

J. MARSHALL DEBUTS MARTHA STEWART GALLERY TO HIGHLIGHT MARTHA STEWART FURNITURE WITH BERNHARDT COLLECTION

CHICAGO (April 30, 2009) —J. Marshall Design, suite 1600 in The Merchandise Mart Design Center™, will host an Open House on Friday, May 1, 2009, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. to celebrate the opening of the Martha Stewart Gallery. J. Marshall Design exclusively offers the Martha Stewart Furniture with Bernhardt collection at The Merchandise Mart. This line was first introduced in 2001 and includes six lifestyle collections and a full range of upholstery. Martha Stewart Furniture with Bernhardt is distinguished by premium construction and thoughtful design. Fine craftsmanship, select materials, and careful attention to details ensure the uniqueness and longevity of each piece.

Martha Stewart Furniture with Bernhardt's five distinctive furniture collections include Katonah™, Opal Point®, Turkey Hill®, Skylands® and Lily Pond®. The Katonah Collection is inspired by Stewart's newest residence, a restored 1925 farmhouse with a classic American style. The line features rich woods with embellished hardware and hand-painted details. Opal Point® is reminiscent of the West Coast landscape, combining modern, functional touches with luxurious finishes. Turkey Hill® is based on the home in which Stewart has lived in for more than 30 years. The classic, comfortable pieces enliven the space with its striking materials and brilliant colors. The Skylands® Collection is inspired by Stewart's 1925 stone house in Maine. Its union of simple elegance and beautiful naturalism echo the eclectic mix of polished woods, natural embellishments and lavish materials. Lily Pond® features a calm, seaside palette, evoking the sunny beauty of Stewart's 19th century beach house on the eastern shore of Long Island.

The Upholstery line is designed to blend effortlessly with the furniture collections. Produced from innovative techniques including reinforced hardware framing, steel spring construction and high resilient foam cores, Stewart's Upholstery collection is long lasting and comfortable. There are 140 exclusive fabrics to choose from to fully customize a piece.

J. Marshall Design opened their Merchandise Mart showroom in 1997 in response to requests from the design community for a showroom that addressed mid-priced home furnishing resources. J. Marshall Design has become the Mart's most complete resource for this category of product, displaying a wide range of styles and prices throughout their 11,000 sq. ft. showroom. John Clarkson, the owner of J. Marshall, has used his retail experience to put together a well-rounded assortment of resources that offer great looks and outstanding values.

"We are excited about the new Martha Stewart Gallery, which will include a special area for guests to see the beautiful collection with Bernhardt," said John Clarkson, owner of J. Marshall Design. "Martha Stewart is an arbiter of style and taste and we know that our customers will love the elegant and innovative pieces in the line."

Martha Stewart is this year's keynote speaker at The Merchandise Mart International Antiques Fair™ and will present a fresh outlook on both old and new objets d'art and "how-to" suggestions for tying everything together with style, Friday, May 1 at 10 a.m.

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The Merchandise Mart Design Center's Designer Portfolios are a unique online resource for homeowners to learn about working with a design professional and help them find the perfect designer to match their tastes, expectations and budget. More than 65 area design professionals are featured in the online Designer Portfolios, with his or her own web page featuring their design philosophy, area(s) of specialty, project photos, fee structure and more. Designer Portfolios can be easily accessed by visiting www.merchandisemartdesigncenter.com and clicking on the Designer Portfolio logo.

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