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**Smart Environments Awards Call for Entries**



Great interiors projects aren't just beautiful, they are smart. *Metropolis* magazine and IIDA invite you to enter the 4th Annual Smart Environment Awards™. This competition recognizes individuals and collaborative teams who create excellent, leading edge interior environments that demonstrate the best in sustainability, accessibility, and beauty. Interior design and architecture professionals and teams practicing legally in their jurisdictions may enter projects completed in 2009 or that have not been published previously. All project types and sizes are eligible, as long as they exhibit an integrated approach to design that merges beauty and intelligence with a genuine concern for the environment and human well-being.

For insider insight on the Smart Environments Awards™, read a candid [Q&A with Susan Szenasy](#), Editor in Chief of *Metropolis*. Along with Ken Wilson, FIIDA, FAIA of Envision Design, Susan helped establish the competition in 2006 "as an opportunity to find some of the best projects out there". She recently spoke passionately with IIDA about the Awards and what it means to be a Smart interior designer in the 21st century.

Announcing the judges for this year's competition:

- Jean Hansen, FIIDA**, CID, LEED AP, AAHID, Sustainable Interiors Manager, Sustainable Design Solutions, HDR
- Sadhu Johnston, Chief Environmental Officer, City of Chicago, Mayor's Office
- Rosalyn Cama, FASID, ECAC, CAMA, Inc.

A special thank you to the Smart Environments Awards™ 2009 moderators:

- Rob Moylan, IIDA**, LEED AP, Associate AIA, IIDA Sustainable Forum Advisor, SmithGroup
- Susan Szenasy, Editor in Chief, *Metropolis*

The winners of the 2009 Smart Environments Awards™ will be announced at USGBC's Greenbuild Expo 2009 in Phoenix this November. The deadline to request an [Entry Kit](#) is September 24th and the deadline to submit completed entries is October 9th; more information is available on [IIDA's website](#).

**IIDA Leaders Breakfast Series**



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Members, submit information for consideration in a future issue of *DesignMatters* to [DM-News@iida.org](mailto:DM-News@iida.org).

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We are pleased to announce the **San Francisco Leaders Breakfast**, guest speaker, and honorees. The event will be held on September 10th from 7:30 am to 10:00 am at San Francisco's Four Seasons Hotel.

IIDA is honored to welcome this year's speaker, Majora Carter, founder of Sustainable South Bronx and designer of South Bronx Greenway, 11 miles of bike and pedestrian paths connecting rivers and neighborhoods to one another and to the rest of the city. The project serves as alternative transportation, an economic development anchor, and storm water management infrastructure as well as healthy recreation. Her honors include recipient of a MacArthur "Genius" Grant, one of Newsweek's "25 To Watch", one of Essence Magazine's "25 Most Influential African Americans", one of the New York Post's "50 Most Influential Women in NYC" (for the past two years), and being named by BBC as "NYC's Most Influential Environmentalist".

The Northern California Chapter will bestow a Leadership Award of Excellence to this year's honoree, Dan Huntsman of Huntsman Architectural Group. He will be honored for his contributions to the practice of commercial interior design and architecture since founding his firm in 1981 and for elevating the profession through outstanding leadership and commitment to the practice of design. This year, the Northern California Chapter's Distinguished Achievement Award will be awarded to Bill Watson, founder of Coordinated Resources Inc. for his exemplary contribution in furniture procurement and design support services.

We hope you will join us to celebrate IIDA's legacy of leadership and commitment to the future of design at this powerful and inspiring event. [Register online for the San Francisco Leaders Breakfast.](#)

The **Chicago Leaders Breakfast** is on October 21 at the Drake Hotel. Allison Levine, team captain of the first American women's Everest expedition and business leader, is the keynote speaker. The Chapter will honor Chris Kennedy, President, Merchandise Mart Properties, Inc. [Reserve your table or seat for the Chicago Leaders Breakfast now!](#)

The **Toronto Leaders Breakfast**, in partnership with ARIDO, is on December 4 at the Four Seasons. Edward Burtynsky, one of Canada's most respected photographers, is the keynote speaker. The event honoree is Joe Pettipas, IIDA, ARIDO, ASID, HOK Canada's Practice Leader - Hospitality and Retail.

Special thanks to **Herman Miller** and **Interior Design** magazine, National Benefactors of the Leaders Breakfast series. For more information on any of these events, visit [www.iida.org](http://www.iida.org), or contact [communications@iida.org](mailto:communications@iida.org).

