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Recent Hires Bring Growing Architecture Firm to 23

CLEARWATER, FL – December 18, 2006 – One local architectural firm continues to grow despite the recent changes in the housing market. During the last two quarters, Design Styles, Inc. (DSI) has hired four key individuals that are sure to make the firm continue to thrive and expand. DSI is very excited to have the experience and education of these fine individuals included in an already talented team focused on producing great architecture.

Derek Ray, a licensed architect, has joined the firm as a Project Manager. He previously worked for Bloodgood Sharp Buster Architects and Planners, Inc. , Collman & Karsky Architects and O'Keefe Architects, Inc. all in the Tampa Bay Area. He holds a Bachelor of Architecture Degree from Florida A & M University in Tallahassee, FL where he graduated Summa Cum Laude. DSI is excited utilize the knowledge and experience that Derek has brought to the firm to aid in its expansion in to the commercial arena.

Dylan Hardison, DSI's new IT Associate, is working toward an A.A. Degree from St. Petersburg College. Dylan brought with him great experience that has assisted the firm with system maintenance and software development.

The firm has also gained Operations Administrator, Keira McNeal. Previously, Keira worked as an Accounting Clerk for First American Financial Services, Inc. in Clearwater, FL; as a Bookkeeper/ Administrative Assistant for OMG Music/DMT Productions in Tarpon Springs, FL and as an Office Manager for Zip Publishing in Columbus, OH. Keira will be handling accounts receivable, payroll and all Human Resources functions for the firm.

Dianne Wagner has joined DSI as a Draftsman. She previously worked as an Intern Architect for Wallis Murphey Boyington Architects in Lakeland, FL and for Graves + Carlos Architects, Engineers in Pensacola, FL. She was also an Assistant Architect for architecture by design in Sylvania, OH. Dianne holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Architecture/Environmental Design from Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green, OH and is working toward a Master of Architecture Degree at the University of South Florida in Tampa, FL. DSI is very excited about the experience and education she brings to the firm.

About Design Styles, Inc.

Creative, functional architecture . . . these are the words we live by at Design Styles, Inc., and these are the structures you'll live and work in. From formal to casual . . . Design Styles, Inc. can help you visualize your dream building while it is still just a dream. As an architectural firm, designing is our passion. Our drawings and plans show you exactly how your new structure will take shape . . . leaving no detail behind.

Design Styles, Inc. is an award-winning, full-service architectural design firm located in Clearwater, Florida and has been developing quality designs for custom homes, residential remodels, builders, developers and commercial projects since its establishment in 1998.

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