



Finalists Announced for the 28th Annual ARTS Awards

DALLAS – September 6, 2016 – Dallas Market Center, co-founder and producer of the ARTS Awards, and ART, the creative home furnishings network, today announced the finalists for the 28th annual ARTS Awards.

The ARTS Awards, presented each January during the Dallas Total Home & Gift Market, honors top manufacturers, retailers, designers and sales representatives. The 28th annual ARTS winners will be revealed during a gala event on Friday, Jan. 20, 2017.

"We are both thrilled and grateful to be able to recognize those who have exemplified leadership, dedication and ingenuity in our industry over the past year," Cindy Morris, president and CEO of Dallas Market Center, said. "We congratulate all of the finalists and look forward to a wonderful evening at the ARTS Awards gala in January."

"These 28th ARTS Awards finalists are very deserving of the recognition. I'm very excited to see many new competitors in this year's group of finalists," Sharon Davis, executive director of ART, said. "I look forward to working with all of the companies and individuals nominated this year."

The finalists each submit a creative digital presentation to a panel of distinguished judges. Digital submissions vary based on category and may consist of product development, marketing, merchandising or company differentiation examples. In November, the judges will convene in Dallas for two days to review each individual or company submission. Once all components of judging are complete, a designated accounting firm will tabulate and secure the scores until the winners are announced for the first time at the ARTS Awards gala.

28th ARTS Awards Finalists

Manufacturers

Accent Furniture

Emporium Home
Home Trends & Design
Selamat Designs

Area Rugs

Dash & Albert
Jaipur Living
KAS Rugs
Surya
The Rug Market

Home Accents

Bliss Studio

Howard Elliott Collection
Phillips Collection
Regina Andrew Design

Home Textiles

Annie Selke Luxe
Lacefield
Lili Alessandra
Square Feathers

Lighting Fixtures

Crystorama
Currey & Company
Feiss
Fine Art Lamps
Hubbardton Forge

Outdoor Living

Emissary
Klaussner Outdoor
O.W. Lee Company

Lamps

Couture Lamps Inc
Dimond Lighting
John-Richard
Uttermost
Visual Comfort & Co.

Tabletop

Beatriz Ball Collection
Juliska
Montes Doggett

Wall Décor

Oliver Gal
Paragon
RFA Decor
Soicher-Marin
Wendover Art Group

Retailers

Furniture Store

Single Store Location

Capricho Interiors - Lubbock, Texas
Eclectic Home - New Orleans, La.
Home Crush - Beverly Hills, Calif.
Jonathons Coastal Living - Fountain Valley, Calif.

Multiple Store Location

HOM Furniture - Coon Rapids, Minn.
The Arrangement - Dallas, Texas
Wisteria - Farmers Branch, Texas

Home Accents Store

East/Atlantic

Candelabra - Mount Pleasant, S.C.
Redefined Home Boutique - Atlanta, Ga.
The Iron Gate - Franklin, Tenn.

Midwest/Southwest

Coco & Dash - Dallas, Texas
That's Haute - Bedford, Texas

West

Absolutely Fabulous - Huntington Beach, Calif.
Tuvalu - San Juan Capistrano, Calif.

Lighting Showroom

East/Atlantic

Elements Distinctive Lighting & Home Furnishing - Carle Place, N.Y.
The Symphony of Light - Canton, Mass.

Midwest/Southwest

Ferguson Enterprises - Conroe, Texas
Lighting Etc. - Fort Worth, Texas
Metro Lighting - Brentwood, Mo.

West

Accent Lighting - Lake Oswego, Ore.
Lighting Unlimited - Cameron Park, Calif.
Phillips Lighting & Home - Modesto, Calif.

International Retailers

Aaron Stewart Home - San Juan, Puerto Rico
Spectro Lighting - Santo Domingo, D.N.,
Dominican Republic

Sales Representatives

East/Atlantic

Greg Lewis - jdouglas
Steve Ricci - Ricci Sales Agency
Brian Slater - Slater Lighting Solutions

Midwest/Southwest

Charlotte Urban - CODARUS
Sandy Holberg - Taylors on Ten

West

Patrick Slater - ENVSN Lights

David May - Minka Group

Product Designers

Dann Foley - Dann Inc.
Corey Damen Jenkins - Corey Damen Jenkins
& Associates
Mark Moussa - Arteriors Home
Ron McIntyre - Square Feathers

Interior Designers

Denise McGaha - Denise McGaha Interiors
Ron Woodson & Jaime Rummerfield -
Woodson and Rummerfield's House of
Design
Kerrie Kelly - Kerrie Kelly Design Lab
Nancy Price - Nancy Price Interior Design
Shay Geyer - IBB Design

For more information please visit dallasmarketcenter.com/artsawards.

Sponsors for the 28th annual ARTS Awards include *enLIGHTenment*, *Gifts & Decorative Accessories*, *Giftware News*, *HFN*, *Home Fashion Forecast*, *Home & Textiles Today*, *Home Accents Today*, Interior Design Society, *Lyon Credit Services*, *Residential Lighting* and Sustainable Furnishings Council.

About Dallas Market Center

Dallas Market Center is a global business-to-business trade center and the leading wholesale marketplace in North America connecting retailers and interior designers with top manufacturers in home décor, furniture, gifts, lighting and fashion. Inside its dynamic, five million square foot campus near downtown Dallas, nearly 200,000 customers from all 50 states and 85 countries seek industry trends, business education and new products via open-daily showrooms and from exhibitors participating in trade events held throughout the year. The Dallas Market Center website is available at dallasmarketcenter.com.

About ART

ART is the creative home furnishings network representing manufacturers, retailers, representatives and other individuals and companies interested in promoting and enhancing the market position of the home furnishings industry. Each year ART sponsors programs such as the ART conference, regional educational seminars, the ART card and the ARTS Awards. The ART website is available at accessoriesresourceteam.org.

About the ARTS Awards

The ARTS Awards is the premier international awards program dedicated to the home industry. Up to 27 categories exist under the headings Manufacturer, Retailer, Product Designer, Interior Designer, Sales Representative, Rising Star, Green, Legendary Leadership and Academy of Achievement. Anyone in the industry can nominate including manufacturers, retailers, sales representatives, designers, suppliers, consultants and other industry professionals. Academy of Achievement, Rising Star and Legendary Leadership honorees are selected by an ARTS Awards committee each year. Companies that have won an ARTS Award five times are inducted into the

Hall of Fame. Hall of Fame members are: Arteriors Home, BJ's Home Accents, C.S. Wo & Sons, Distinctive Designs International Inc., Feizy Rugs, Fine Art Lamps, Global Views, Natural Decorations Inc., Palecek, Paragon, Schonbek Worldwide Lighting and Seasonal Living. The ART website is available at dallasmartcenter.com/artsawards.

###