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## INDUCTION CELEBRATION INTO THE HALL OF FAME:

With more than 1,000 guest in attendance, the American Home Furnishing Hall of Fame Foundation, Inc. inducted five new members into its ranks at a celebration held October 23, 2016, at the Sheraton Greensboro Four Seasons: John Bray, Vanguard Furniture; Robert B. Currey, founder of Storehouse Inc. and Currey & Company; Art DeFehr, Palliser Furniture Holdings Ltd.; Richard Frinier, Richard Frinier Design Studio; and Robert Wo, C.S. Wo & Sons.

The formal induction, which included the presentation of the Affie Award, was the pinnacle of a star-studded evening that included celebrities Johnny Bench, Thom Filicia, Kathy Ireland and Jane Seymour, as well as the red carpet high energy performance by entertainment icon Donny Osmond. A cocktail reception for the guests of honor preceded the dinner and ceremony.

## Call for Nominations

The American Home Furnishings Hall of Fame Foundation, Inc. is now accepting nominations for candidates to be inducted into the American Home Furnishings Hall of Fame in 2017.

“We encourage members to nominate a person that they believe is deserving of this most prestigious honor,” says Michael Amini, president of the Foundation. “We rely on our members to bring to our attention exceptional leaders from throughout the industry and from across the globe.”

The Foundation encompasses all industry sectors, including retail, case goods and upholstery, casual furnishings; as well as the decorative elements of rugs, lighting, accessories and soft goods. Candidates may include

manufacturers, retailers, sales representatives, designers, suppliers, association management, and others who have made notable contributions.

The deadline for nominations is February 1, 2017. For nomination forms, lists of current members, previous nominees and inductees, and qualifications for consideration, visit the Foundation website at [www.homefurnishingshalloffame.com](http://www.homefurnishingshalloffame.com). To request printed copies of the documents, members should call 336.882.5900.

## Pinning Ceremony

*The induction festivities were launched with the moving Pinning Ceremony earlier in the day. The new Hall of Fame members received the coveted lapel pin from another Hall of Fame inductee and then unveiled their citation on the Wall of Fame, located in Furniture Plaza. Outside, their bronze bricks were laid in the Walk of Fame on Main Street. As shown, the inductees and members who presented them with their pins were, left to right, Richard Frinier, pinned by 2014 Inductee Jena Hall; John Bray, pinned by 2015 Hall of Fame Inductee Aminy Audi; Art DeFehr, pinned by 2009 Inductee Steve Kincaid; and Robert Currey, pinned by 2012 Inductee Melvyn Wolff. Bub and Mike Wo accepted the pin from 2006 inductee Ron Wanek for their father, Robert Wo.*





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## OUR STORY

Each issue of our newsletter highlights an important entry or two from the Foundation's key mission: an official written history of the home furnishings industry.

**1675 to early 1700s** American William and Mary style, a variation of American Baroque furniture, is popular. It replaces the straightforward rectilinearity of 17th-century furniture with curves and color. Some of the

designs, particularly those from Boston, feature Japanning. A number of new furniture forms also appear during the period, including the secretary, slant-top desk, highboy, lowboy and butterfly table, all of which become staple forms throughout the rest of the century. An increasing use of upholstery testifies to a greater concern for comfort in furniture.<sup>1</sup>

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The American Home Furnishings Hall of Fame Foundation, Inc. invites members of the home furnishings industry to share their special stories, memories, experiences, historical accounts and reflections for our "Tell Us Your Story" project.

Whether you participate at Market through the Tell Us Your Story video project, or you submit your story on our website, we want to know your story.

Share your touching, factual, humorous, interesting or even quirky stories about the industry that should not go untold or undocumented. Stories can be submitted through the website at homefurnishingshalloffame.com, or by sending them to lestep@homefurnishingshalloffame.com. They will be posted on the website and perhaps, published in a book.

So, Tell Us Your Story. It's the one that only you can tell.

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