



CERTIFIED DESIGNERS RETREAT 2010

This year's theme... "Passion and Inspiration"

Dear Certified Designers and Students

We have been very busy arranging a fabulous Retreat AND Conference for everyone this year in my beautiful Queenstown that I can't wait to share with you all. Retreat has always been arranged 'in house' by a member of the CDS board and this year Conference is also being organized 'in house' so it will be a joint event definitely not to be missed.

I cannot emphasize enough how much time and effort goes into this organization for the benefit of us all as both CDS and NKBA members. The merger has been in relation to the economic climate and to get more 'bang for our bucks' for both us as designers and for the sponsors generous funding so PLEASE think carefully about how much you 'give back' by your decision to attend and support this event.

Numbers are always limited but this year it is even more critical....we have a 'capped' attendance of 65 offered first to CDS Designers and Students and to achieve this number we are then allowing non-certified designers to attend. "It is **very important** you confirm your attendance by early-bird registration as from 20 March I will be personally contacting designers for their attendance *to enable air tickets etc to be booked for both events.*" It will be 'first in first served' basis **so please confirm early or you may miss out!**

Our fantastic sponsors supporting us for this years Retreat are;

Fisher & Paykel PLATINUM SPONSOR
Blum, Carter Holt Harvey, Hafele, Hettich New Zealand, Kings
Generation IV Timber Tops, Laminex Group and Tile Warehouse

THURSDAY 8 JULY 2010

STUDENTS Start time – 8.30am

Connie Charlton will oversee an interesting and educational program of tutorials etc including a lunch break up to 2pm.....

12.30 – 2pm Registration for Conference and Retreat

CDS Start time – 2pm

We have an amazing opening speaker who will 'Inspire' you and rediscover your 'Passion' we have as designers.

Various speakers and sponsor speakers follow in the afternoon including afternoon tea.

A fun 'educational' time which will make you 'happy' ...before we head off to our evenings **funtime**...where you have a choice;

-a meal at a lovely Queenstown restaurant overlooking the waterfront

OR

-a fun time at Sian's Pole Dancing Studio ...featuring a display by one of my New Zealand's top Pole Dancers (my teacher – she currently has 65 students from in and around Queenstown), drinks, nibbles, and a chance to learn a short routine or just watch...(only broken legs allowed to watch and not 'try'). It is very athletic, fun and not what you think so come and be inspired to try something new!!! (8.30pm – 10pm)

We can then meet up with the others in Queenstown....

FRIDAY 9 JULY 2010

CDS and Students – 'Bus Tour' 8am – 3.30pm

A tour in and around Queenstown visiting various interesting venues with amazing speakers awaiting. En-route we have our fabulous Sponsors presenting to us 'on the Bus' to ensure the day is full, fun, educational, inspiring and full of passionate people (including ourselves!). The 'red bull' will be provided as it will be a very full day!!

We return to the Millennium at 3.30pm to join with everyone for the opening of Conference.

COST FOR RETREAT

Early –bird (before 20 March confirmation and payment)	\$ 185
After 20 March – (first in first served so don't delay!!!)	\$ 250
Partners can join us for Thursday afternoon events and evening ONLY – <i>unfortunately the bus trip is not included</i>	\$ 95

Accommodation for both events is at the Millennium – please ensure you state you are part of the CDS/NKBA Retreat and Conference for reduced rates.

Joint registration forms are being forwarded shortly **PLEASE** confirm early to avoid disappointment. **You get what you give**.....so allow your passion to be inspired and attend this fantastic event. I look forward to receiving confirmation of your support by attending asap!! ☺

Cheers Sian

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