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Making News



[Tough Times Make Planners Stretch Decor Budgets](#)

Tight event budgets are putting the squeeze on decor. In an recent online poll, 60 percent of event professionals tell *Special Events* that they are using less decor at their special events now than in years past. Thirty percent say they are using the same level of decor, and 8 percent say they are using more decor elements. How to make decor dollars do double-duty? These event designers share their secrets: Linda Ly, principal with [Grand Soirees Event](#)

[Design](#) in Irvine, Calif., points to the power of "well-designed, attractive" event spaces. "They require less decor ... [More](#)



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Going Places

DERRICK TAYLOR has joined [M&M THE SPECIAL EVENTS CO.](#), based in Carol Stream, Ill., as director of social events. Call 630/871-9999 ...

KELLY SADLER has joined Chicago-based DMC [EVED SERVICES](#) as an account executive. Call 773/764-7000 ...

DMC consortium [CONTACT DMC GROUP](#), based in San Diego, has launched a new Web site showcasing its 21 member companies. Call 800/648-4709 ...

Chicago-based [TASTY CATERING](#) has acquired the assets of **ROSANNE'S CATERING SERVICES**, a 21-year-old catering and events firm based in Bloomingdale, Ill. Call 847/593-2000 ...

STEVE HOLT announces the launch of his company [BLEND EVENT MARKETING](#) in Orange County, Calif., offering consulting and production services for meetings, events and trade shows. Call 949/276-7744 ...

[CLASSIC PARTY RENTALS](#), headquartered in Los Angeles, will now offers its [DESIGNER 8](#) furniture line in three new markets: New York, Memphis and Chicago. Call 800/709-7007 ...

JENNIFER EADES has been named eastern national account manager with [CORT EXHIBIT HOUSE](#). Call 248/703-0683 ...

Miami-based [EVENT RENTALS](#) has opened a new showroom at 6187 N.W. 167th St., Hialeah, FL 33015. Call 305/231-0075 ...

BRIAN CRUMBY has been promoted to director of catering at [HOTEL ICON](#) in Houston. Call 713/224-4266 ...

BARBARA MALDONADO has joined Chicago-based [MARKETING RESOURCES](#) as business development manager for promotions, games and sweepstakes. Call 630/530-0100, ext. 1204 ...

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Venue News



Fairmont the Queen Elizabeth Launches "Meetings that Matter"

Montreal's legendary [Fairmont the Queen Elizabeth](#) launched its Meetings that Matter programs last week, which offer planners options of creating either eco-friendly meetings—the Meeting for the Earth option—or meetings that support world peace—the Meet-in for Peace option. Meetings for the Earth use green practices such as recycling stations and distribution of excess food to charity. Meet-in for Peace events allow organizers to donate a sum

equivalent to 10 percent of their group's room revenue to Amnesty International or War Child, and to receive two free room nights in the famous chamber where John Lennon and Yoko Ono staged their "bed-in for peace" 40 years ago. Meetings must include a minimum of rooms and be booked and held within specific time frames.



Terminal 5 Roof Now Available for Events

The rooftop of venue [Terminal 5](#), located in midtown Manhattan, is now available for special event bookings. The space offers dramatic city views, elevator and staircase access, a private VIP entrance, six unisex restrooms, theatrical lighting and unobstructed sightlines, management says. The space, which is suitable for corporate



meetings, product launches, film and photo shoots, and social events, can accommodate parties up to 280

guests.



Tumbling Waters Named Best Georgia Conference Resort

Clayton, Ga.-based [Tumbling Waters Retreat & Conference Center](#) has been named the best conference resort in the state by travel Web site OfficialBestOf.com. The resort offers a 122-acre campus featuring a waterfall, lake with boating opportunities, three dining rooms, meeting space, cabins and deluxe hotel rooms, management says. Guests have access to an alpine tower and obstacle course, a 50-foot climbing wall, three basketball courts,

four tennis courts, sand volleyball court, baseball and soccer fields, and seasonal swimming in the zero-entry swimming pool. Tumbling Waters also arranges yoga, spa services, and nearby golf, horseback riding and whitewater rapids excursions for guests.

Product Gallery



Envi Offers Stylish Recycled Bags

Reusable bags from Envi are fashioned from thick, luxury material made entirely from recycled soda bottles, the manufacturer says. Despite their eco-friendly allure, they offer stylish shapes and attractive designs. The company works with clients to determine fabric, style, size and shape, and offers extra features such as zippers, grommets, insulation, wine pockets and more, the company says. The company also creates bags out of cotton canvas, jute, nylon and polypropylene.

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Laser-engraved Party Favors Suit Bar, Bat Mitzvahs

Laser-engraved party favors from Nationwide Events Group are long-lasting keepsakes that can be created in just seconds, the manufacturer says. The system turns out up to 120 personalized, laser-engraved party favors per hour at the event site. Popular items include include dog tags (see photo at left), key chains, bracelets and lapel pins.

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Customized Photo Booths add Decor Element to Events

Theme2Scene, a supplier of themed event pieces such as stages, bars and buffets, is partnering with Four Quick Clicks, a supplier of portable digital photo booths, to offer themed photo booths that fit seamlessly into an event's decor. For one bride, the suppliers created an oversize Tiffany & Co. box that served as the photo booth (see photo at left). The automated booths print four shots on a 4-by-6-inch image. Custom banners with the

event's logo and online image galleries are available.

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