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**RNL wins “Best of Show” at Pret-a-Porter Fashion/Interior Design Event**

**Denver, CO – July 23, 2008** -- RNL announces that it has won *First Place “Best of Show”* at the fourth annual Pret-a-Porter (French for “Ready-to-Wear”) event May 16, a popular event sponsored by the Rocky Mountain Chapter of the IIDA (International Interior Design Association).

Over forty teams competed this year in the event put on annually by the Rocky Mountain Chapter of the International Interior Design Association (IIDA), an international non-profit interior design networking and educational association with over 10,000 members worldwide.

“The concept is to take products used in design and architecture and create wearable fashion from these materials,” explains David Key, Project Designer and Associate at RNL, and co-chair of the event planning committee for the past three years. “Products used in the garments range from carpet and paint, to lighting and tile. Every year at a kickoff party, each design team is randomly paired with a product and is required to design and construct a dress out of that material.”

RNL’s product this year was Armstrong flooring made of VCT (vinyl composition tile). The dress was made from 12” x 12” tiles cut into 3/8” squares and drilled with a hole in the center of each. The tiles were laser cut by Plasticare, Inc. to approximately 6,000 3/8” x 3/8” tiles and then arranged into a mosaic pattern and hand sewn to create an image of

Marilyn Monroe. “The result was amazing!” says AnneMarie Dienstbach, RNL Principal and Interior Studio leader.

Design team members for the Pret a Porter’s Best of Show were Gabrielle Buglewicz, Mary Beth Caccitolo, Sydney Hamilton, Michelle Richter, Rene Stremel and Jennifer Toll. Mary Beth Caccitolo also modeled the unique ensemble. Gabrielle Buglewicz also provided the final sketches for the design.

“We are absolutely thrilled to win first place in this very competitive event,” says Dienstbach. “After three long years of beautiful dresses, gorgeous models and a lot of hard work, I am proud and excited to announce that RNL has won first place. Congratulations to the design team and all who worked so hard on this project. It is a huge accomplishment.”

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