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Designers update former Pasadena Showcase House for this year's event

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In the neighboring artist's retreat, West Hollywood-based designer Dana Triano took what was originally a sleeping porch that had been enclosed and created a quiet space where light pours in from three sides. She filled it with original artwork and a deep sofa that nods to the daybed of the sleeping porch's past. Behind it used to be a window looking into the bathroom on the other side of the wall that she had demolished.

"When we pulled those boards off that were used, we realized they were old-growth redwood," Triano says. "The quality of the wood that they painted on here you couldn't get anymore. We knew we had to salvage them so we made an artist easel out of the boards that we salvaged, and we gave them a wax finish to showcase the color and grain of the original wood."