

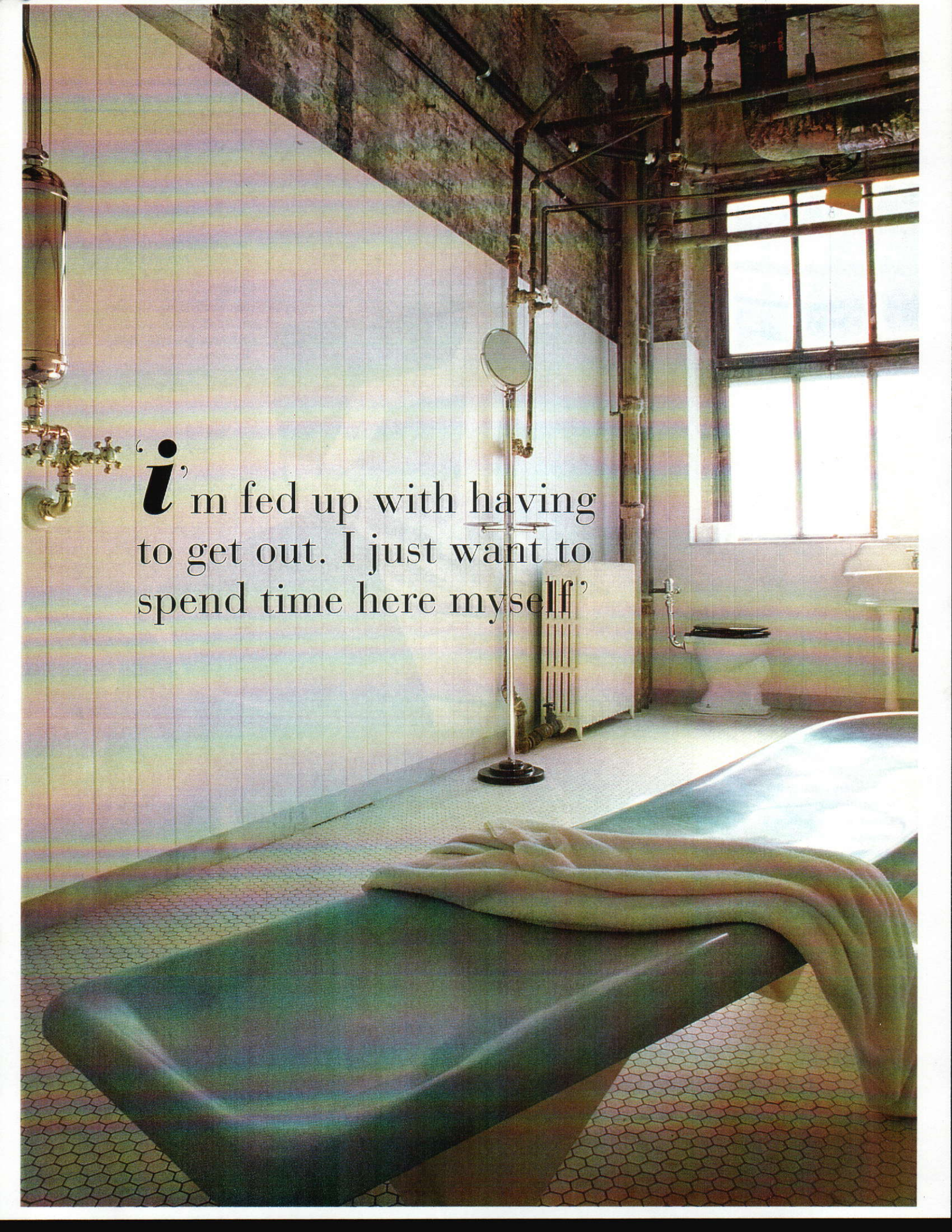
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loft in space

Stuart Parr doesn't just live in his huge Manhattan loft. He's made it earn its keep by doubling it up as a photographic studio, a furniture showroom and...oh yes, a film production office

'I wanted to retain what was there - it is a loft after all,' says 20th-century furniture dealer Stuart Parr, opposite top, who converted the top floor of an industrial building to make a space that works as a daylight photographic studio, furniture showroom and living

quarters in one. Parr's main intervention was to install a 24-metre long strip of windows that runs almost the length of the space. The Sling chair was designed in the 30s by American modernist Warren McArthur, whose revival Parr has championed

A photograph of a vintage-style bathroom. In the foreground, a white bathtub is partially visible, with a white towel draped over its edge. The floor is covered in small, hexagonal tiles. In the background, a white toilet is positioned next to a large, multi-paned window that lets in bright light. The walls are covered in vertical wooden paneling. A tall, thin metal stand with a circular mirror is positioned against the wall. The ceiling features exposed brickwork and various pipes and fixtures. The overall atmosphere is one of a well-maintained, classic space.

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to get out. I just want to
spend time here myself'

A photograph of a man, Stuart Parr, sitting on a metal stool on a rooftop. He is wearing a dark jacket and light-colored pants, with his hands clasped in front of him. To his left, a pug sits on a metal chair. Behind him, a German Shepherd sits on another metal chair. The rooftop is furnished with several mid-century modern style chairs, including a red upholstered one and a white one with a striped back. In the background, a large white water tower and a city skyline are visible under a clear blue sky.

For Stuart Parr, it all started with a chair he saw at the 26th Street flea market in Manhattan seven years ago. "It was this incredible aluminum side chair with webbed upholstery," he says. "I just knew that I had to own this furniture."