

The homeowner wanted a mural on his dining-room wall that had a "Hopper landscape with a Maxfield Parrish sky."



recently purchased a Wyoming ranch from Buffalo Bill Cody. Chanler painted a Rocky Mountain landscape in a scene that has, ever since, been called the "Buffalo Room."

Today's muralists reach all the way back to antiquity for inspiration. When Rob Leanna was hired to disguise the seams between an old house and its new kitchen and solarium additions in Manchester-by-the-Sea, Massachusetts, he used the eye-fooling trompe l'oeil technique to turn blank

**CLOCKWISE FROM FAR LEFT:** A pheasant perches, seemingly on the bed headboard. The flowers and fruit in an Aspen bathroom are from a Hufnagel illuminated manuscript. A circus elephant peers out from behind drapery. All murals on this page and on page 80 are by Lena Fransioli.