

We are thrilled to announce that the Retail Design Institute of NYC has selected DIFFA as the beneficiary of its "Iron Design" Student Competition for 2015! Six teams of students from top New York design schools will be selected and given two professional mentors. Teams will have two hours with their mentors to design a DIFFA Holiday Pop Up Shop. The Retail Design Institute will then execute the winning design in the Stockman-Siegel Showroom in Chelsea, where it will be open to the public in early December.

We would love for your company to participate by donating product to be featured in the DIFFA Holiday Pop Up Show. All products will be offered to the public at full retail value, with proceeds benefiting DIFFA. Since the DIFFA Holiday Pop Up Shop will only be open for a few days, we are requesting limited quantities of cash and carry items. Quantities requested are for the same or similar products, rather than an assortment of different items. Things that have sold well in the past are small gift items, decorative home accessories, candles, soaps, bath and body products, luxury books, stationery, confections, and none perishable gourmet foods.

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Your support of the DIFFA Holiday Pop Up Shop helps remind people that the fight against HIV/AIDS is not over and demonstrates the collective power we have to combat this disease. We hope you will join us.

Since our founding, individuals and companies every field of design have built DIFFA into one of the nation's leading organizations funding the fight against HIV/AIDS. Every day, DIFFA works with individuals from interior design, fashion, architecture, manufacturing and more, harnessing their creativity and using their talents to help fund organizations in New York City and across the country who are working on prevention, treatment and education in the fight against AIDS.

If you have questions about the DIFFA Holiday Pop Up Shop, please contact Steven Williams at swilliams@diffa.org or 646-

380-4202.		
Together, we can make a DIFFArence!		

Most Sincerely,

Johanna Osburn **Executive Director**



DIFFA's Gift for Life Holiday Pop Up Shop





DATE: December 1-6, 2015

LOCATION: Seigel & Stockman Showroom, 126 West 25th Street, NYC (btwn 6th & 7th avenues)

SCHEDULE: October 14 "Iron Design" Contest at Steelcase

December 1 Opening Night Reception 6-9 PM

December 4 DIFFA VIP Event from 4-6 PM

December 2-6 Holiday Pop Up Shop open to public from 9 AM—5 PM

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What is the **Retail Design Institute**?

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What is **DIFFA**?

DIFFA: Design Industries Foundation Fighting AIDS raises and grants funds to organizations that fight HIV/AIDS. Providing treatment and direct care services for people living with or impacted by the disease, offering preventative education programs targeted to populations at risk of infection, or supporting public policy initiatives,

With fundraising efforts bolstered by strategic partnerships and unique events showcasing innovation and creativity, DIFFA has mobilized the immense resources of the design communities to grant over \$41 million to hundreds of AIDS service organizations nationwide.

Gift for Life was founded in 1992 by a small group of industry professionals who felt compelled to respond to the tragic loss of talented friends and colleagues to AIDS. Since its inception, Gift for Life has grown in numbers and visibility within the gift, home, and stationery industries and raised over \$5 million for the cause.



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PRODUCT DONATION RESPONSE FORM

I/we would	be happy to donate the following:		
24 item	ns with a retail price point of \$10-25 per		
12 piec	es with a retail price point of \$25-49 per item		
8 piece	es with a retail price point of \$50-75 per item		
6 piece	es with a retail price point of \$75-100 per item		
ITEM DESC	CRIPTION/URL	RETAIL VALU	JE
•	Please return this form to swilliams@diffa.org to Please email an image and URL of product to Please ship all products to arrive between Octoplease ship all product to: Lisa Maurer	swilliams@diffa.org by Frida	y, August 28 , 2015
	Seigel Stockmar		
	126 West 25 th Str New York, NY 10		
	All donations are greatly appreciated, but since this If your products retail for more than \$100 eac.	is a curated event, final approval r	wish to contribute,
COMPANY	NAME		
CONTACT			
ADDRESS			
CITY		STATE	ZIP
PHONE	EMAIL	WEBSITE	<u> </u>

All donations are tax-deductible to the full extent of the law. Anticipate a letter following the event acknowledging this. DIFFA: Design Industries Foundation Fighting AIDS | 16 West 32nd Street, STE 402 | New York, NY 10001 |212-727-3100 | www.diffa.org