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SHOWCASE DESIGNER BRINGS ELEGANCE TO HISTORIC CARRIAGE HOUSE

San Francisco, CA - Inspired by the surrounding gardens and the guest quarter's history as a horse stable, Melanie Coddington has created a elegant guest suite for the 29th annual San Francisco Decorator Showcase. The suite features an art-filled hall landing, large bathroom with a claw foot tub, and a guest bedroom that is warm and live-able. She focused on quality of materials and timeless pieces to allow for the graceful pairing of antiques with modern furniture and art. Although new, reclaimed wide-plank pecan floors throughout the suite and white-washed beams add to the rustic charm of the house.

The carriage house was under construction during four of the rainiest months in recent Bay Area history. Melanie never saw the space in sunlight until after furniture was moved in – in response she chose a sunny, cheerful color palate of sky blue and caramel with ivory and gold accents.

"I wanted to create a distinct casual, cottage feeling to honor the history and architecture of this special place, yet match the elegance and grandeur of the main house. I did not want guests to feel as though they were literally staying in a barn," says Melanie.

The 2006 San Francisco Decorator Showcase – the West Coast's premiere design show house – features the work of 37 of Northern California's top interior and landscape designers. The stunning mansion sits atop Presido Heights at 3701 Washington Street at Spruce. It is open to the public from April 29 – May 29. The hours are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursday; and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday and Memorial Day, May 30. Showcase is closed on Mondays (except for Memorial Day). More information is available at www.decoratorshowcase.org. For press inquires and photos please contact Denise Lamott at 415-897-5089.

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ABOUT MELANIE CODDINGTON

Melanie Coddington is the founder and owner of Coddington Design. After earning a Master's degree in Sociology, she worked in Human Resources in Los Angeles and San Francisco. She returned to school to follow her passion in interior design, and spent years as a designer in a high end residential interior design firm. Her projects include residential remodels, custom homes, urban condos and vacation retreats.

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