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**IIDA/Contract Magazine Booth Design Competition: The Most Anticipated Award at NeoCon East**

In partnership with *Contract* magazine, this annual IIDA competition recognizes outstanding creativity in booth design at NeoCon East. Each year we have an amazing panel of judges who seek out the top designs at NeoCon East, which will be held at the Baltimore Convention Center on October 28-29, 2009. The IIDA/Contract Magazine Booth Design Competition focuses specifically on originality of design, visual impact, effective use of materials and the outstanding use of space, color, texture, lighting and graphics in booths at the show.

The 2008 competition winner was chosen by judges **Kevin Kenney, IIDA**, SKB Architecture and Design and **Mariann Schofield, IIDA**, USAFSPC. Last year, the Creative Excellence Award was presented to **DIRTT Environmental Solutions** at NeoCon East in Baltimore, MD on October 30, 2008. This year's winning booth will be featured on the websites of [Contract magazine](#), [Merchandise Mart Properties, Inc.](#), and [IIDA](#).

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**The Ring iC@ward Call for Entries**



The Ring iC@ward International Interior Design Competition 2009 is open to designers and firms worldwide who have completed projects between September 2008 and September 2009. Gold, Silver, and Merit awards will be given in thirteen categories based on innovation, creativity, aesthetics, cost effectiveness, functionality, environmental concern, and fidelity to client values. Entries are due by September 30th, and awards will be announced at the Ring iC@ward Gala on December 3rd in Shanghai. For more information, visit [ICIAD's website](#) or download the Entry Invitation [here](#).

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## PitchRate.com and IIDA Introduce PR as a Stimulus Package



In mid-July, IIDA announced a partnership with [PitchRate.com](http://PitchRate.com), a free online service that connects industry experts with journalists from magazines, newspapers, radio, TV and online sources. This new website enables free PR for Members and helps professionals share their knowledge and expertise in particular areas of interest. When you register as a "source" or expert, you have the opportunity to connect directly with journalists seeking knowledgeable designers for their stories.

Many IIDA Members have already registered as experts, and there are still requests from journalists for more design-related content, including healthy design, object-inspired design, 'transformed bakeries' and other success stories. There is no cost to join, so log on and sign up as an expert today. To get started, watch the step-by-step video or email [Shannon Nicholson](mailto:Shannon.Nicholson@PitchRate.com), IIDA's PR Concierge at PitchRate.com. If you have questions, you can also contact [Jeanne Fisher](mailto:Jeanne.Fisher@PitchRate.com), IIDA Senior Director of Communications and Marketing.

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## Re:Work Upcoming Events



The Mohawk Group - in collaboration with IIDA and *Interior Design* magazine - continues to help fill the industry void with **Re:Work**, a series of workshops designed to help reposition careers and restore optimism, for displaced interior designers and architects.

Upcoming day long events include: Phoenix/Scottsdale, September 17; Boston, October 20 and Minneapolis, November 19. To nominate your city as a future host, [visit Re:Work online](http://visit.Re:Work.online). Be sure to pass this along to a friend or colleague in need!

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## CEU Compliance Period Ending December 31, 2009

The current CEU compliance period is January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2009. For more information about the requirement, contact [Ely Padilla](mailto:Ely.Padilla@IIDA.org) at IIDA Headquarters at 312.379.5142. A copy of your official transcript can be obtained on the [NCIDQ website](http://www.ncidq.com) or by calling 202.721.0220. Remember to look for IIDA programs directed toward the Forum-specific areas of practice at upcoming industry shows and other events this fall. Members are also encouraged to check the the new [IIDA Event Calendar](http://www.IIDA.org/EventCalendar) for Forums and CEU Events near you.

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## Upcoming Shows

### MAISON & OBJET



MAISON & OBJET, the largest concentration of home decor collections and accessories ever

gathered in one location, will take place in Paris, September 4 -8, 2009. This prestigious trade show with 3,000 exhibitors will exhibit in over 1 million square feet and present their finest collections of home décor products and accessories.

