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PACE LIGHTING WINS HIGHEST INDUSTRY HONOR AT ARTS AWARDS

Savannah GA – January 27, 2016 – On Friday, January 22, 2016, in Dallas, Texas, the home furnishings industry, led by the Dallas Market Center and the Accessories Resource Team (ART), held their annual awards gala recognizing the top tier of lighting & furniture retailers, designers, and manufacturers in North America. The 27th Annual ARTS Awards celebrated, as it does it each year, the very best in the ever growing industry of home furnishings and décor in a grand ceremony held at the Hilton Anatole. Pace Lighting was awarded the top honor for a lighting showroom, receiving the ARTS Award in the “Retailers” category for Lighting Showroom in the East/Atlantic region of the United States.

Pace Lighting was judged against two other premier lighting showrooms who were also nominated for this award. Finalists were selected by a nominating committee of industry professionals who evaluated the hundreds of nominees submitted online. Finalists then submitted an expansive digital portfolio detailing their leadership in the home furnishings industry in areas ranging from marketing to merchandising, and a panel of distinguished judges with extensive expertise in the home furnishings market reviewed the submissions and selected this year’s winners.

Pace Lighting’s CEO, Lisa Dixon, stated, “Winning an ARTS Award is a dream come true and is one of the most humbling honors Pace Lighting could receive from our distinguished peers. It is a testament to the entire Pace Lighting team and the passion with which we serve our mission – the inspired illumination of your space. We are proud to serve our community and clients offering the best in lighting, fans and home décor in a space that strives to provide inspiration to our clients, staff, and industry alike. We could not be more delighted or thrilled with this recognition.”

For additional information regarding the ARTS Awards, visit dallasmarketcenter.com/artsawards. The complete list of winners can be viewed online at <http://dallasmarketcenter.com/ArtsAwards/winners/>.

About Pace Lighting

Pace Lighting is a majority women and locally owned, independent lighting retailer located in Savannah, Georgia. Pace Lighting has an 18,500 square foot showroom and warehouse displaying 2,500 light fixtures & ceiling fans from 180 product lines. Founded in 2001, Pace Lighting opened a state-of-the-art lighting showroom and design center on Chatham Parkway in Savannah in December 2008. Pace Lighting is the 2013, 2012 & 2010 National Lighting Showroom of the Year & the 27th Annual ARTS Award Winner.

About ART

ART is the creative home furnishings network representing manufacturers, retailers, representatives and other individuals and companies interested in promoting and enhancing the market position of the home furnishings industry. Each year ART sponsors programs such as the ART conference, regional educational seminars, the ART card and the ARTS Awards. The ART website is available at accessoriesresourceteam.org.

About the ARTS Awards

The ARTS Awards is the premier international awards program dedicated to the home industry. Up to 27 categories exist under the headings Manufacturer, Retailer, Product Designer, Interior Designer, Sales Representative, Rising Star, Green and Academy of Achievement. Anyone in the industry can nominate including manufacturers, retailers, sales representatives, designers, suppliers, consultants and other industry officials. Academy of Achievement and Rising Star honorees are selected by an ARTS Awards committee each year. Companies that have won an ARTS Award five times are inducted into the Hall of Fame.

About Dallas Market Center

Founded in 1957, Dallas Market Center is the world's most complete wholesale marketplace. Within its marketplace of more than five million square feet, retailers from around the globe source products ranging from home furnishings, gifts, decorative accessories and lighting to textiles, fashion accessories and men's, western, women's and children's apparel. With more than 50 markets each year attended by more than 200,000 retail buyers from all 50 states and 85 countries, Dallas Market Center offers hundreds of events and seminars geared toward helping retailers expand business and increase profits. The Dallas Market Center website is available at dallasmarketcenter.com.

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