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DESIGNER SHOWROOMS

For the first time, CSL's Heart of the Home Tour will include four designer showrooms. Working in a historic upper Piedmont estate, a handful of prestigious Bay Area interior designers have transformed what were originally the household staff's living quarters into eye-catching havens. Michael Friedes, William Anderson, Deborah Lewis Gadbois, and Robineve Cole have turned the rooms, once clad in flying duck wallpaper, into "I want my room to look like that!" statements. The designers also will offer an engaging series of how-to presentations at various posted times on both tour days.

POPULAR VIP BREAKFAST PROGRAM RETURNS

Based on last year's sell-out subscription, on April 27 at 8:30 a.m. CSL will host a VIP breakfast program on the terrace of the tour home with the showrooms. Stafford Buckley, chair of the history docent program at Oakland's Mountain View Cemetery, will entertain VIP patrons with anecdotes about the famous celebrities and powerful business moguls who built storied mansions in "Piedmont Acres" during the early 1900s.

FABULOUS FOOD AND FUN

At the heart of the tour is CSL's boutique (a shopper's paradise), lunch, and raffle located in the Piedmont Community Center. New this year, Off the Grid stalwarts such as Liba Falafel and other food trucks will dish up their specialties. A lunch ticket includes an entrée, beverage and delicious cookie baked by Master Pastry Chef John Samples. You can also buy raffle tickets and enjoy entertainment at various times while shopping. It's all about having fun and helping children!