

First Raleigh Show Home Opens to Support Local Boys and Girls Clubs

March 25 - April 9

Designers and organizations from all over North Carolina, including Charlotte, are joining the Raleigh community to introduce a premiere Show Home. DJF Builders has partnered with Allen Tate Realtors and Sheri Hagerty Realty Group to launch "DJF Builds Great Futures", a community-wide campaign in support of the local Boys & Girls Club. The 6,000+ square foot house, built by awardwinning home builder Dennis Fitzgerald, will be open on Wednesdays through Sundays starting March 25. An opening night gala will be held at the home on

3021 Granville Drive in Raleigh on March 23. The gala is a ticketed event featuring local food vendors, chefs, speakers and sponsors. Brandshops, based in Charlotte, will be hosting a speaker series of notable designers and industry professionals on Friday, March 24 from 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at the home.

The house boasts four bedrooms, four and a half baths and a 1,000 square feet of outdoor space highlighted by formal English gardens. All proceeds from the Raleigh Boys & Girls Club Designer Show Home, including the sale of the home, the designer entry fee and the sponsorship sales, will be donated to the Boys & Girls Clubs of Wake County. Also, each designer has the opportunity to sell their products from their assigned room and donate 10% of their sales back to the organization.

For 50 years, Boys & Girls Clubs have enabled young people most in need to achieve great futures as productive, caring, responsible citizens. Priority programs emphasize academic success, good character and citizenship, and healthy lifestyles. "In planning a project of this scope, we could think of no worthier organization to benefit from these efforts," Fitzgerald says.

Each room will be expertly decorated by local, state and national designers, highlighting the latest trends in interior design. One of the designers, Tula Summerford of Design by



Tula, will be creating what she describes as a "Modern Luxe Office Space", perfect for working or entertaining. "I love a room that tells a story and sings a song. I love color, textures, fabrics and even a few trends," Tula says. "It's all about balance; the space I'm creating will have a bit of it all."

To learn more about the project, become a sponsor, attend the preview party, purchase a ticket or volunteer, please visit www.DJFBuildsGreatFutures.com.

Designers of this premiere home (as of press time):

Lisa Mende – Powder Room Madcap Cottage - Family Room Betsy Anderson - Master Bedroom

Martha Schiedner of La Maison - Breakfast Room

Patrick Casey of Greenfront - Game Room

Sally Williams of Colorful Concepts Interior Design -

Entryway and Hallway to Bedroom

Alison Roane - Bedroom #4 and Bathroom #4

Zandy Gammons of The Warehouse – Bedroom #3 / Bathroom #3

Katherine Connell - Dining Room

Leigh Jones - Bedroom #2 and Bathroom #2

MA Allen - Library

Anne Wagnor - Garden Room

Tula Summerford – Sitting Room

MFANO - Covered Porch

Southern Studio - Stair Hall, Upstairs and Downstairs



Southern Spring Home & Garden Show

February 24-26 and March 3-5

The Southern Spring Home & Garden Show will be at The Park Expo and Conference Center located at 800 Brian Creek Road. Discover the newest home and garden products for 2017 and hear guest speakers like Frank Fritz from the

History Channel's American Pickers. Home Design & Decor Magazine will be located at booth 2114 at Independence Hall. Stop by and meet our staff! For more information on show times and tickets visit www.southernshows.com.