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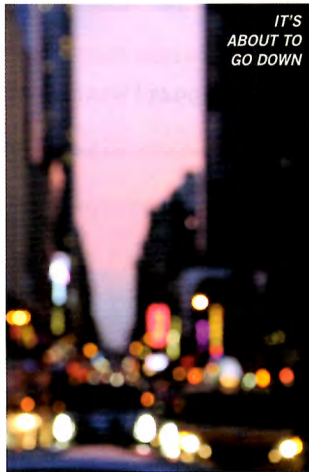


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AT THE STAMFORD WATERSIDE DESIGN DISTRICT (FROM LEFT): DESIGNER CANDICE OLSON AT THE KRAVET SHOWROOM, A DEMONSTRATION AT THE J.D. STARON SHOWROOM, JOHN ROBSHAW TALKS WITH A RAPT AUDIENCE

▶ If it's true that there is strength in numbers, the new **Stamford Waterside Design District** will be a power player in the field of home design. The district, made up of a collection of shops on or near Stamford's Fairfield Avenue that specialize in high-end products for the home, held its inaugural Market Day in early June. The full day of events included an appearance by fabric designer



John Robshaw, who was at the **Duralee** showroom to introduce his new furniture collection, and designer Candice Olson, who previewed her latest collection for **Kravet**. Other showrooms, including **Dedar**, **Schwartz Design Showroom**, **J.D. Staron**, **Stark**, **Fordham Marble**, **AWK Design Antiques**, and **SWC Office Furniture**, opened their doors to welcome guests for cocktails, refreshments, and stellar browsing. *Stamford*, stamfordwatersidedesigndistrict.com, [facebook.com/StamfordWatersideDD](https://www.facebook.com/StamfordWatersideDD)

▶ Don't adjust your eyes: this is what the photographer wants you to see. The photo, entitled *It's About To Go Down*, is from the Blur series from **Allyson Monson Photography**. After putting her studies in textiles, merchandising,



and interior design to work in a more conventional way, Monson took a hiatus from design and discovered that photography gives her the chance to explore her love for light, color, texture, and movement in a new way, offering her unique perspective on ordinary suburban and urban life. *Redding*, (203) 470-4793, allysonmonsonphotography.com

▶ As someone who lives and works in Durham (population 7,388 at the last census count), **Lisa Davenport** considers herself a small-town sort of person. So when she decided to open a second interior design office in the Sunshine State, the southwest Florida town of Bonita Springs—whose tagline is “Small town charm, big bright future”—seemed a perfect choice. When Davenport is up north, new project manager Trish DiMungo will

hold down the southern fort. *Durham*, (860) 316-5718, lisadavenportdesigns.com

▶ Congratulations to **Charles Hilton Architects** for being honored with the Greenwich Chamber of Commerce's 2016 Corporate Leadership Award. The Chamber gives the award each year, as part



of its Town Hero Awards Program, to a business that has a history of community involvement. Charles Hilton and his team's contributions are many, including the

September 11 Memorial in Cos Cob Park, designed in collaboration with landscape architects Doyle Herman Design Associates. *Greenwich*, (203) 489-3800, hiltonarchitects.com

▶ What's in a name? For **Oak & Velvet**, formerly Sew-Fine, the new name better reflects the company's mission, which—far beyond its well-deserved reputation for upholstery services—includes creating fine home furnishings. The robust wood and the sumptuous fabric represent the high quality and the sense of luxury