At the September show, MAISON & OBJET will dedicate an entire hall to Indoor/Outdoor Furniture showcasing the latest international talents and exclusive brands. MAISON & OBJET will also feature an entire section called PROJETS, where interior designers and architects will find products and solutions geared toward the institutional and commercial decorative markets. For additional information and early registration, please visit: <http://www.maison-objet.com/en/index.php?page=commander-badge>

### HD Boutique Exposition and Conference



Explore the Uniqueness of Hospitality Design Boutique Exposition & Conference in Miami Beach, Florida September 14-15. [HD Boutique](#) is where South Beach chic comes alive, with over 600 manufacturers offering access to the hottest design products to hit the Americas. Join in on a Keynote Conversation with Jeffrey Beers on creativity, his work, and his affinity for the integration of art and architecture.

Register [here](#) and receive complimentary expo admission or purchase Full Conference for only \$99. All Conference Sessions at HD Boutique 2009 are LU/CEU accredited. Complimentary expo admission included with any Conference purchase.

### Special IIDA Pricing for IFMA World Workplace 2009 Conference and Expo



As a participating organization, IIDA is pleased to announce that its Members are eligible for special membership pricing at the International Facility Management Association's World Workplace 2009 Conference & Expo. This year's conference will be held Oct. 7-9 at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando. To learn more about the conference or to register, click [here](#).

### Enlighten Americas 2009



Online registration is now open for Enlighten Americas 2009: Leading with Light. This three-day annual conference, presented by IALD and the lighting industry, includes a lineup of international speakers with three seminar tracks focused on Design, Business, and Current Issues, as well as limitless networking opportunities. Enlighten Americas 2009 will be held on October 8-10 in Sonoma Valley, California. [Register](#) online today.

### NeoCon East



NeoCon East, the Mid-Atlantic region's premier design exposition and conference, is coming to the Baltimore Convention Center on October 28-29. Attend the show for two full days of inspiration from the latest products, exceptional keynotes, panel presentations and some of the best educational programming in the industry. Don't miss this opportunity to meet industry leaders, network with other A&D professionals, and gain a new perspective on your business objectives. Look for more information and a link in the next issue of DesignMatters.

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### **Congratulations to Recent Local Award Winners**

The **Delta Regional Chapter** announces the winners of the 2009 RE:Awards Design Competition. Awards of Excellence and Recognition were given in the Student, Corporate, Healthcare, Hospitality, Institutional categories. Awards of Recognition were also granted in the Residential and Retail categories. Select winners include **Sheryl Fox, IIDA**, ASID, **Marie Olivier Lukaszewski, IIDA**, **Matthew Edmonds, IIDA**, and **Amy Savoie, IIDA**. We would also like to thank those who participated as sponsors of the competition and the Recognizing Excellence gala. For a complete list of award winners and sponsors, please visit the [Delta Regional Chapter website](#).

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### **Member News**

**Sylvia Hajo, IIDA**, RID, LEED AP joined Bay Architects in Houston, Texas as the Director of Interiors. Sylvia, a registered interior designer, has 17 years of experience in the industry and holds a degree from the Art Institute of Houston.

**Kerrie Kelly, IIDA**, CID, ASID announces the publication of her latest book, *Home Décor: A Sunset Design Guide*. Kerrie owns All American Design & Furnishings, Inc. and is also introducing her own line of eco-friendly furniture.

**Brett Shwery, Associate IIDA**, Senior Vice President of HOK in Los Angeles, has been promoted to Director of Interior Design. In his new position, Shwery will serve as the group leader in Los Angeles and be responsible for growing the Interiors practice while working with project leaders to achieve clients' design goals.

Congratulations to **Heather McKeon, IIDA**, LEED AP of Kraemer Design Group (KDG) in Detroit, Michigan on LEED accreditation.

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### **Industry News**

**Bentley Prince Street** announces the launch of its Easy Street Collection in Broadloom and Carpet Tile. The collection includes five styles designed for ease of selection, value, and versatility for a broad range of applications. Anthony Minite, president of Bentley Prince Street, describes Easy Street as "an easy-to-use, versatile and high performing collection that works for virtually any environment". Read the press release [here](#).

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### **Foundation News**

NCIDQ Tuition Reimbursement Fund:

This is a final reminder to all IIDA Associate Members who took the NCIDQ exam in April 2009. The deadline to submit your tuition reimbursement request for consideration is this Friday, August 14. Please visit the [IIDA website](#) for more information regarding guidelines and requirements.

