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## **Novelist Norman Mailer's Former Nautical-Inspired Brooklyn Flat Asks \$2.25M**

*Take over the top-floor apartment of a landmarked 1840 Brooklyn Heights townhouse where Pulitzer Prize-winning author Norman Mailer worked.*



The rare and culturally significant property is now available through CORE. Famous guests—including John Lennon, Bob Dylan, and Woody Allen—have gathered in the flat during the many parties Mailer hosted here.



*It was in this 142 Columbia Heights flat that renowned American novelist, journalist, essayist, playwright, filmmaker, actor, and liberal political activist Norman Mailer wrote many of his bestselling novels, including *The Executioner's Song* and *Ancient Evenings*. Courtesy of Rich Caplan for CORE.*

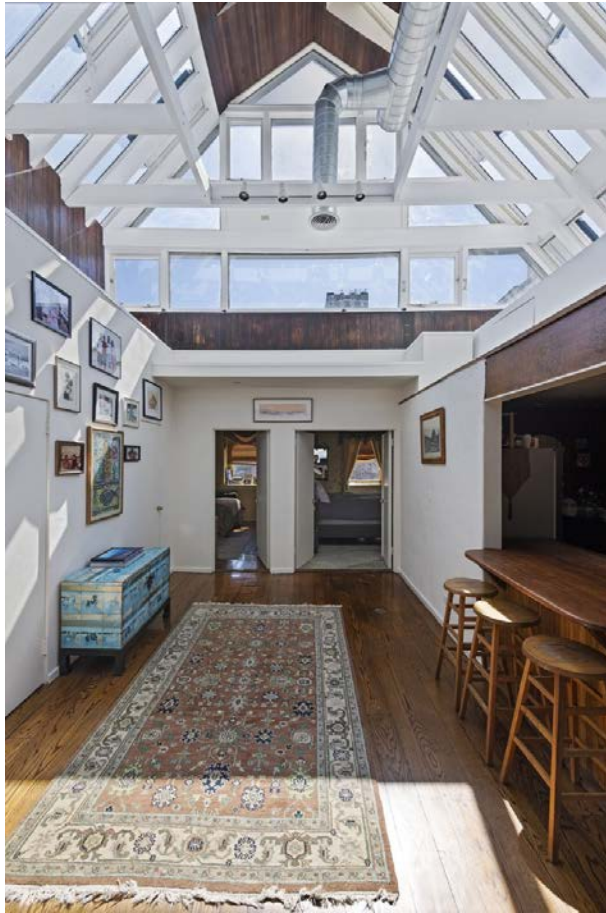


*The roof is fitted with unique, architectural skylights. Courtesy of Rich Caplan for CORE.*



*Mailer worked on the interiors of the 1,636-square-foot flat himself. Courtesy of Rich Caplan for CORE.*





*He transformed it to resemble a ship, with a double-height, glass-and-wood atrium that draws in plenty of sunlight. Courtesy of Rich Caplan for CORE.*



*To help him overcome his fear of heights, Mailer installed gangplanks, hammocks, and a trapeze in the two-story flat. Courtesy of Rich Caplan for CORE.*



*The smooth sloping wood of the ceiling above the living and dining areas echoes the curves of a grand sailboat. Courtesy of Rich Caplan for CORE.*



*According to the author's son Michael Mailer, his father had previously owned the entire townhouse, but in the 1970s, he turned it into a co-op. Courtesy of Rich Caplan for CORE.*





*A separate one-bedroom apartment on the third floor is included in the sale.  
Courtesy of Rich Caplan for CORE.*



*Mailer sold the lower floors before he died in 2007, but had kept this top  
floor unit. Courtesy of Rich Caplan for CORE.*



*The three-bedroom, two-bathroom flat has several outdoor terraces that look out to panoramic views of Manhattan, the Brooklyn Bridge Park, and the Statue of Liberty. Courtesy of Rich Caplan for CORE.*