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**EVENT PHOTOGRAPHY**  
LEEBAF FARAH  
**PHOTO BOOTH PHOTOGRAPHY**  
GIOVANNI SOLIS  
**ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY**  
CALVIN B. ALAGOT, JULISSA JAMES  
**PHOTO BOOTH PRODUCTION DESIGN**  
ZOE-ZOE  
**FLORAL DESIGN**  
GRAY HONG OF MOON JAR DESIGN  
**PHOTO BOOTH ASSISTANT**  
PATRICK WILKINSON



THE BATHROOM OF MICHAEL AGUIRRE, DESIGNED BY CHARLAP HYMAN & HERRERO.

**Zoe-Zoe** (Page 17) is a Los Angeles-based creative maven, artist and production designer. Her eclectic background spans fine art, graphic design, illustration and sculpture, fueled by a passion for art and the creative process. Zoe-Zoe has built worlds for clients such as Adobe, Netflix, Adidas, Vanity Fair and Uninterrupted. @zeez.louize

**PHOTOGRAPHERS**

**Brittany Bravo** (Page 45) is a Chicana photographer and director born and raised in Los Angeles. Her work beautifully reflects her love for her community, capturing them with power, pride and tenderness. Embracing universal themes of family, love and togetherness, she infuses each project with genuine care. @bravocado\_

**Bishop Elegino** (Page 40) is a Los Angeles-based fashion photographer, known for their captivating high-fashion and conceptual imagery. With a unique style, he captures the essence of alternative youth through their lens. @bish.op

**Leeban Farah** (Page 17) is a photographer and video artist. His work delves into themes of dislocation, value and emotional authenticity. Farah's fascination lies in the intersections of individuals and groups, through building images that unravel the potency of everyday moments. @leeban.farah

**Silvino Feliciano** (Page 28) worked various odd jobs before starting his photography career. Everything changed when he picked up a camera, discovering a passion for capturing meaningful images that tell stories, evoke emotions and bring moments to life. @vinnfeli

**Jennelle Fong** (Page 25) is a photographer whose work indulges in the exploration of intimacy, space and feeling. She champions the quiet moments, and the unexpected detail is her dearest collaborator. @jennellefong

**JJ Geiger** (Page 38) is an L.A.-based photographer. @jgeigs

**Karla Janette** (Page 34) is a queer Latina portrait and wedding photographer based in Iowa. With nearly a decade of experience, she passionately represents the queer and POC community, using creative

storytelling to capture the true authenticity of her subjects. @karlajanettephoto

**Giovanni Solis** (Page 17) was born and raised in Los Angeles. He is a photographer capturing editorial and commercial campaigns across multiple genres, such as fashion, sports and automotive. @theleagueoufs

**PROP STYLISTS**

**Synthea Gonzales** (Page 40) is a Los Angeles-based, Colorado native whose work expands across a plethora of design mediums in the realm of production design and art direction. Her love of design is conveyed through the intention and intersection of texture, color and emotionally inclined storytelling and visuals. @flowerfrolicking

**Cody Rogers** (Page 25) has worked in the set design world for over five years. She started assisting in New York in 2018 and moved to Los Angeles in 2021. Here she has honed her craft and found her own artistic voice which she describes as "sculptural, visceral and playful." @codycr

# CONTRIBUTORS

**COVER**

**Jason Armond** (Cover, Page 49) is an award-winning staff photojournalist at the Los Angeles Times. He covers a diverse range of assignments, including celebrity portraiture, breaking news, sports, food, and feature stories. His goal is to provide an authentic and intimate perspective through his lens, creating compelling visual narratives that resonate with viewers. @jasonarmond

**IMAGE FLAG + LETTERING**

**Melissa Deckert** (Cover, Page 16) is a multidisciplinary designer and art director based in Brooklyn. Her work combines graphic design principles with a tactile sensibility in the fields of branding, visual campaigns, editorial illustration, lettering and more. @melissadeckert