### **Chapter & City Center News September and October**

## The Carolinas Chapter

Please join the **Charlotte City Center** on Thursday, August 27 from 5:30-7:30pm for "K-12 Emerging Design Standards" and the "Powerbond Design Awards" sponsored by Tandus, Inc. Tom Ellis, Vice President of Tandus, Inc., is actively involved with the company's focus on indoor air quality and surrounding environmental issues specific to the learning and healthcare environments. He has over 20 years of industry experience in the commercial interior industry. Please join Tandus and IIDA for a fun and informative presentation that will enhance your understanding of how flooring can affect the indoor air quality, comfort and safety of your client's space through evidence-based design. There will also be an awards ceremony for the winner of Tandus's "Powerbond Design Completion." [Click here to view the invitation.](#)

Tandus, Inc. is sponsoring the "Powerbond Design Competition," a floor design and layout competition using the Tandus Powerbond product in an educational setting. Powerbond is Tandus's hybrid resilient sheet floor covering that can be seam welded to create an impervious finished floor. The information session regarding the competition has already been held in Charlotte; however, you may contact your local Tandus representative for more information. This competition is open to the entire **Carolinas Chapter**. [Click here to view the Tandus Powerbond flyer.](#)

Join the **Triangle City Center** for their "Sizzling Summer Social" at Carmen's Cuban Café on Wednesday, August 19 from 6:00-9:00pm where the music will be hot and the moves hotter. Socialize from 6:00-7:00, join the dance lesson from 7:00-8:00, and then Mambo, Salsa and Samba from 8:00-9:00. [Click here to view the invitation.](#)

The **Carolinas Chapter** Communications Team has been working on rebranding the chapter. Their first step was to redesign the Carolinas Chapter logo. A logo design contest was held among the students at the UNC-Greensboro Campus Center this past spring. The winner of the contest was **Jessica Zuniga, Student IIDA**. Jessica's logo design will be incorporated into the new look of our website to be launched soon!

The **Upstate South Carolina City Center** invites you to join them for their "Pillow Talk Event" on Thursday, August 20 from 5:30-7:30 at Venue 4 Design. Take a break from budget restraints and enjoy designing your own custom pillow with beautiful Designtex and Maharam fabrics! Please bring your own pillow form (18"x18" max) and Shades will take care of the sewing, with pillow pick up at a later date. Remaining fabrics will be donated to The Lydia Project, Inc., an outreach program for women coping with cancer. [Click here](#) to view the invitation. [Click here](#) to learn more about The Lydia Project.

Mark your calendars for the 2010 **Carolinas Chapter** Annual Meeting! This exciting event will take place Friday, May 14 through Saturday May 15 in Myrtle Beach, SC. The theme will be "Design of the Decades: Celebrate the past,

## The Delta Regional Chapter

The **Mississippi City Center** and **Kelli Stout, Industry IIDA** of Eykon Wallcovering ask you to save the date for a CEU, Summary of Wallcovering, on August 20th.

Save the date: **Mick Ann Koratsky, Industry IIDA** of Kimball, OffiSource, and the **Mississippi City Center** will present a CEU, Communication with Styles, on September 17th.

The **New Orleans City Center** welcomes you to this month's lunch meeting at Le Pavillon on August 27th from 12 to 1:30 pm. Members are encouraged to bring a donation of at least one school supply for grade K-3 students at the Orleans Parish Schools. ElKay will provide lunch and a presentation entitled Design Styles and Kitchen Sinks to educate designers on how to 'pair the perfect sink with the owner'. The event is free to Members and \$20 for Non-Members, but please [email](#) your RSVP by August 14th.

## The Illinois Chapter

The **Illinois Chapter** invites you to the 5th Annual IIDA STITCH Fashion and Charity Event at Park West on September 24th. The theme for this year's runway show is "Black & White and STITCHed All Over" and the pre-sale for tickets began July 13th. Sponsorship opportunities are available. [Click here](#) for more information.

## The Mid-Atlantic Chapter

The **Washington Metro City Center** announces a new date for the Mini Golf Design Classic, to take place on October 15th at 2121 Crystal Drive in Arlington, Virginia. The festivities, including musical entertainment by a live DJ and a raffle benefiting The National Building Museum's Sustainability and School Program Funds, will begin at 5:30 pm.

Call for Event and Course Partners, Raffle Donors, and Designers. Download the Partnership form [here](#) if you are interested in providing guest entertainment, food, refreshments, and prizes as an Event Partner. Course Partners and Designers (consider teaming up together) are also needed to create one-of-a-kind Holes. Raffle Item Donors are invited to donate products and services which will be on display throughout the event, and the donation form can be downloaded [here](#). For more information, contact [Karen Luria, Affiliate IIDA](#).

