

White Webb transforms the Carlyle Hotel

New York, NY (PRWEB) October 30, 2007 - The Carlyle Hotel, center of urban elegance for more than seven decades, has received a stylish redo by Matthew White and Frank Webb. Abuzz with the history of Bobby Short, Jackie O and thousands of other luminaries who have passed through its halls, the Carlyle occupies a special place in the top tier of international hotels. With reverence for its esteemed past and an eye toward the future, White Webb has unleashed its creative talents on the hotel's banquet rooms. With their unique blending of historic style and modern swank, the design duo has refreshed the spaces so they sparkle like the jewel boxes they were meant to be.

"It is a thrill to be a part of the amazing roster of designers and artists who have worked at the Carlyle through the decades. From Dorothy Draper to great artists such as Bemelmans, the hotel has always been a center of chic in New York City." said Matthew White. "Our challenge was to give these spaces that signature Carlyle feel while bringing them squarely into the 21st century," added Frank Webb.

Encompassing a large part of the second floor, the project included an elevator vestibule, a central lobby and the Versailles and Trianon banquet rooms. Since the rooms did not possess strong architectural details, the designers introduced custom furnishings and wall coverings, unusual materials and surprising details to provide the necessary punch. In an effort to freshen and modernize the spaces, they chose lighter tones of cream, taupe, and sage, which pop against accents of chocolate, mellow gilding and aged sliver leaf. To anchor the varied spaces, White Webb designed a custom carpet in a bold geometric pattern, which was inspired by floor designs from the 17th century.

With its mix of restrained elegance and modern chic, the revamped banquet rooms represent the perfect setting for most any special occasion.

About White Webb, LLC

White Webb, LLC is an interior design firm with offices in New York City. The firm's principals, Matthew White and Frank Webb, bring a sense of history to every interior design project, but balance it with an appreciation for modern life. This blending of old and new is the hallmark of the White Webb sensibility. Whether working with major art and antiques in architecturally significant houses or creating a fantasy setting in the gallery world, White Webb approaches all projects with an eye toward the past and the future, and a touch of wit.

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