 Leonard Street.

Would You Like To **Receive This** Luxuryletter Every Month Via Regular Mail Or E-Mail? If So, Please Subscribe At: Luxuryletter.Com

Compass 90 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10011

The Team

Consistently a top team globally, we deliver exceptional service in the New York and Brooklyn luxury real estate markets, with offices across the country. With collective sales of over \$3 billion our team represents sellers, buyers, renters, and developers marketing and buying property that range from \$300,000 to over \$20 million. How may we help you?Compass is everywhere you want to be. We can connect you with the best agent anywhere in the world.

T 646.780.7594 C 917.385.0565

WWW.THELEONARDSTEINBERGTEAM.COM









MICHAEL

RYAN

COMPASS

NEW YORK - PARK SLOPE - WILLIAMSBURG - EAST HAMPTON - BRIDGEHAMPTON - SOUTHAMPTON - SAG HARBOR - WASHINGTON DC - CHEVY CHASE -BOSTON - CAMBRIDGE - MIAMI - COCONUT GROVE - LOS ANGELES - MALIBU - SANTA BARBARA - MONTECITO - PASADENA - ASPEN - BASALT NEW! SAN FRANCTSCO



MANNY