USGBC Maryland welcomes IIDA **Mid-Atlantic Chapter** Members to "See the Green: Gensler Baltimore" on August 27th at 5:30 pm. The evening will include appetizers, wine and beer, guided tours of the space highlighting sustainable features, and a panel discussion regarding the design concepts and details of how LEED credits are being achieved. The new office, located at 1 Pratt Street, is a registered LEED CI project, seeking Gold certification. The cost is \$15 for Members and \$25 for Non-Members, and online [registration](#) is now open. Parking is available at the Hyatt Regency Garage and secure bike storage is provided on

Fashion the future" and will feature inspiring speakers and an impressive industry related fashion show, you will not want to miss out! More details to follow.

The **Carolinas Chapter** Student Scholarship winners were announced at the 2009 Annual Meeting and Tradeshow in Charlotte, NC. [Ashley Sehorn, Student IIDA](#) and [Melissa Bauer, Student IIDA](#), both students at Winthrop University, were named the 2009 Student Scholarship winners for the 2008-2009 school year.

Announcing a LEED Green Associate Exam Prep Class, Thursday August 13 from 9am to 5pm in Durham, NC. The purpose of this 8 hour course is to familiarize individuals with the required information for the Green Associate Exam as a supplement to individual preparation. Highlights include: eligibility to sit for LEED Green Associate Exam and material that will prepare you to pass in as little as 10 days. Check out [LEEDTeacher](#), which offers LEED education and consulting for the AEC industry (architects, designers, developers, brokers, etc), for more information.

Chat with fellow **Carolinas Chapter** Members. Check out the Message Board forum through the Knowledge Center link on the IIDA Headquarters [website](#). A folder labeled Carolinas Chapter is provided for you to post a forum topic.

See what the **Carolinas Chapter** has been up to by checking out the News & Events page on the [IIDA Carolinas Chapter website](#).

#### The **Georgia Chapter**

The **Georgia Chapter** presents Trash to Treasure, Benefitting Public Art for the BeltLine. You are invited to join other members of Atlanta's creative community and participate as an artist on the evening of September 17th at 7 pm in the Knoll Showroom. For more information, visit the [Trash to Treasure blog](#) or click [here](#).

#### The **Great Plains Chapter**

Join the **Greater Omaha City Center** on August 27th for the 2nd Bi-annual Cruise for a Cause. Event to include Silent Auction, Live Band, Socializing and a Cruise down the Muddy Mo on the new River City Star Riverboat. Profits to benefit League of Human Dignity and IDCN. To buy tickets or sponsor the event click [here](#) or email [shoemaker@bcdm.net](mailto:shoemaker@bcdm.net).

#### The **Northland Chapter**

The **Northland Chapter** invites you to the 2009 Keynote Forums First Mondays lecture by **Nick Luzietti, FIIDA, AIA**. Nick will entertain and engage you with what inspires him and those who influence his work. Expect the unexpected and join us for what promises to be a First Monday to remember on September 14th at the U of M Humphrey Institute. A 5 pm Networking Reception will precede the 6 pm lecture, which is free for IIDA Members and \$25 for Non-Members. Please [register](#) by September 10th. The Forums First Mondays series offers the design community profession-enriching

the plaza.

Reserve your tickets now for the **Annapolis City Center** Sunset Sail Cruise. Make your [reservations](#) early; this is Annapolis City Center's signature event and is very popular. The Woodwind Sailing Vessel will leave the dock at 6:30 pm sharp on August 18th. Enjoy an evening sailing with IIDA on the Chesapeake Bay!

#### The **Northern Pacific Chapter**

The **Northern Pacific Chapter** announces a Corporate Forum: The Integrated Design Approach. This dialogue—featuring guests Craig Parsons of the Seneca Real Estate Group, Joel Loveland of Integrated Design Lab, and Jack Avery of Sellen Construction Company—focuses on how the integrated design process can be made meaningful to each designer or individual contributing toward a design project. Haworth is hosting this event in their Seattle Showroom at 7:30 am on August 11th. Pastries and coffee will be provided, [registration](#) is free for Members, \$20 for Non-Members, and \$10 for Student Non-Members.

