

## MERCHANDISE MART DESIGN CENTER ANNOUNCES DREAM ROOMS: LUXURY LIVING SPACES

New Initiative Will Present Nine Luxury Living Spaces Designed by Interiors Industry Leaders

**WHAT:** The Merchandise Mart Design Center unites the industry's design leaders to bring you Dream Rooms: Luxury Living Spaces. Dream Rooms is a showcase of nine design leaders' talent and luxury resources from their showrooms in The Merchandise Mart's Design Center. This spring, nine of the acclaimed Design Center showrooms will each use their own furniture, fabrics and accessories to create a luxury living space.

**AND:** Come April 5, 2007, the public can visit Dream Rooms to discover all the high-end resources available at the Merchandise Mart Design Center and be inspired to create their own dream living spaces.

**WHO:** Some of the industry's top design professionals will lend their expertise and resources to each create a luxury living space. Participants include:

Century Furniture

Charles Pollock Reproductions

Holly Hunt for Holly Hunt Chicago

Sally Sirkin Lewis for J Robert Scott

Janice Feldman for JANUS et Cie

Barbara Barry for Kravet Fabrics and Henredon

Nancy Corzine for Nancy Corzine

Judy Niedermaier for Niedermaier

William Switzer & Associates, Ltd.

**WHEN:** Dream Rooms: Luxury Living Spaces will be open to the public:  
April 5 – June 30, 2007

Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Admission: Free

**WHERE:** North Lobby of The Merchandise Mart

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### **ABOUT THE MERCHANDISE MART DESIGN CENTER™**

The Merchandise Mart Design Center™, located in Chicago's historic Merchandise Mart, is home to four floors constituting the world's first and largest design center. As a leader in the \$65 billion residential furnishings market, The Merchandise Mart Design Center offers the largest presentation of high-end, couture, home furnishings worldwide, all under one roof. Encompassing 700,000 square feet, boasting 130 showrooms and featuring more than 2,000 product lines, it is the design professional's ultimate resource for luxury furniture, fabrics, floor coverings, wall coverings, lighting, antiques, and much more.

**Merchandise Mart Properties, Inc. (MMPI)** is a trade show and property management firm, specializing in managing buildings devoted to wholesale showrooms and commercial office space. MMPI produces more than 300 trade shows, market events and conferences each year.

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.

**Vornado Realty Trust**, owners of MMPI, based in New York City, is a fully integrated equity real estate investment trust. Vornado's common shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange and are traded under the symbol VNO.

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