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### 1. WESTWEEK KEYNOTE PROGRAM: TOP DESIGN PUTS YOUNG TALENT TO THE TEST, LOS ANGELES

Margaret Russell, Editor in Chief, ELLE DECOR, headed a panel discussion with show host Todd Oldham, featured judge Kelly Wearstler, and interior designers Heather Ashton, Felicia Bushman, Erik Kolacz, and Elizabeth Moore at the Pacific Design Center during WestWeek.

Photo: Heather Ashton; Charles Cohen, president & owner, PDC; Todd Oldham; Erik Kolacz; Margaret Russell; Felicia Bushman; Kelly Wearstler.



### 2. HOLLY HUNT EVENT, LOS ANGELES

ELLE DECOR and Holly Hunt cohosted a luncheon reception celebrating Margaret Russell's keynote program, *Top Design Puts Young Talent to the Test*, in the Holly Hunt showroom.

Photo 2a: Charles Cohen, president & owner, PDC; Holly Hunt, designer; Clo Cohen; Cesar Pelli, architect.



### UPCOMING EVENTS AND PROMOTIONS

#### DINING BY DESIGN, DALLAS

JUNE 22-23

The next stop on the 2007 event tour is Dallas. Visually stunning, breathtaking tables will be on display at The Dallas Market Center, as guests enjoy dining, music, and dancing.

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Left: The dining area and pool of a Venezuelan house. Below: The April cover.

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### Great Escape

Different people think of different places when their minds turn to getting away from it all: a desert spa, a sandy beach, an alpine lodge. For me, vacation means a cliffside villa just like the remote Venezuelan home in your April issue ("Tropical High"). What a dream it would be to swim in that pool! You truly ripped out a page from my mental diary.

Diane Belkin, Port Jefferson, NY

### New Favorite

Thank you for featuring such extra-special spaces that bring delight over and over again. For months, I kept returning to the story on Sarah Jessica Parker's house in the Hamptons ("The Comfort Factor," October 2005). I could almost feel the happiness there. Now, here comes Emma Roig's artful, joyful, and seemingly effortless home in London ("Open Season," April). Money helps but it does not always harmonize. This house is a tribute to the clarity of her vision. The pages of my issue are already beginning to curl.

Ann Canas, Los Angeles, CA

### Thought Process

"Designerrific" is what I'm calling the April issue. The hideaways you featured, from Australia to Venezuela, were just the prescription for this design junkie. How refreshing to see in all of them not only the accomplishment of excellent interior decoration but also the triumph of original ideas. Homeowner Leslie Tung ("Spice of Life") is precisely right: "Contemplation is a great asset."

Michael Wafford, Lawton, OK

### Blanket Statement

Wasn't my use of a crocheted afghan considered a design faux pas on Bravo's *Top Design*? Something so grandmotherly that it caused my elimination? So imagine my surprise when I turned to page 110 of the April issue and discovered that Eliana Gerotto and Patricia Urquiola's Crochet rug was on the list of ELLE DECOR International Design Award winners. True, my own mother did grow up with a handmade throw identical to the one I selected from a garage sale for *Top Design*. Her generation was raised among ubiquitous crocheted place mats, doilies, and blankets, and grew to hate such things. I'm sure every baby boomer watching the show cringed when I bought that afghan. Still, as with anything, what was old becomes new again to the next generation. Crochet will return—excuse me, *has* returned. I guess I was just ahead of my time.

Felicia Bushman, Los Angeles, CA

### Opposites Attract

What a surprise to see the house of fashion designer Collette Dinnigan ("Frock Star," April). I love her clothes because they're girly—and I love her house because it's not!

Josie Pao, Detroit, MI

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