IIDA **Northern Pacific Chapter** is pleased to announce our continued partnership with the Buildex Seattle exposition. [Buildex](#), featuring DesignTrends Seattle, is a comprehensive trade show with more than 125 exhibits and over 30 educational seminars for professionals from Washington State's Design, Architectural and Construction industries. If you are interested in exhibiting, complimentary corner upgrades (a \$100 value) are available for IIDA Members who register before July 26 for the October 14-15 show. For more information email [Dave Tyldesley](mailto:DaveTyldesley) or call 877.739.2112 and press "2".

The IIDA **Northern Pacific Chapter** is proud to present the 6th Annual Inwards, a juried competition for interior design excellence and innovation. Interior designers, architects, and industrial designers from Northern Pacific Chapter region may submit entries of interior spaces and products completed after January 2006. The deadline for entry is September 1 and the form can be downloaded [here](#). More information is available on the Northern Pacific Chapter's [website](#), by [emailing](#), or calling 206.762.6471.

**Seattle City Center** will announce a new early September date for its annual "Cruise the Sound" event. Check the next issue of DesignMatters for details.

#### The **Ohio Kentucky Chapter**

The **Columbus City Center** invites you to attend their Second Annual NeoCon Review on Thursday August 20th. The free event will be held at the Buckeye Hall of Fame Café from 3 pm to 8 pm and includes food, drinks, and giveaways. Visit the [Ohio Kentucky Chapter website](#) for more information.

#### The **Pennsylvania/New Jersey/Delaware Chapter**

The **Philadelphia City Center** invites you to a Meet 'n Greet at Octo Waterfront Grill, 221 N. Columbus Blvd., Philadelphia on Wednesday, August 12, 2009 from 5:00-7:00 pm. Light

educational programs, lectures, and tours the first Monday of each month.

#### The **Northern California Chapter**

The **Northern California Chapter** presents Color Forecasting: Trends in Wall Coverings on September 22 at 5:30 pm. The event will be hosted by Darden Architects at 6790 North West Avenue in Fresno. Sponsor Koroseal Interior Products Group will discuss upcoming color trends in Wall Covering Finishes as well as Color and Regional Trends and Influences. Please RSVP to [Leslie Arnold, IIDA](#).

The **Northern California Chapter** and Innerspace Industries invite you to tour the Innerspace Industries Factory on August 12th at 6:00 pm. The facility is located at 4628 East Thomas Avenue in Fresno, and [Leslie Arnold, IIDA](#) can be contacted for [RSVPs](#).

The **Northern California Chapter** and **Sacramento City Center** will host their 10th Annual Golf Tournament on August 20th at Apple Mountain Resort in Camino with a 10am Shot Gun Start. This year's theme is "Your Favorite Cartoon Character or Animated Movie". [Register here](#), or contact [Amanda McCracken](#) for more information.

Save the Date for the IIDA **Northern California Chapter's** 4th Annual Rock N' Bowl Fundraiser on November 7th. The event will be held from 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm at Strike Zone at Fort Shafter. This year, the annual event will take on a 70's theme.

#### The **Southwest Chapter**

Remember to contact your city center directors and to check out the [chapter calendar](#) for upcoming events.

For **Phoenix City Center** summer events, please contact City Center Director [Catherine Pieratt](#).

**Phoenix City Center** also asks to you save the date for the September 17 UnVeiled trade show from 4:30-8:30 pm at Scottsdale Galleria. Contact the Phoenix City Center director [Marissa Matusow, Industry IIDA](#) for more information.

**Las Vegas City Center** Members, please contact [Jonelle Vance, IIDA](#), LEED AP for information regarding upcoming events in the Las Vegas area.

The **Tucson City Center** invites you to its 2nd annual Membership Event on September 3 from 6:30-8:00 pm. For more information email the Tucson City Center director, [Chrise Eddy, IIDA](#).

The **Tucson City Center** planning committee for the 2009 membership event is forming. If you are interested in participating, please contact [Chrise Eddy, IIDA](#) for more information.

For additional **Tucson City Center** summer events, please contact Center Director [Chrise Eddy, IIDA](#).

snacks provided by IIDA and cash bar. RSVP [here](#).

The **Philadelphia City Center** asks you to Save the Date for our Annual Product Parade that showcases the latest products from NeoCon on October 1, 2009. More information to follow.

The **New Jersey City Center** asks "What inspires you?". Please join us for an evening of inspiration with special guest speaker Suzanne Tick at The Medicines Company, 8 Sylvan Way, Parsippany, NJ on Thursday, September 17 from 5:30-9:00 pm. [RSVP](#) by August 31, 2009.

