

The rustic-looking wallpaper with horizontal rivets was custom-colored in Benjamin Moore Narragansett Green HC-157. Nailed It wallpaper, price on request, by Phillip Jeffries at Holly Hunt, Chicago

What teen wouldn't want to sleep in a bed that looks like a swing? "It's really a platform bed that we customized by adding rope to create the illusion that it was suspended from the ceiling." Aristocles platform bed, \$267, by Mercury Row at wayfair.com

"As soon as we saw this painting, we knew we had to have it," Sarah Vaile says. The painting is by artist Butch Anthony and the team found it at West Loop's Rider for Life Paintings from \$6,000, shoprider.us

HIGH NOON

The American West and a sense of adventure inspire Sarah Whit Interior Design in this transformation of a teenage boy's bedroom.

By Laura Hine

When Sarah Vaile did the first walk-through of the home that would become this spring's Lake Forest Showhouse & Gardens, this teenage boy's bedroom had a Blackhawks theme—complete with walls painted in bold stripes. "It sort of inspired what we did," Vaile says. "Being a teenager is all about expressing yourself." With her team at Sarah Whit Interior Design (sarahwhit.com), she decided their inspiration was a young sophisticate who has a taste for the arts and is into the American West. "Small touches, like the brass skull, which we thought was a very millennial take on hunting, give it flair," she says. When the Showhouse opened for the preview party, Vaile's team cranked up the volume and blasted Nirvana. "Of course, the docents had to come and ask us to turn down the music," she says with a laugh. "It was perfect!"



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