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BEST OF DECOREX® USA AWARDS PRESENTED DURING INTERNATIONAL WELCOME RECEPTION

CHICAGO [June 7, 1999] — DECOREX© USA was the proud host of the *Best of DECOREX USA Awards* presented at the International Welcome Reception held Sunday, June 6 at The Merchandise Mart.

The *Best of DECOREX USA Awards* ceremony recognized design and product innovation in three categories, including:

- Best of DECOREX USA
- Best New Fabric -
- Best New Product

The winner of the Best of DECOREX Award was presented to World Design Inc. for most outstanding booth design and presentation. The inventive product displayed was created especially for introduction at DECOREX USA at the company's factory in Istanbul.

Sahco-Hesslein, Inc. was honored with Best New Fabric for innovation, and Gretchen Bellinger won for overall design. Both products were introduced at DECOREX USA.

Stephen Tomar Furniture was acknowledged for Best New Furniture Product for innovation in product design other than a textile, while Serie Rare was recognized for Best New Hardware Product.

Jurors who selected the *Best of DECOREX USA Awards* were:

- Joan Blutter, FASID, interior designer, Blutter/Schiff Design Associates
- Elana Frankel, market editor, Interior Design magazine
- Pamela Sherrod, features writer, Chicago Tribune
- Christine Ness, interior designer, licensing consultant, Ness Associates
- Pam Wilson, home editor, *Traditional Home* magazine

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