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Dwell With Dignity to Receive Inaugural Visionary Award at ARTS Awards Gala

DALLAS – October 2, 2012 – Dallas Market Center and ART, the creative home furnishings network, today announced [Dwell with Dignity](#) will be honored during the 24th annual ARTS Awards with the inaugural Visionary Award.

The Visionary Award recognizes industry innovation and excellence – qualities best represented by Dwell with Dignity for its tremendous contribution to help families and communities as well as its inspirational impact on the design and home industries.

“Dwell with Dignity’s mission to help families escape poverty and homelessness through design makes them the perfect recipient of the first Visionary Award,” said Bill Winsor, president and CEO, Dallas Market Center. “We’re honored to recognize and thank them during the ARTS Awards.”

“We’re truly grateful and humbled by this award and recognition,” said Lisa Robison, founder and president, Dwell with Dignity. “Our continued goal is to inspire and help as many families as we can through design, and appreciate the shared enthusiasm and support of our vision from Dallas Market Center and organizations such as ART.”

Dwell with Dignity is a Dallas-based nonprofit group of interior designers and volunteers dedicated to creating soothing, inspiring homes for families struggling with homelessness and poverty. Dwell with Dignity installs home interiors for families that include donated and refurbished furnishings and art, as well as bedding, kitchen supplies and food in the pantry. Dwell with Dignity brings good design to those less fortunate; inspiring families to maintain a standard of living they can be proud of and thrive in.

The ARTS Awards will be presented during a gala event on Saturday, Jan. 19, 2013 at the Hilton Anatole Hotel. For additional information regarding the ARTS Awards, please contact Lindsey Villarreal at 214-655-7654 or lillarreal@mcmcmail.com.

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About Dallas Market Center

Founded in 1957, Dallas Market Center is the world's most complete wholesale marketplace. Within its marketplace of more than five million square feet, retailers from around the globe source products ranging from home furnishings, gifts, decorative accessories and lighting to textiles, fashion accessories and men's, western, women's and children's apparel. With more than 50 markets each year attended by more than 200,000 retail buyers from all 50 states and 78 countries, Dallas Market Center offers hundreds of events and seminars geared toward helping retailers expand business and increase profits. As a result, more than \$8 billion in estimated wholesale transactions are conducted annually within the Dallas Market Center complex. The Dallas Market Center website is available at www.dallasmarketcenter.com.

About ART

ART is the creative home furnishings network representing manufacturers, retailers, representatives and other individuals and companies interested in promoting and enhancing the market position of the home furnishings industry. Each year ART sponsors programs such as the ART conference, regional educational seminars, the ART card and the ARTS Awards. The ART website is available at <http://www.accessoriesresourceteam.org/>.

About the ARTS Awards

The ARTS Awards is the premier awards program dedicated to the home industry. Twenty-five categories exist under the headings Manufacturer, Retailer, Product Designer, Sales Representative, Rising Star, Green, Academy of Achievement and Visionary. Anyone in the industry can nominate including manufacturers, retailers, sales representatives, designers, suppliers, consultants and other industry officials. Academy of Achievement and Visionary honorees are selected by an ARTS Awards committee each year. Companies that have won an ARTS Award five times are inducted into the Hall of Fame. Hall of Fame members are: BJ's Home Accents, C.S. Wo & Sons, Distinctive Designs International Inc., Feizy Rugs, Fine Art Lamps, Global Views, Montage, Natural Decorations Inc., Palecek, Paragon, Robb & Stucky and Schonbek Worldwide Lighting.

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