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## The Washington Design Center

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Stark carpet, fabric, wallcovering and furniture  
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The Washington Design Center, located in the nation's capital, is the region's largest resource for high-end home furnishings. They have over 60 showrooms featuring more than 1,000 product lines, and offer everything from luxury furniture, textiles, lighting, floor coverings, building products and accessories.

The Washington Design Center, originally a refrigerated warehouse built in 1919, was converted in 1982.

The showrooms on floors 1 through 7 are open to browse for non-trade professionals. Consumers are able to view and purchase directly from all kitchen, furniture and flooring showrooms, which is located on the Concourse level.

The Washington Design Center's 2010 Design House, Halls of Fame, opened May 24 and will run until December 11, 2010, which features 8 designers work, defined as urban elegance. The floor plan consists of a portico, foyer, study, dining room, family room, living room, master bedroom and garden terrace.

The garden terrace, designed by Michael Roberson Interiors, was created on the concept of bringing the garden inside. Photographs that were taken from the designer's own garden, green turf carpeting, live plants and warm colors all give the room a natural feel, despite being on the fifth floor of a city building.

The Design House is open to the public and admission is free. All proceeds from the Design House will go to benefit Georgetown University's Hospital's Department of Pediatrics.