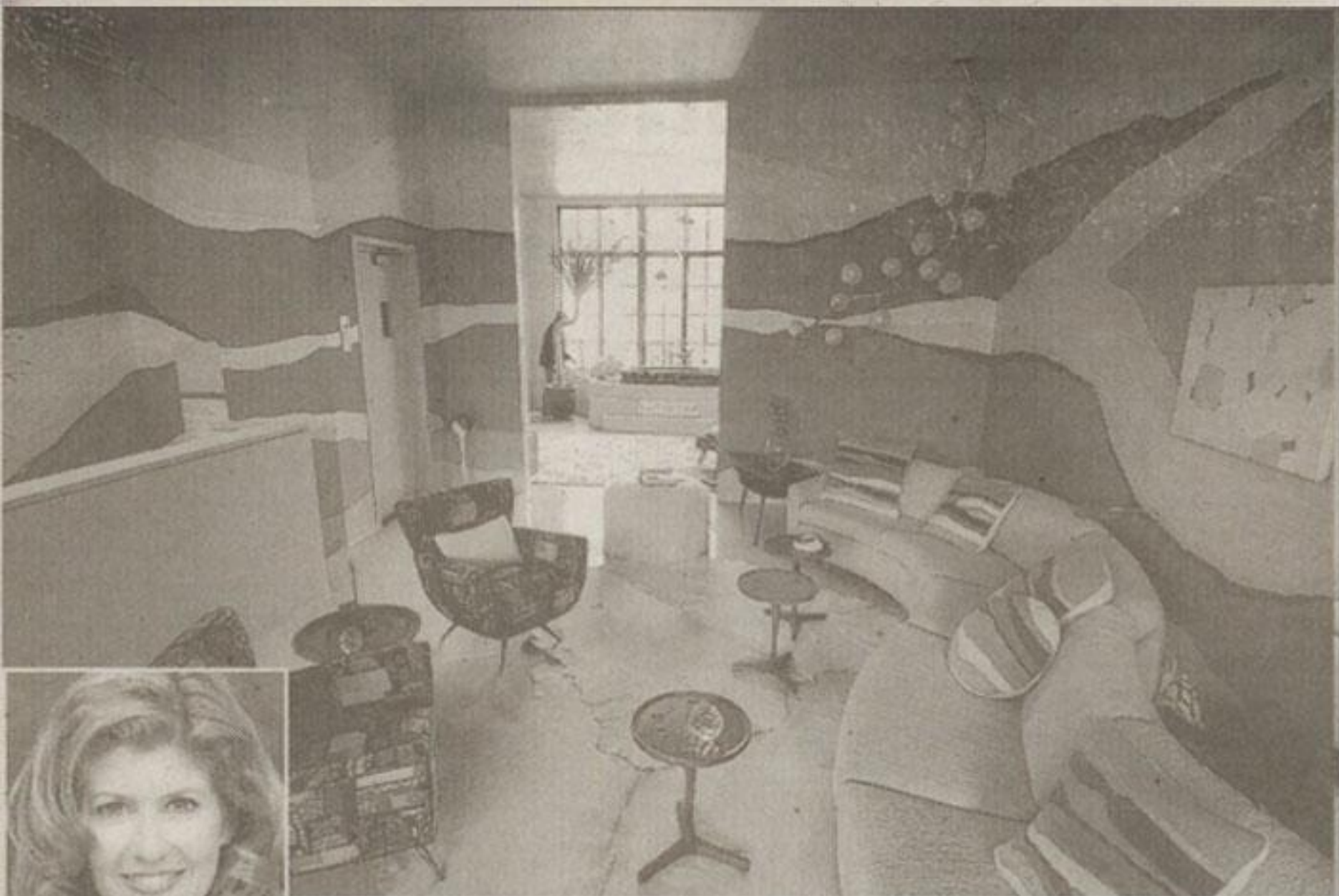


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Amy Lau celebrates "The Rites of Spring." The new "it" girl in interior design, first-time Kips Bay decorator Lau is breathing new life into New York interiors. Her room at the Show House has rubberized resin floors, 1970s drapery-quilted chairs, and embroidered walls. Cobalt, turquoise and citron

dominate the room's color palette. "I wanted to bring the outside indoors and embrace nature," says Lau, who counts Elvis Costello and Diana Krall as clients. "By combining art, design and couture, I was able to transform the space into spring."