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***Interior Design’s* Editor in Chief to Regale KBIS Crowd during Keynote**

*Cindy Allen Hosts Best of Kitchen and Bath Industry Panel*

**HACKETTSTOWN, NJ — (January 21, 2019)** — The National Kitchen & Bath Association (NKBA), the authority on all things residential kitchen and bath, is announced renowned *Interior Design* Editor in Chief and Sandow Media’s Chief Design Officer Cindy Allen will once again be the keynote speaker at the Kitchen and Bath Show (KBIS), February 20, held at the Las Vegas Convention Center.

This year’s keynote is entitled: *Cindy Allen: She’s Back!* Back by popular demand, that is, and this time she brought friends. Hip and happening, posh with panache and all-out over the top, Allen and panelists are all about K&B! Allen will moderate a panel with design stars Laura Bohn, Adam Rolston and Alison Damonte and will bring *Interior Design Homes: Best of Kitchen & Bath* magazine to life at KBIS 2019.

The keynote will take place February, 20, 1:30 p.m. in Room N109-110 of the Las Vegas Convention Center. In this “Part 2” of Allen’s insightful and entertaining talk at the January 2018 edition, she will share observations, predictions and trends for 2019 and beyond, and lead a panel of design experts in a lively discussion. They’ll discuss and celebrate international design with an emphasis on the best of global kitchens and baths.

Bohn, principal of New York-based Laura Bohn Design, an international full-service interior design firm, is also a co-founder of The Designers Collaborative, a support group for top designers, and a member of both the ASID and Decorators Club. Bohn is a visiting critic at New York-area design schools and has taught at the Fashion Institute of Technology, Parsons School of Design and Pratt Institute, from which she graduated. She’s received two Roscoe awards for her fabric and wallpaper designs, has been inducted into the Interior Design Hall of Fame, and has been featured in numerous TV programming including CNN Style, A&E, Interiors by Design and HGTV, and many books and magazines.

Rolston is creative and managing director and a partner in Inc NYC, an open source, multi-disciplinary, architecture and design studio based in Manhattan. The Los Angeles native attended the Syracuse University School of Architecture and has served as senior designer and project architect for many large-scale, commercial office, residential condominium, private residential, and

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hospitality and retail projects around the world. Rolston is a registered architect in the State of New-more York and a member of both the American Institute of Architects (New York Chapter) and the U.S. Green Building Council.

Damonte, principal of Alison Damonte Inc., founded her full-service interior design firm, based in San Francisco’s eclectic Mission District in 2012. Armed with a degree in political science from Washington University in St. Louis and a dream of becoming an architect, she landed a marketing position at architecture firm WRNS Studio. She fine-tuned her skills by attending courses at UC Berkeley Extension and developed her passion for Sixties-era minimalism, bold color and shapes and gravitated toward interior design. Her work has been featured in *Interior Design*, *Apartment Therapy*, *California Home and Design*, *HGTV*, *Rue*, *San Francisco Magazine* and *Wallpaper*. In 2016, Damonte received *California Home and Design*'s award for Best Residential Interior Design project over 3,000 square feet.

“The NKBA collaborated with *Interior Design Homes: Best of Kitchen & Bath* November issue and we continue to work with Cindy Allen and team on content from the world of kitchens and baths,” said Suzie Williford, chief strategy officer and vice president of industry relations, NKBA. “Allen’s Part 2 keynote will inform the attendees of KBIS 2019 of design trends in the kitchen and bath beyond the U.S., as part of [NKBA Global Connect](https://nkba.org/info/2018/11/nkba-launches-global-connect-initiative), an NKBA initiative.”

Allen will also highlight the partnership between the NKBA and *Interior Design*, which resulted in the *Best of* *Kitchen & Bath* issue and microsite. Allen was named editor in chief of *Interior Design* in 2001 and chief design officer of Sandow Media in 2015. She has not only led the publication and its initiatives, but she has also championed design as a whole and is regarded as one of the industry’s key influencers. Allen provides overall vision and oversees all design and editorial content for the *Interior Design* brands and strategic perspective and leadership support for the company’s design-related projects and partnerships.

Her keynote speech will be followed by a meet-and-greet with fans and loyal readers from
the design community.

This keynote address and panel discussion is open to all registered attendees.

Members of the press can visit the Press Service Center on [KBIS.com](https://registration.experientevent.com/ShowKBI191/?flow=attendee&_ga=2.26273021.1563656002.1548094923-202808280.1522930568) to learn more about registration and the criteria for complimentary press credentials. To register for an editorial press pass, please visit the Design & Construction Week Press Registration Portal. Learn about the latest KBIS 2018 news and announcements on the KBIS Pressroom.

Imagery: Allen, Damonte, Rolston, and Bohn headshots [here](https://nkba.imagerelay.com/sb/777e0c4a-595e-49ca-8bd0-25a09d91e09d/nkba-featured-speaker-cindy-allen-and-panelists-imagery).

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