The **Pocono Mountain City Center** asks you to save the date for the 2nd Annual Specifiers' Showcase that showcases the latest products from NeoCon on September 17 in Scranton, PA. Please email [Greg Marinelli, Associate IIDA](#) for more information.

The **Pittsburgh City Center** asks you to Save the Date for the 15th Annual Sinker at Grandview Golf Club in North Braddock on Friday, September 18th, 2009. Please [email](#) for sponsorship or event registration.

#### The **Southern California Chapter**

The **Southern California Chapter** presents the Gamble House Private Tour on Saturday August 22nd beginning at 10:30 am at 4 Westmoreland Place in Pasadena. Light refreshments will be provided. Please wear broad-heeled flat shoes to protect the flooring. Tickets can be ordered [online](#) and are \$20 for IIDA Members, \$25 for Non-Members.

**Orange County City Center** Committee Meetings will be held at 7:30 am on August 5th, and September 2nd at CBI in Irvine. Visitors are welcome.

If you missed NeoCon, please join the **San Diego City Center** for its NeoCan't Trade Fair on August 27th from to 8:30 pm at the San Diego Wine and Culinary Center.

Save the date for the **San Diego City Center's** 2nd Annual Haute Couture a la San Diego fashion show on September 23rd at 6:00 pm. This year's reformatted event will be held at The Prado at Balboa Park, Grand Ballroom.

The **San Diego City Center** Committee Meeting will be held on October 1st at 11:30 am at A-DWRB on India Street. Please [RSVP](#) and bring a brown bag lunch.

Southern California's emerging commercial interior designers are welcomed into the professional design community at the Coming Out Party 5-9pm on August 13 at the Allsteel and Haworth Water Garden showrooms. RSVP is required, tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, and are available along with additional information on the event [website](#).

#### The **Rocky Mountain Chapter**

The **Rocky Mountain Chapter** invites you to a networking hour, tour, and presentation hosted by the Boulder Street Gallery in Colorado Springs. The event will take place on August 13th at 206 N Tejon Street, beginning with

### The **Texas/Oklahoma Chapter**

Please join the **Texas/Oklahoma Chapter** at METROCON 2009 August 13-14th. There is no cost for IIDA Members to attend the show and your total CEU requirements can be met for \$35 if you are a Member, \$100 for Non-members. Over 200 exhibitors are registered and a happy hour event on Thursday will include beverages and assorted foods. Click [here](#) for registration and more information.

The **Texas/Oklahoma Chapter** and **Houston City Center** invite you to save the date for a Houstonian Welcoming Party at METROCON. All designers and representatives are invited to attend this Rodeo-Themed kick-off reception in Dallas from 7:30 to 9 pm on August 13th. More information on the exact location to follow.

The **City Center of Oklahoma City** presents Healthy Indoor Air Quality by Design, a CEU presented by Paul Bates of Greenguard. The presentation will take place in Oklahoma City on August 27th 11:30 am to 1 pm at the Ronald J. Norrick Downtown Library, 4th Floor. Please RSVP to [swick@arc-com.com](mailto:swick@arc-com.com).

### The **Wisconsin Chapter**

The **Wisconsin Chapter** announces On Par with IIDA Wisconsin, a golf outing on Thursday August 20th at Whispering Springs Golf Club in Fond du Lac. The all-day event begins with registration at 10:00 am and a shotgun start/best ball scramble at 11:00 am followed by a social, dinner, awards, and a raffle. Send an email for [more information](#).

networking and refreshments at 5:30 pm. There is no cost to attend this program, presented by the Rocky Mountain Chapter in conjunction with ASID.

Save the date for the **Rocky Mountain Chapter's** Fashion Remix event on October 22, 2009. Opportunities still exist to join sponsors Interface, Haworth, Knoll, Teknion, and DesignTex. Three levels of sponsorship are available and the pre-sale for general tickets began July 13th. For more information visit [Fashion Remix](#) online.

The **City Center of Salt Lake City** reminds you that the RSVP deadline is approaching for the 2009 Salt Lake City IIDA Tradeshow. The event will take place on August 26th from 11 am to 1:30 pm at the Jewish Community Center on North Medical Drive in Salt Lake City. Lunch, prizes, and networking opportunities will be provided along with a look at the latest products from NeoCon. RSVP to [David Morris](#) or [Amanda Webb](#).

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