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7 W NEW YORK® TABLETOP WEEK TAKES CENTER STAGE WITH FRESH RESOURCES AND FOCUS ON BRIDAL MARKET, APRIL 21-24, 2009

New York, NY (February 25, 2009) Widening its range of tabletop, linen and gourmet introductions, 7 W New York shines the spotlight on this resilient industry with a special bridal focus at the upcoming Tabletop Market. 7 W is partnering with The Knot Inc., a leading life-stage media company, to create a series of signature programs and events that will inform and inspire the buyers on bridal and beyond. A special Bridal Fashion Show, co-located in the 11th Floor 7 W Temporary Venue, will also showcase some of the finest and most creative international fashion collections, adding a touch of couture to the show.

According to Chris Collins, Vice President and General Manager for 7W New York, "Our bridal events will add a new level of freshness and excitement to this market, which we believe will be a welcome addition for our attendees and industry partners."

"The Wedding & Beyond" Lobby Display

Style experts from The Knot (TheKnot.com), and sister brands The Nest (TheNest.com) and The Bump (TheBump.com), will create three inspiring vignettes focusing on the three key lifestages: the wedding, new home, and baby, featuring products pulled from 7 W showrooms.

Key Note Presentations

Bridal Trends -- Meet the Millennial Bride

Tuesday, April 21 □ 1 - 2 p.m. □ 7 W Event Suite

Carley Roney, the country's most sought-after wedding expert, author, and editor in chief of The Knot, the #1 wedding website, will share her insight on the new generation of brides. From personal wedding style to new technologies, Carley will give an insider look at today's brides and trends.

Leveraging the Bridal Registry

Wednesday, April 22 □ 1 - 2 p.m. □ 7 W Event Suite

Kristin Savilia, Senior Vice President of Ecommerce and Registry at The Knot, will explore today's bride and how to capture her attention -- not only for the wedding, but during the years to follow -- through the evolving process of online and in-store registry.

Editor Picks & Predictions II

Thursday, April 23 • 1 – 2 p.m. • 7 W Event Suite

A new favorite for the Tabletop Market, 7 W will once again pull together a panel of wise industry-watchers to share their predictions for 2009. Topics covered will include product, merchandising and business trends for tabletop, housewares and the gourmet marketplace.

Special Events

7 W Ties “The Knot”: *A celebration of all things bridal*

Tuesday, April 21 - 5:00-7:00 p.m., 11th Floor Bridal Event Suite

7 W and The Knot will celebrate the New York Tabletop Week, its people, products and presentations. Guests will enjoy champagne, appetizers and a piece of wedding cake in honor of the occasion.

FIT Senior Project Presentation & Reception

Thursday, April 23, 6 – 8 p.m. – 11th Floor Event Suite

The entire tabletop and home products industry is invited to a presentation of the Fashion Institute of Technology’s Senior Class project – an overview of product proto-types for the year 2029 - and a chance to meet these incredible students at the reception to follow.

Ceramica Magnifica Exhibition

Tuesday, April 21 – Friday, April 24, 11 – 4 p.m. – Suite 817

Attendees can tour this special limited-time exhibit and sale of ceramics which features the best of the Este Design Triennale of contemporary ceramics, created by international designers & artists and crafted by artisans in medieval Este, Italy. Featured artists, among the more than 40 in the exhibit include: Frederica Marangoni, Armando Milani, Massimo Vignelli, Ultra Violet and James Wines. For more information about the exhibit and sale contact Evelyn Rossetti, Executive Director, Westchester Italian Cultural Center – 914.771.8700 / erossetti@wicny.org.

7 W Amenities & Services

Complimentary Buyers’ Lunch

Noon-2:00 p.m., 11th Floor 34th Street Café

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

April 21 - 24

Complimentary Luxury Limo Service between 7 W New York and 41 Madison

Travel in comfort and style to your next appointment or event

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Wednesday, April 22 • 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

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Club 7 W Buyers’Lounge, Suite 729

- Parking, commuter, taxi rebate desk
- Complimentary coffee & water
- Phone, fax and Internet Access
- Building, industry & city information

Information Kiosk – 11th Floor

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Coat Check – 11th Floor

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Day – to - Day Event Listing

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For more information about the program, showrooms and limo service, log onto www.7wnewyork.com.

7 W NEW YORK™ is a wholesale mart building, catering to the buyers of Home Décor, Table Top, Giftware, Textiles and Decorative Accessories. Its daily

hours of operation are Monday through Friday, from 9 am to 5 pm with extended hours during special market weeks. 7 W New York is a trademark of Merchandise Mart Properties, Inc. (MMPI).

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MMPI manages The Merchandise Mart and 350 West Mart Center in Chicago; Market Square, the Suites at Market Square, Hamilton Market, Plaza Suites, Furniture Plaza and the National Furniture Mart in High Point, N.C.; the Architects & Designers Building and 7 W New York in New York; the Boston Design Center in Boston; the L.A. Mart in Los Angeles; and the Washington Design Center and Federal Center Southwest in Washington D.C.

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