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CELIA BARRETT, MISSISSIPPI INTERIOR DESIGNER, WINS REGIONAL A.S.I.D. TOP  
AWARD

Jackson, MS, November, 13, 2008; Celia Barrett, owner and principal interior designer for Celia Barrett Design, LLC, was presented the top Gold Award of Excellence for the residential category for 2008.

At the gala in Little Rock, Arkansas recently, the South Central Chapter of the American Society of Interior Designers announced their design award winners. Celia Barrett, interior designer of Jackson, MS, was presented with the Gold Award for Excellence in the residential category.

Ms Barrett's winning project was her 2008 St. Andrew's Showhouse home office. The concept for this office was based on a painting by Piet Mondrian and the De Stijl art movement of the early 20<sup>th</sup> Century.

"I wanted to create a structured disciplined room with geometrics in a very contemporary style for working at home. But I also added an antique table desk with ornate carvings and a few fresh edges to stimulate the imagination."

The South Central Chapter of A.S.I.D. includes professional designers from Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi. There were over 300 entries in the awards competition. The jury consisted of professional designers from three other regions of the country. The projects were judged on design concept, space planning, originality, creativity, use of materials and furnishings, and professional knowledge, among other criteria.

Ms Barrett designed custom bamboo pedestals with local furniture maker Grant Courtney to frame the large backdrop painting. Local faux painter Sherry McAlilly painted the Mondrian backdrop for her. Ms Barrett also designed a contemporary bullet shaped sofa in herring bone grey and a trifold screen of faux leather to balance the wall pattern. She used a color palette of yellows, oranges and grays with black and silver accents. The grey and cream silk plaid draperies were bordered with a black and white cheetah print. The room was held together with a custom Oushak rug. Many of the pieces of furniture were found at OffiSource Furniture of Jackson. For photos of the entire room and more information on Celia Barrett Design, LLC, visit the website [www.celiabarrettdesign.com](http://www.celiabarrettdesign.com).