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**2nd Annual Junior League of Denver Kitchen Tour to take place June 11th & 12th
*'Kitchens that Cook!' sure to heat up Denver***

Denver, CO - The intersection of design, function and creativity all meet at the Junior League of Denver's (JLD) 2nd annual "Kitchens that Cook!," an event that features a tour of some of Denver's most exciting kitchens and a fun and interactive reception at the Roth Concept Center. Similar to a tour of homes, the 2005 Kitchen Tour includes some of Denver's most beautiful kitchens by Colorado's hottest designers.

"Kitchens that Cook!" will be held the weekend of June 11th and 12th, 2005. The event kicks off with a Patron Party sponsored by the Roth Concept Center on Saturday night, June 11th, featuring cooking demonstrations, fine food and cocktails. The tour on Sunday, June 12th will showcase five kitchens – designed by Wm Ohs Showrooms, Monarch Renovation, Clive Christian, Distinctive Denver Homes, and Kitchen Distributors – with unique designs and features that will be sure to ignite your imagination. This self-paced driving tour features kitchens located throughout Denver in the Hilltop, Wash Park, Cherry Creek and Botanical Gardens neighborhoods.

According to event co-chairs Mary Knape and Julie French, this year's tour promises something for all tastes and interests. "One of the unique features of 'Kitchens that Cook!' is its broad appeal – from people who are seriously considering a kitchen remodel to individuals who just love to cook and want to see the latest trends and ideas for the homeowner," says Mary Knape. "The patron party on Saturday really adds an amazing element to this tour because it gives attendees the opportunity to see over a dozen kitchen vignettes featuring many of the same designers who are featured on the Tour in a fun and festive environment."

Dozens of volunteers have worked countless hours to coordinate kitchen selections, marketing plans, budgets, special attractions and general community support of this outstanding event. The event co-chairs predict that more than 1,000 tickets will be sold, so are recommending that interested attendees purchase their tickets early. Advance purchase tickets for the patron party and tour are on sale, \$50 a person, online at www.jld.org. Tour-only tickets are \$13 in advance or \$15 the day of the tour at any featured home. Visit the Junior League of Denver's website at <http://www.jld.org/kitchentour.cfm> for more details and to order tickets.

In its 87-year history, the Junior League of Denver has returned hundreds of thousands of volunteer hours and dollars to the Metro Denver community through trained volunteers, grants, services and programs. In fiscal year 2003-2004, the JLD donated over 55,000 volunteer hours to community agencies in the focus area of early childhood education. Kitchen Tour is one of several fundraising projects of the JLD held each year. Other events include Gala, Holiday Mart (December 1-5, 2005), four award-winning cookbooks, the Second Time Shop, which was named *5280 Magazine's* "Top of the Town" and "Best Bargains" in 2003, and the annual member-sponsored Bridge Marathon.

The Junior League of Denver, Incorporated (founded in 1918), is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable. With nearly 2,000 members, the JLD is a member of the Association of Junior Leagues International, which represents nearly 300 Leagues across the United States and around the world.

To learn more about "*Kitchens That Cook!*" or the Junior League of Denver, please contact AnneMarie Kemp, Community Relations Director, at 303-692-0270 x102 or at akemp@jld.org.

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The Junior League of Denver supports the community by devoting trained volunteers and/or dollars to several projects in the metro Denver community. Membership dues, our famous cookbooks, the annual Holiday Mart, our well known thrift store (the Second Time Shop) and the annual Bridge Marathon provide the financial means to support our purpose and programs.