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MAURICE SENDAK'S NEW YORK CO-OP ASKS \$3.15 MILLION

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The New York cooperative apartment of the late Maurice Sendak, illustrator and author of "Where the Wild Things Are," is on the market for \$3.15 million.

Located on Fifth Avenue in Greenwich Village, the third-floor, corner unit has two bedrooms and two bathrooms. The kitchen and formal dining room overlook the building's private garden and there are other views of a landscaped churchyard. The living room has a wood-burning fireplace, casement windows and built-ins for artwork. Owners in the 70-unit building, which was built in 1929, include Chipotle Mexican Grill founder Steve Eells and retired Goldman Sachs executive Scott Pinkus, according to public records.

Mr. Sendak, who published more than 100 children's books and died in May, bought the apartment in the late 1970s or early 1980s, says listing agent Scott Harris of Brown Harris Stevens. With a main home in Connecticut, Mr. Sendak used the apartment as his pied-à-terre when he worked on his books, with the second bedroom serving as his studio. Displayed in the unit are several posters that he created, along with a doll from "Where the Wild Things Are" still in the original box. These items aren't included in the sale price, but Mr. Harris says he'd be "delighted to have that discussion if it makes sense."

The proceeds of the sale will go to the Maurice Sendak Foundation, which gives grants for artistic endeavors. Mr. Harris shares the listing with Barry Herbst, also of Brown Harris Stevens.

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