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The Maestro of Rio

Brazilian furniture designer Sergio Rodrigues has his first-ever shop-in-a-shop at Tribeca's Espasso showroom. Rodrigues is an icon in his country's design community, his furniture a playful blending of the modern (abstract swoops and extreme proportions) and the classic (clean lines and timeless forms). His materials, often rich wood and leather, remind one of the sweeping high plains of South America (M-F 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sa noon-6 p.m.; closed Su; 38 N. Moore St., nr. Hudson St.; 212-219-0017; espasso.com).