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**The Darien Community Association Adds 14th Designer, New Events and
New Sponsors to The 203 Project: A Sustainable Showhouse
Presented by CTC&G (*Connecticut Cottages & Gardens*)**

*Premiering in one week, tickets are available for this community-driven initiative
highlighting the talents of local designers, artists, businesses.*

All proceeds fund the DCA's programs, events and local scholarships.

DARIEN, CT (March 14, 2024)—The Darien Community Association (DCA) today announced updates to The 203 Project: A Sustainable Showhouse at the Darien Community Association presented by exclusive media partner CTC&G (Connecticut Cottages & Gardens).

Located at 274 Middlesex Road in Darien, CT the Showhouse will be open from Friday, March 21 until Sunday, March 24, 2024. Tickets are available at dariendca.org. The 203 Project: A Sustainable Showhouse at the Darien Community Association will be featured editorially in the July/August issue of CTC&G and on cottagesgardens.com.

“What an incredible opportunity to showcase local talent while giving back to the community at the same time,” said DJ Carey, Editorial Director of CTC&G. “We are excited to feature The 203 Project in the pages of CTC&G.”

Kelly McGovern Garden Designs and Mary Manning of MM Studio, Art Curator, join the previously announced group of designers and landscapers collaborating on the designer showhouse. These include Alicia Sands Tiberio of Alicia B. Designs and Dorset and Pond, Carey Karlan of Last Detail Interior Design, Elena Phillips Interiors, Fiona Leonard Interiors, JG O'Neil Designs, Karen Bow Interiors, Catherine and Christine Kelly of Kelly Interiors, Krista Fox Interiors, Joanne Matteson of Matteson Landscape Architecture, Nielsen's Florist, Prudence Bailey of Prudence Home and Design, Sarina Galu Interiors and William Lyon Designs.

In addition to offering self-guided showhouse tours, The 203 Project has added several events including:

- Thursday, March 21-Sunday, March 24 A Pop-Up Art Gallery curated by Mary Manning and featuring artwork by P. Andre Arguimbau, Peter Layne Arguimbau, Donna Collins, Carol Conze, William Davis, Chris Filmer, Lori Glavin, Hanneke Goedkoop, Dana Goodfellow, Elizabeth Higgins, Cate Leach, Lori Leckliter, Pam Lindberg, Cara McCabe, Dorothy McClure, Mary Morant, Bambi Riegel, Katie Southworth, Lisa Thoren, Meg Tweedy, Karen Vogel, and Diane Weeks
- Friday, March 22, 12-2PM with Peter and P. Andre Arguimbau, owners of Northeast Hardwood and Mariner Gallery
- Friday, March 22, 2-4PM co-hosted by DJ Carey, Editorial Director of CTC&G
- Saturday, March 23, 10-12PM co-hosted by Stefanie Jones, The Realistic Organizer
- Saturday, March 23, 12-2PM book signing with Jane Beiles, award-winning interior design photographer
- Saturday, March 23, 2-4PM co-hosted by the Homes203 Team and USBank

The Thursday Opening Night Cocktail Party, Friday event with Peter and P. Andre Arguimbau and the Sunday Jazz Brunch have sold out.

The 203 Project: A Sustainable Showhouse at the Darien Community Association is presented by exclusive media partner CTC&G and supported through the generosity of both local and corporate sponsors including (new sponsors in bold): A Little Something White Bridal Boutique, Alchemy Celebrations, **Arhaus**, Atria Darien, **Baywater Properties**, BMW of Darien, **Compass**, Darien Carpet, **Darien Men's Association**, Darien Sport Shop, David Harvey Jewelers, Diane Browne Catering, **Elli Travel Group**, Farrow & Ball, **Gault, J.McLaughlin, Jennair, Luppino Landscaping and Masonry LLC, Meredith & Whitney George**, Michael Joseph's Catering, Navesink Wealth Management, **Neil Hauck Architects**, Nielsen's Florist and Garden Shop, OKA, **Outdoor Design Living**, Palmer's Market, Ring's End, **Ruddy Builders, Shoreline Painting, Social Decor, The Gardener's Center, The Homes203 Team**, The Linen Shop, Tile America, **Torrco, Turner Painting Service, USBank**, Visual Comfort & Co.

The 203 Project also thanks several community ambassadors as noted at dariendca.org. Tickets for house tours and special events are available at dariendca.org. All proceeds from the Showhouse will benefit the Darien Community Association, a privately-funded nonprofit, and the DCA Scholarship program. The DCA Scholarship program offers need-based scholarships to Darien High School students.

About the Darien Community Association

The Darien Community Association (DCA) is a privately-funded nonprofit located in the heart of Darien, Connecticut. Offering educational and cultural opportunities, connection, sustainability and public green spaces, the DCA depends on its members, partners, neighbors and over 100 volunteers to make a lasting impact on future generations through scholarships and programs. To learn more, visit dariendca.org.

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