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### **Urban Design Group Principal Ken Rhyne Selected as Keynote Speaker for the International Interior Design Association (IIDA) Georgia Chapter Annual Meeting**

Atlanta (GA), June 17, 2010 – Ken Rhyne, Allied AIA, a nationally-recognized interior designer and Principal with Urban Design Group, will present a keynote address titled “Design, Create and Celebrate” on Thursday, June 24, 2010 at the IIDA Georgia Chapter annual meeting. The event will be held at the Atlanta Decorative Arts Center (ADAC) at 351 Peachtree Hills Avenue, NE, Atlanta, GA 30305. The celebration begins at 6:00 pm in the presentation room on the first floor atrium and will include a reception, keynote address and awards ceremony. For more information, please visit [www.iidageorgia.org](http://www.iidageorgia.org).

Rhyne has over 35 years of experience in conceptual architectural and interior design projects, including sustainable design, green architecture and the respectful infusion of Native American culture into his work. His areas of expertise include museums, cultural centers, libraries, resorts, casinos, restaurants and corporate offices. His award-winning projects include the Cultural Resources Center for the Smithsonian Institution’s National Museum of the American Indian (NMAI) and the Kampen Eagle Wing Center in Lafayette, Indiana. He is nationally recognized through his published works, lectures and notable projects.

A Tuscarora Indian, Rhyne is a member of the American Indian Council of Architects and Engineers (AICAE). Rhyne is also an accomplished blues singer and harmonica player, and the Ken Rhyne Band was a Nammy (Native American Music Awards) nominee for Best Blues Album of the Year in 2003. Rhyne is a member of the Pfeiffer University Baseball Hall of Fame and was a minor league player for the Washington Senators and Texas Rangers.

Urban Design Group offers architectural, interior, planning and urban design services to its worldwide clientele from studios in Atlanta, Georgia, and Dallas, Texas. A market leader in the application and advancement of Building Information Modeling (BIM) technology, UDG’s personnel work on a wide range of projects from hospitality and gaming to corporate and mixed-use.

In the firm’s 35-year history, Urban Design Group has completed more than \$6 Billion dollars in projects worldwide. The firm has received more than 80 design excellence awards and honors, 15 design competition awards and has been featured in hundreds of magazine articles, newspaper pieces and design resource books. For more information, please visit [www.urbandesigngroup.com](http://www.urbandesigngroup.com).

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