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AI & THE FUTURE OF DESIGN

We hosted our AI & The Future of Design event on November 14th at Villa Maria College, and it was a fantastic success with over 70 attendees! The event featured insightful presentations from Lauren Schulte of Monarch Kitchen Design Studio and Christopher Lamendola of Creekside Custom Workshop, who shared their expertise on integrating AI into Interior Design business models. A special thank you to our vendor showcase participants and event sponsors—Budget Blinds of Williamsville, Buffalo Plumbing Showroom, Ethan Allen of WNY. Italian Marble and Granite, and Walls Beautiful. Your support and partnership were invaluable to the event's success. We'd also like to extend our gratitude to Villa Maria College for graciously hosting us and providing their beautiful facility. Here's to shaping the future of design together!





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KEVIN GUEST HOUSE HOLIDAY DECORATING

Our amazing IDA Members recently volunteered at Kevin Guest House to spread holiday cheer by decorating the space for the season. With a festive spirit, they transformed the environment into a cozy, welcoming space for guests. Thank you to all who volunteered as this work gives back to the our local community making a meaningful impact on those in need of a little extra cheer.

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2024 HOLIDAY PARTY!

We celebrated our annual holiday party in a new and exciting way on December 5th, hosting our first-ever evening cocktail party at the Richardson Hotel's chic Sinatra Lounge. A big thank you to our generous sponsors, Colvin Draperies and MP Carroll Hardwood, for making this festive event possible. Special thanks also go to Jennifer Dowdell, IDA Social Events Chair for planning a memorable evening filled with great company and holiday cheer!









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2025 INCOMING BOARD ANNOUNCEMENT

<u>The 2025 Incoming Board has been</u> <u>finalized! Re-elected Board Members</u> <u>include</u>

- Peggy Morgans, Treasury Chair
- Sandra Reicis, Secretary Chair
- Barb Reformat, Charitable Projects Chair

We're also excited to welcome incoming Board Members at Large:

- Christopher Lamendola with Creekside Custom Workshop,
- Katrina Hora with Italian Marble Granite
- Nikki Wolfe with Ethan Allen of WNY

A special thank you goes to the outgoing Board Members for their years of dedication to the IDA:

- Susan Goltz, Marketing Chair
- Mindy Hesslink, Monthly Events Chair
- Janet Ramseyer, Membership Chair

Stepping into those roles are sitting Board Members Lauren Schulte, Marketing Chair and Kerry Leahy, Membership Chair.

We look forward to a successful 2025!

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

IDA Membership renewals are upon us! You will receive additional information through both your email, and through the mail. Please keep this in mind and monitor these closely! We look forward to your 2025 renewal.







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RE-ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS



Peggy Morgans Treasurer



Sandra Reicis Secretary



Barb Reformat Charitable Contributions

INCOMING BOARD MEMBERS - 2025



Christopher Lamendola Board Member at Large



Katrina Hora Board Member at Large



Nikki Wolfe Board Member at Large

OUTGOING BOARD MEMBERS



Susan Goltz Marketing



Mindy Hesslink Monthly Events



Janet Ramseyer Membership

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UPCOMING MONTHLY EVENTS -2025

We're excited to announce our upcoming Monthly Events in 2025!

- Thursday, January 23rd Hosted by Colvin Draperies
- Tuesday, February 18th Hosted by Ferguson Bath, Kitchen, & Lighting Gallery
- Thursday, March 13th Speed Networking Event, back by popular demand after a fantastic success last year, hosted by Artisans Kitchens and Bath! Event information will be sent via email.

and promoted on social media closer to event dates. Don't miss out!



TRIPS & TOURS - 2025

We are excited to announce a trip to the Kips Bay Decorator Show House in Palm Beach, Florida, happening the weekend of February 28th-March 2nd! This exclusive event showcases some of the best interior design talent, and we would love for you to join us. To confirm your spot, please commit by January 6th to the IDA E-mail. Please note that transportation is not provided, but the IDA will coordinate an Air BNB for those interested. Additional fees may apply, and information/updates will be sent to the membership. We look forward to an inspiring and

unforgettable weekend in Palm Beach!

NEW 2024 MEMBERS -WELCOME!

- CHERIE ANDREWS DESIGN
- CORINTHIAN HOMES
- DEBORAH FERRER DESIGN STUDIO LLC.
- ELINA RUGS & HOME
- ETHAN ALLEN OF CNY
- FERGUSON BATH, KITCHEN + LIGHTING
- INTERNATIONAL STONE GALLERY

- KENDAL CAVALIERI DESIGN
- LAURIE WORKS
- LG HOME APPLIANCE PRO BUILDER
- MIR LIVING
- MORGAN HOMES OF WNY, INC.
- MS INTERNATIONAL INC.
- TRINITY DESIGN

