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## AmericasMart's Gift & Home Furnishings Market Kick-Starts the Retail Year

### ATLANTA - January 9, 2013

The Atlanta International Gift & Home Furnishings Market<sup>®</sup> opened for its eight-day run this morning with retailers from across the U.S. and around the world queuing up to experience the world's single-largest product collection. The Market showcases permanent gift and home furnishings showrooms through Wednesday, Jan. 16 and temporaries Friday, Jan. 11, to Tuesday, Jan. 15. Following today's opening is The Atlanta International Area Rug Market<sup>®</sup> Thursday, Jan. 10 through Sunday, Jan. 13, with National Oriental Rug Show (NORS) opening at 4 p.m. on the 10th and continuing through Sunday, Jan. 13. Buyers and sellers doing business in Atlanta this January will have the unmatched advantage of a fully functional wireless communications environment spanning the entire AmericasMart<sup>®</sup> campus through the market's new partnership with Verizon Wireless, operator of the nation's largest 4G LTE network and largest, most reliable 3G network. The partnership delivers improved wireless coverage, capacity and data speeds for Verizon Wireless customers on every floor, in every showroom and exhibit hall.

The January Markets also feature a panoply of seminars and special events spanning from cooking with Adam Richman to interior decorating inspiration by David Bromstad of HGTV, from kitchen secrets of Sara Moulton of PBS to best gift ideas with Lindsay Roberts from The Gift Insider. America's Magnificent Carpets<sup>®</sup> Awards, the premier recognition event of the industry, takes place Friday evening at The Georgia Aquarium. The Atlanta International Gift & Home Furnishings Market is the marketplace with everything: all the product, all in one place. More information is always available at [americasmart.com](http://americasmart.com).

The Market Events:

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9 - WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16



**January 9 - 16, 2013**  
**9 a.m. - 6 p.m.**  
**Always Stylish**  
**Design Inspirations from Stan Topol & Associates**  
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 AmericasMart 2013 design directions from Stan Topol's Atlanta Symphony Associates 2012 Decorators' Show House Living Room.  
**Building 1, Floor 14, Room 14-D-7**

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9

**4 p.m.**  
**Hors d'oeuvres on 4**



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 Enjoy tasty delights while exploring the 4th floor, featuring rug and home products, the perfect match.  
**Building 1, Floor 4**

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 10



**9 a.m.**  
**Morning Breakfast**  
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 Enjoy coffee and tasty breakfast selections before you begin your market adventure.  
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**Building 2 and 2 WestWing, Floor 9 and Building 2 WestWing 10**



**9 a.m.**

**Coffee Craziiness**

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Stop by our gourmet coffee bar while you shop women's apparel.

**Building 3, Floor 11, NW Quadrant**



**9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.**

**Enter the Relax, Refresh and Rejuvenate Giveaway**

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Win an all-inclusive luxurious spa vacation for two at the Miraval Spa in Tucson, Arizona! Drop off your business card in all four corners of the 4th floor, featuring rugs, HOME products and home accents to enter.

**Building 1, Floor 4**



**10-11 a.m.**

**Top Picks in Gift**

**Presented by Lindsay Roberts, The Gift Insider**

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See Lindsay's top 10 favorite gifting items found in the permanent showrooms at AmericasMart!

**Building 2 WestWing, Floor 6, Escalator Lobby**



**11 a.m.**

**Timeless Interiors**

*Presented by Kathryn M. Ireland of Bravo's Million Dollar Decorators*

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Take a walk through Kathryn's latest projects, from a horse ranch in Santa Barbara, to a seaside home in Normandy. Book sale and signing of Timeless Interiors to follow.

**Building 1, Floor 14 Seminar Room**

**11 a.m.-noon**

**Easy Entertaining with 'A Taste of Coton Colors'**

*Presented by Co-Authors Laura Johnson and Susie Murray*

*Sponsored by Coton Colors*

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Join us as we unveil the secret to easy entertaining with A Taste of Coton Colors, the brand new line of ready-made recipes straight from the pages of The Happy Everything Cookbook by Co-Authors Laura Johnson and Susie Murray. You won't want to miss all of the delicious ideas served up in style as you sample flavors from the cookbook that Cooking with Paula Deen says is "simply stuffed with tips and ideas for planning, hosting, and dishing up happy occasions."

**Building 2 WestWing, Floor 8 Demonstration Kitchen**



**11 a.m.**

**A Year of Gifts: Cheers to New Years**

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Celebrate 2013 with a morning mimosa while you shop Gift and Home Accent products.

**Building 2, Floor 12, Escalator Lobby**



**11 a.m.**

**Dream for Bling**

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Be the lucky buyer to win a diamond! Drop off your business card to enter. Live drawing is at 11:15 a.m.

**Building 3, Floor 6, NW Quadrant**



**1-2 p.m.**

**The Quintessence of Style**

*Presented by Stacey Bewkes of Quintessence Blog*