



The Washington Design Center
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**THE WASHINGTON DESIGN CENTER ANNOUNCES 2009 SPRING DESIGN HOUSE
DATES, DESIGNERS AND THEME**

WHAT: The Washington Design Center is proud to present its milestone 25th presentation of the ***Design House***. The Spring 2009 Design House, residing within The Washington Design Center, provides lifestyle-conscious consumers an entrée into the world of high-end home décor. This spring, our industry's leading designers and architects will create "***Urban Elegance***", featuring 8 breathtaking rooms, each inspired by luxurious living in the city. This house focuses on urban living at its best. This house will introduce DC to some of the most trendsetting, hot, hip and stylish designers and architects in the city!

WHO: Entry/Foyer - Annie Elliot, Bossy Color
Media Room – Matt Costigan, Costigan Design
Dining Room - Samantha Friedman, Samantha Friedman Interior Design
Bedroom - Jennie Curtis, Material Differences
Children's Room – Shazalynn Cavin-Winfrey, Shazalynn Cavin-Winfrey Interiors
Living Room - Gloria de Lourdes Blalock, Blalock Interiors, LLC
The Family Office - Sandy Meyers, Sandra Meyers Design Studio
Bar/Lounge - Nestor Santa-Cruz, IIDA, Gensler

WHEN: April 24 – June 27: Open to the Public
April 23– Press Preview
April 23 – Opening Party
May 16 – Consumer Day

HOURS: Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Saturday 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

MEDIA SPONSOR: WJLA-ABC-7

WHERE: The Washington Design Center
300 D Street SW
Washington D.C.
202.646.6100

ADMISSION: Free

WEBSITE: www.dcdesigncenter/designhouse/

About The Washington Design Center:

Dedicated to providing the finest in home furnishings to the design trade, The Washington Design Center houses over 60 wholesale residential, commercial and building products showrooms. Considered the mid-Atlantic region's largest resource and destination for the design industry, The Washington Design Center works closely with designers to guarantee consumers the best possible luxury shopping experience.

The Washington Design Center is located at 300 D Street, SW in Washington, DC. Above the Federal Center SW Metro Station, The Washington Design Center is served by the Orange and Blue lines.

To learn more about the Fall Design House, The Washington Design Center and its showrooms, programs and special events, call 202.646.6100 or visit the Design Center online at www.dcdesigncenter.com.

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