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With a RSVP list of more than 600 people, Manhattan House was filled to the brim with eager brokers and potential buyers.

My first stop and was James Huniford's "The Modern9"-a 3,351 square-foot residence with 4 bedrooms, 3 baths and a powder room. The Dan Miller artwork in Huniford's place was immediately recognizable to Peter Davis-who had a few pieces of Miller's in his own apartment. Huniford told me that all of the artwork was borrowed from Creative Growth, an organization that supports over 150 artists with disabilities at the Creative Growth Art Center. "I appreciate the playfulness of the objects and used the art in unconventional ways" Huniford said (see previous post for an image of Huniford with decks!).

Celerie Kemble's "The Modern Manhattan" was a 3 bedroom, 3 bathroom dream. I fell in love two chairs in the living room which for some reason reminded me of something from "The Little Mermaid" and the coffee table, oh it was like nothing I've ever seen...awesome. If you're a kid in Kemble's residence, you are in luck-the bunk beds fold up into the wall, revealing a chalk board, to maximize the space as a play room (don't you wish you were 6 again?).

Equipped with a salmon station, truffled grilled cheese sandwiches with celery relish and passed hors d'oeuvres of tuna tartar, mini shrimp tacos-food was flying off the trays (along with the champagne). As per usual, the "bars" were the hot spot, with people lining up for refills of white wine and mini dirty martinis (a la Kemble's residence) and mini Manhattans (served at Marjorie Reed Gordon's residence).

Who was there? TV star/interior designer Nate Berkus, Campion and Tatiana Platt, Kimberly Guilfoyle, Harriet Weintraub, Blair Clark and Mark and Cinda Bommershine, to name just a few (out of hundreds and hundreds).

