



Hart-Davidson Designs' Internship Program

Hart-Davidson Design is a local residential interior design firm that has serviced clients in the mid-Michigan area, Ohio and New York. Head designer Leslie Hart-Davidson, BA, Allied Member ASID has been working in the industry for 15 years and has created spaces that have been featured in home shows, parade of homes, Extreme Makeover Home edition and other television spots. To learn more about HDD and their design philosophy that "design is a democracy, not a dictatorship", please explore the web-site www.designisademocracy.com or call the studio at 517.889.5071

Hart-Davidson Designs is currently seeking junior and senior level interior design interns. These positions are unpaid, but can be completed for academic credit with approval from your program and may lead to a paid position. Interns will be exposed to a variety of interior design tasks and will be involved in full-length projects from start to finish. This learning experience is a hands-on approach, with interns meeting clients and making decisions. Hart-Davidson Designs will not only allow interns to experience the fast-paced interior design environment, but will also mentor them on successful project management.

Interns will be training directly under Leslie Hart-Davidson, Allied Member ASID. Internships include a variety of tasks including, but not limited to:

- Assisting with client visits and client consultations (taking notes and measurements and offering advice)
- Create floor plans, select finishes, and manage every other aspect of the design process for client projects
- Communicating with sub-contractors and other vendors
- Utilizing and maintaining the client files system
- Guest blogging on the Hart-Davidson Designs web-site on design related topics
- Installing design elements in client homes (wall décor, window treatments)
- Creating custom window treatments, bedding ensembles and other home fashions
- Assisting with seminars offered at local libraries and community centers

Those applying for this position must be proficient in:

- Oral and written communication
- Basic interior design principles

To apply for this position contact:

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Fall Semester Applications Due September 11, 2009

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- Submit a cover letter and resume
 - Answer the following questions and forward them with your resume. Please answer them fully and honestly.
 - Why did you choose interior design as a career path?
 - Are you more interested in residential or commercial design and why?
 - What 5 things would you be most interested in learning from an internship with a residential interior designer?
 - How do you think HGTV/TLC/Bravo have changed the awareness of interior design to the masses, and where do you see the design field heading in the next 10 years?
 - So often design advice is casually doled out in a dictatorial manner by individuals who are less than compromising in their methodology. What does the idea of **democratic design** mean to you and how do you envision it in practice?
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