**WRITERS**

**Allison Noelle Conner's** (Page 49) writing has appeared in East of Borneo, Frieze, Hyperallergic, KCET Artbound and elsewhere. Her fiction has appeared in the Kenyon Review. She lives in Los Angeles, where she works as a contributing editor at Carla. @loosepleasures

**Melissa Febos** (Page 34) is the author of five books, including her forthcoming memoir "The Dry Season," now available for preorder from Alfred A. Knopf. She teaches at the University of Iowa. @melissafebos

**Goth Shakira** (Page 23) is an Aquarian digital conjurer and Queen of Pentacles divining in Los Angeles. @gothshakira

**Alyson Zetta Williams** (Page 45) is an L.A.-based writer whose work has appeared in i-D.

NYLON, Rookie Mag and more. Read her stuff at sorry4444.substack.com and @alysonzw.

**ARTISTS**

**Beth Hoeckel** (Page 23) is a multidisciplinary artist and illustrator from Baltimore, currently based in Boulder, Colo. @bethhoeckel

**Gray Hong** (Page 17) works with flowers through their floral studio, Moon Jar Design. Based in Los Angeles, their focus is on artful, creative and sustainable design. @moonjardesign

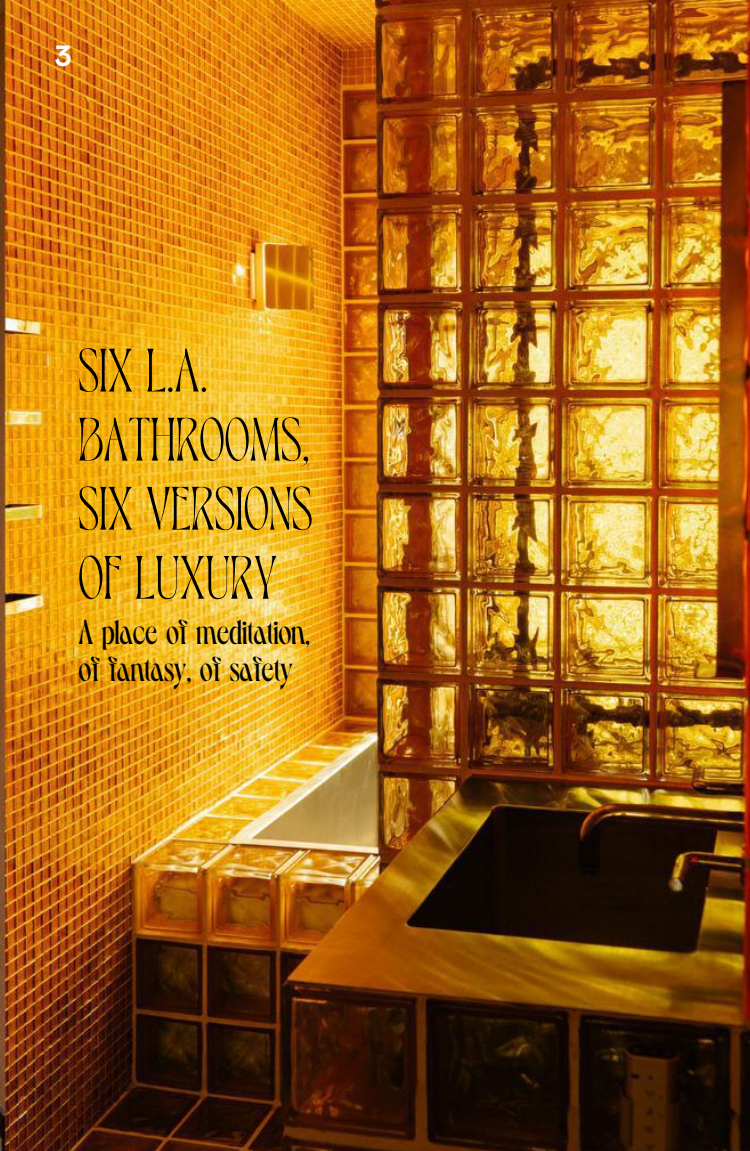
**Tanya "Nena" Melendez** (Cover, Page 49) is Puerto Rican and was born and raised in northeast Los Angeles. She is a self-taught multidisciplinary artist with a background in traditional folklore dance. She is a world-renowned celebrity hairstylist. @ladysoulffy



