

t can be caged-couple time when spouses live and work together, but the art dealer Ben Brown and the curator Louisa Guinness carry it off with some style. "The spirit is that we help each other, while remaining very different," says Guinness, who has a gallery within a gallery at her husband's shop, Ben Brown Fine Arts, on London's venerable art hyway, Cork Street. "Ben deals in top-end international fine art. I do Small Sculpture to Wear — artists' jewellery."

Because they are enthusiasts, much of the stock comes back to the couple's house. They live in one of Notting Hill's airier pockets, with their children, Hector, 5, Alfred, 4, and Tatiana, 2, and a whole bunch of art. The house can cope — it's pretty big — but each room packs at least one museum-sized punch.

Brown is responsible for the paintings and sculpture — including some Humes, Turks and Arads — while Guinness's upstairs office is the hub of her business. She curates jewellery by artists including Arish Kapoor, Marc Quinn and Michael Craig-Martin, as well as selling vintage Trinkets by Calder, Ernst and Picasso. Yet, as Guinness says, it's also a house for living in. "We use the furniture, enjoy the art," says the Dublin-born former stockhroker. "It's not precious."

Guinness and Brown will be showing at the Pavilion of Art & Design, along with 50 other galleries, in Berkeley Square, W1 (October 14-18; padlondon.net). It is complementary to the Frieze Art Fair, in Regent's Park, NW1 (October 15-18; friezeartfair.com). Louisa Guinness at Ben Brown Fine Arts, 21 Cork Street, W1; 020 7734.8888, www.louisaguinnessgallery.com, benbrownfinearts.com

## ABOVE

A life-size Gavin Turk soulpture dressed as Sid Vicious stands in the corner of the sitting room. The painting on its Left is by Andy Warhol, behind it is Dead Matador by the Czech artist Dokoupil; to the right, a Gary Hume

# ELOW

Even the kids rooms are arty, with photographs by Adam Fuss of them as babies. The stuffed-toy chair is by the Campana brothers. Get similar from www.edra.com



WHEN AN ART DEALER AND A CURATOR BRING THEIR WORK HOME, THERE ISN'T









MAIN PICTURE, LEFT
The double-fronted, late Victorian villa is perfect for showing off art, says Brown, pictured with Louisa Guinness and a hipporbar by Claude and François Xavier Lalanne. The painting on the left is by Caio Fonseca, brother of Mrs Martin Amis, Isabel Fonseca. 'Not that that's important,' says Brown

By the children's bedrooms is this Ovoid chair by Ron Arad

Arad's Bookworm shelf was from a sellout limited edition of 20. Buy a shorter version from www.kartell.it. The metallic chairs and cottee table are also by Arad, all from benbrownfinearts.com

