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**TOP CHICAGO RESTAURANTS, WORLD-RENOWNED WINES,  
EXCEPTIONAL DESIGN AT 5th ANNUAL CHILL**

*LuxeHome Hosts Chicago's Premier Wine & Culinary Event*

**CHICAGO (October 12, 2011)**—On Thursday, November 10, 2011, LuxeHome, in partnership with *Wine Spectator* and the Chicago Tribune will present CHILL, An International Wine & Culinary event to benefit charity. One of Chicago's best and most popular culinary events in the city, CHILL features world-renowned wines paired with gourmet food from distinguished chefs hosted in LuxeHome's 30 kitchen and bath boutiques. Open to the public and located on the first floor of the world-famous Merchandise Mart, LuxeHome is the world's largest collection of premier boutiques for home building and renovation.

This year, CHILL will benefit three wonderful organizations. It will continue to benefit the Respiratory Health Association of Metropolitan Chicago in their crusade to fight lung disease and promote healthy lungs through research, advocacy, and education, as well as Chicago Youth Symphony Orchestras and Lynn Sage Foundation. Over the past four years, CHILL has raised nearly \$250,000 for charity.

A VIP Reception will be held from 5-6pm in Paris Ceramics, Suite 146 and will include gourmet food from L<sub>2</sub>O and exquisite wine from Domaine Serene through Wine Spectator. This VIP Reception will benefit the Chicago Youth Symphony Orchestras (CYSO), which has provided music education and performance opportunities of the highest caliber for 65 years. But CYSO is more than just exceptional performances; it is music education, music outreach, and special events.

Following the VIP Reception, the Main Event, 6-8:30pm, will feature wines, spirits, beer and culinary tastings from more than 40 distinguished Chicago Area chefs and restaurants.

**Restaurants Include:**

- 2 Sparrows
- 25 Degrees
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- The Bristol
- Butcher & the Burger
- Café des Architects
- Cité
- Coco Pazzo
- Custom House

- David Burke's Primehouse
- deca Restaurant
- Hubbard Inn
- IPO
- Japonais Restaurant
- Keefer's
- Kinzie Chop House
- **L<sub>2</sub>O (VIP RECEPTION)**
- Lockwood/Palmer House
- Markethouse
- Mercadito
- Michael Jordan Steak House
- Nacional 27
- Nick's Fishmarket Grill & Bar
- One Sixty Blue
- Phil Stefani's 437 Rush
- Prosecco
- Province
- RL
- Roka Akor
- Rosebud Restaurant
- Roy's Hawaiian Fusion Cuisine
- Sabor Saveur
- Sixteen
- Socca
- Sub-Zero Wolf
- Terzo Piano
- The Chopping Block
- The Purple Pig
- The Signature Room at the 95th
- Tocco
- Wave (W Hotel)
- Wildfire

"Each year, CHILL gets bigger and better attracting food, wine and design lovers to LuxeHome all in the name of charity," says Katherine Flaherty, vice president of building products and special projects, MMPI. "We're honored to host such a successful epicurean affair in our kitchen and bath boutiques and help raise money for three very important local charities."

The evening will be supported by lively entertainment from Piano Trends Music Company and a variety of other food and beverage sponsors such as Acqua Panna and Perrier, Artisan Cellar, Brix Chocolate, The French Pastry School, Fox & Obel, Nona's Santi's Biscotti, and much more to complement your tasting experience. Also, there is a fabulous Silent Auction featuring wine and restaurant packages donated by participating wineries, distributors, restaurants and more to benefit the Respiratory Health Association of Metropolitan Chicago.

CHILL is Thursday, November 10, 2011 with VIP Tasting Reception from 5-6 p.m. followed by the Wine & Culinary Event and Silent Auction from 6-8:30 p.m. 50% of all ticket sales benefit the three charities and 100% of the proceeds from the Silent Auction will benefit the Respiratory Health Association of Metropolitan Chicago.

Tickets are \$85 for the Main Event and \$175 for the VIP Wine Tasting Reception.

Tickets can be purchased online at <http://www.luxehome.com/chill> or by phone at 312-527-4691.

#### **ABOUT LUXEHOME®**

LuxeHome boasts more than 115,000 square feet of space with 30 boutiques that feature the finest kitchen and bath products for luxury home building and renovation from the most recognized and respected manufacturers worldwide. Open to the public, as well as interior designers, architects and custom builders, LuxeHome displays the widest selection of products to fit all lifestyles, from modern European to classic American to traditional English. In addition to the extensive lineup of manufacturers, each boutique offers knowledgeable designers who are available to assist with all phases of each design project. LuxeHome's boutiques are open for shopping Monday through Saturday.

MMPI is the world's leading owner and operator of showroom buildings and trade show facilities, bringing buyers and sellers together in more than 300 market events, trade and consumer shows and conferences each year.

MMPI manages The Merchandise Mart and 350 W. Mart Center in Chicago; the Architects & Designers Building and 7 W New York in New York; the Boston Design Center in Boston; the L.A. Mart in Los Angeles; and the Washington Design Center and Federal Center Southwest in Washington D.C.

Vornado Realty Trust, owner of MMPI, based in New York City, is a fully integrated real estate investment trust. Vornado's common shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange and are traded under the symbol VNO.

#### **ABOUT WINE SPECTATOR**

Wine Spectator is the world's largest circulation wine publication. Our experienced tasters provide authoritative wine reviews, from rare collectibles to great values; we rate more than 12,000 wines per year, more than any other publication. Feature stories, news and columns put wine in context, offering news and analysis, comprehensive travel and dining guides, advice for collectors, wine-matching menus and more.

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