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SIX L.A. BATHROOMS. SIX VERSIONS OF LUXURY  
A place of meditation, of fantasy, of safety



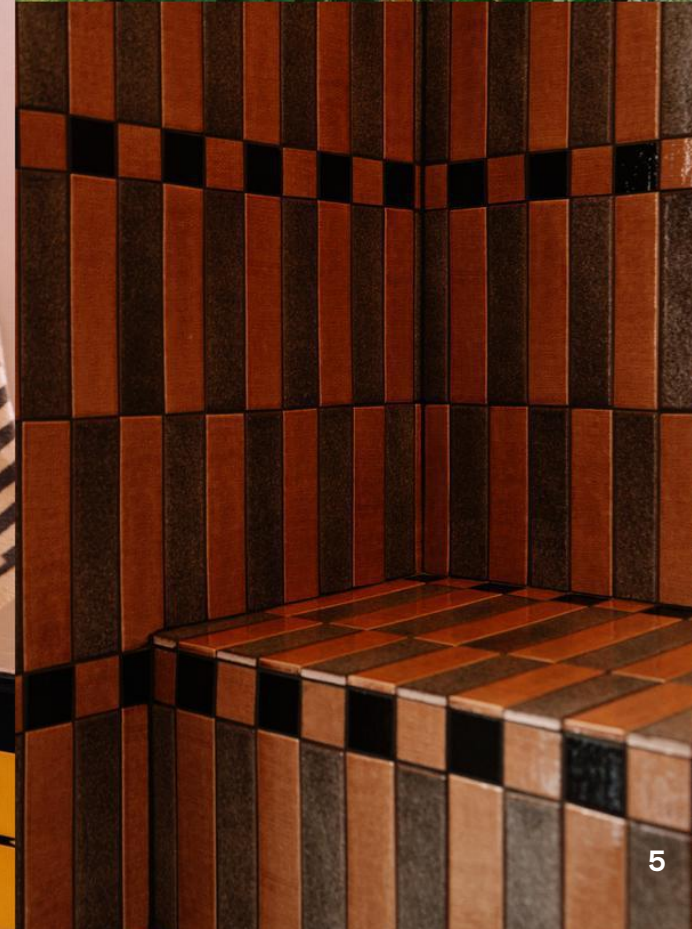
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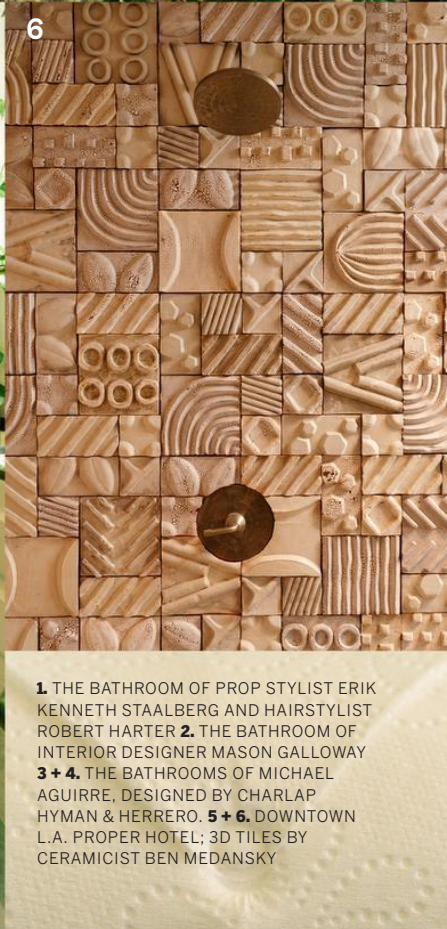
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