



My Trip To The 2010 Design House @ The DC Design Center

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I was recently invited to preview the 2010 Design House at The Washington Design Center. The sneak peak event was held to launch the opening of the 2010 Hall of Fame Design House. The Design House, which resides on the newly rebuilt 5th floor, is a beautiful show case of local designers. Rich, high-end furnishing, fabrics and décor provide the perfect jumping off point for these luxurious rooms that are meant to inspire consumers.

While I am still a novice at the design game, I can tell you it was stunning. You enter through a cream color portico. I was immediately taken with the lantern that greeted you in the space. Then it was onto one of my favorite rooms, The Foyer. Designed by DC Design Goddess, Kelley Proxmire, the room enveloped you in glamour and graphic contrasts. The bamboo wood floors were painted a deep brown that appeared almost black. The floors, inspired by David Hicks, were black with a white octagonal pattern. The contrast of white, black and various shades of turquoise were intoxicating. I later found out that Ms. Proxmire did the dramatic DC Design Center entry (pictured below).



Moving through the other rooms each designer created a unique space that reflected their amazing talent. In the Dining Room, designed by Victor Shargai, Victor Shargai and Associates, Inc, I was immediately drawn to the Colin Winterbottom artwork. His is a genius. His images of Washington D.C. are breathtaking. Deep purple walls were offset with cream fabrics and a rich Stark rug.



Photography - Colin Winterbottom

Another favorite was the Master Bedroom. Olivia Demetriou Adamstein and Melinda Nettelbeck created a soothing retreat that included a marble filled master bath suite and a hotel cool bedroom replete with a sexy seating area and television wall. This urbane retreat was polished, clean and simply gorgeous.



Adamstein & Demetriou, Inc. also can take credit for the design savvy at Zola, Poste, Zaytinya and Bistro Bis to name a few. [LINK](#)



The Halls of Fame Design House was revealed at a black tie gala on Thursday, May 20. It is now open to the public until Saturday, December 4, 2010. Admission is free. **The Hall of Fame Design House is open to the public.**

Dates

May 21 - December 4, 2010

Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Saturday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Below you find more information about the Washington Design Center. This information is provided courtesy of <http://www.dcdesigncenter.com/>.

The Washington Design Center is primarily dedicated "Trade" or design professionals. Consumers (Non-trade professionals) are welcome to browse the Design Center showrooms on floors 1-7, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Consumers can visit and purchase directly from all Kitchen, Furniture and Flooring showrooms located on the Concourse-Level, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Purchases can be made through our Consumer buying service, [Entrée](#).

With Entrée, you will receive a free, one-hour, no-obligation designer consultation with our Entrée Representative. You can use this one hour in any way you choose: review floor plans, ask color questions, discuss solutions for your design problems and make your purchases from The Washington Design Center's numerous furniture, fabric, accessory, kitchen and building showrooms. All with a design professional by your side!

If you are looking for an exact to-the-trade item to purchase, and not a room renovation or home redesign, then The Washington Design Center's Entrée is for you.