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**The Junior League of Hartford Announces an A-List Roster of Designers  
for 2022 Designer Show House  
Presented by exclusive media partner, *Connecticut Cottages & Gardens***

*Led by the Junior League of Hartford, renowned interior designer and Show House Honorary Design Chair Anthony Baratta, and CTC&G Editor DJ Carey, 18 designers will transform a historic home in West Hartford into a showcase of luxury design for modern living*

**WEST HARTFORD, CT (May 6, 2022 )**—The Junior League of Hartford (JLH) today announced 16 interior and landscape designers who will collaborate with JLH to produce the 15th Designer Show House presented by exclusive media partner *Connecticut Cottages & Gardens (CTC&G)*, held for the first time since 2018. The Designer Show House is typically produced every three years, but was postponed from 2021 to this year due to COVID restrictions. The home will be featured editorially in the July/August issue of *CTC&G* and on [cottagesgardens.com](http://cottagesgardens.com).

The Designer Show House is the preeminent fundraiser for the JLH, and features a select group of interior designers, artists, and landscape architects who are hand-picked to renovate, restore and reimagine the interior spaces and surrounding grounds of a notable home in the greater Hartford area. This year's Show House is located at the beautiful residence of 51 Brookside Boulevard in West Hartford.

“This home is the ideal blueprint for designers to translate their style and aesthetic into the way people live today. The pandemic has shifted design away from the “great room” that leads with a similar design style throughout each space, and more towards the traditional, historic home footprint with smaller rooms that can be both multi-functional but also offer respite from other areas of the home. I love the idea of seeing maximalism and color in one room but a very different style in another. With a historic home, designers really have an opportunity to show their personalities,” said [Anthony Baratta](#), legendary designer and Show House Honorary Design Chair.

The featured designers and landscapers announced today are:

- Camden Grace Interiors, Hartford
- Dana Ferraro for Molly Patton Design, Fairfield
- Edith Whitman Interiors, West Hartford
- Ethan Allen Interiors, Inc., Danbury
- Fiona Leonard Interiors, Darien
- Jaime Rangoon and Erick Espinoza for Anthony Baratta, New York City
- Jennifer Noyes for Creative Contour, Middletown

- Kate Smith Interiors, Farmington
- Kathryn Hunt Studios, West Hartford
- McCory Interiors, Burlington
- Melissa Porter for NEAT Method, West Hartford
- Moreau Designs, Granby
- Robin Jones Designs, Hartford
- Shelley Curtis Dodd for Mews Designs, West Hartford
- SKM Design LLC, West Hartford
- Vanessa Brennan Interiors, New York City

The 2022 Designer Show House is presented by Exclusive Media Partner *Connecticut Cottages & Gardens* and supported through the generosity of both local and national sponsors including:

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- Ring's End in partnership with Benjamin Moore
- York Wallcoverings
- John Boyle

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"We are looking forward to shining a light on the Hartford design and cultural scenes in our summer issue," says DJ Carey, Editorial Director of *CTC&G*. "The capital region has always been on our radar for its rich architectural history. In fact, in 2011 we were lucky enough to lead the redesign of the Governor's Residence. We are delighted to be back and part of this exciting project that highlights so much local talent."

The sentiment is echoed by Whitney Sweeney, who co-chairs the Designer Show House for the JLH. "This project has always been a unique opportunity to highlight the talented designers and artisans right here in the Hartford area, as well as further afield. At the end of the day, we are able to leverage the creativity, talent and generosity of the design community to fund some of The League's most important community initiatives - and the visitors get to come away inspired. With the partnership and support of

CTC&G, Tony Baratta and our sponsors, we hope this is one of our most successful Designer Show House fundraisers to date.”

The Designer Show House will celebrate its grand opening on June 3, 2022 with a special evening fundraiser from 6-9pm. Public house tours begin Saturday, June 4, 2022, and run through Sunday, June 26, 2022 on select days and times.

Tickets for opening night, house tours, and special events are available online through [Eventbrite](#) and on the [JLH website](#). Online presale tickets for Show House tours are \$25 until June 2, 2022, and \$40 at the door.

**About the Junior League of Hartford:**

*The Junior League of Hartford, Inc. is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable. As part of the Association of Junior Leagues International, Inc., the Junior League of Hartford is part of a network of over 155,000 women in 293 Leagues in four countries who make a difference in their communities every day through their volunteer efforts.*

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**ANTHONY BARATTA**

Anthony Baratta, the king of East-Coast chic, is one of the most celebrated and respected interior designers of the day with a global following of loyal fans. He is known for his bold use of color and scale that honors tradition while defying predictability.

Baratta’s design work has graced over 70 magazine covers worldwide.

His work has been celebrated in the Cooper-Hewitt Museum’s National Design Triennial: "Inside Design Now". He was named one of the *Traditional Home*’s “20 Design Icons” and awarded Benjamin Moore’s coveted “Hue Award” for lifetime achievement in design. This past year he was honored with *Connecticut Cottages & Garden*’s Innovation in Design award.

Among his special collaborations, in 2018 he received a prestigious designation as Designer in Residence, at Colonial Williamsburg. In addition, he has had the honor of renovating the historic residence, Drumthwacket, for the Governor and First Lady of New Jersey, Philip and Tammy Murphy.

Where fashion meets interior design - Baratta was selected to create a capsule collection for Spring 2019, called "Nantucket", for Weekend Max Mara, the luxury Italian fashion designer. The collection debuted in Milan, Italy in the Fall of 2018.

Baratta has co-authored three books. His latest book, "Decorate Happy-Bold Colorful Interiors" by Rizzoli, came out Spring of 2020.

Anthony Baratta has an active social media audience of 35,000 followers on Instagram, who he continues to delight with images of his over-40 years in interior design.

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