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**Gary Lee Partners' New San Francisco Office, Showroom  
Fuses Design, Performance and Art**

***Prestigious Architecture & Design Firm Moves to Historic Flatiron Building***

**SAN FRANCISCO, May 2008** — In a move befitting one of architecture's foremost devotees to local cultural exposition and reflection, Gary Lee Partners, the internationally recognized architecture and design firm, today announced that its new office in San Francisco's historic Flatiron building will be a multi-use work and exhibition space designed to both showcase the works of local artists as well as support the firm's fast growing West Coast design and architecture practice.

Housed in San Francisco's historic Flatiron building Gary Lee Partners' Sutter Street office aims to advance the firm's belief that every project is an opportunity to create an integrated environment that reveals the spirit of the location, the culture of the client, and the power of design. In keeping with those commitments, the company will offer gallery and performance opportunities to emerging and established artists whose works reflect both the history of the Flatiron community as well as the contemporary points of view of those who live in the area or frequent it for business purposes.

"We're moving in to a landmarked building with the aspiration of making a groundbreaking impact on the art and design community," said Steven McCollom, associate partner and head of San Francisco operations for Gary Lee Partners. "An architecturally significant building is the perfect platform for signaling our commitment to the spirit, passion and creativity that pervades every neighborhood and community, which is an understanding that has made Gary Lee Partners excel and stand out as one of the world's best architecture and design firms."

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On May 8<sup>th</sup>, to celebrate the new space, Gary Lee Partners will hold the first, of many, Open Houses, in conjunction with the showing of noted artist Josh Dov, courtesy of Brian Gross Fine Art. Josh Dov's work has been featured in *The San Francisco Chronicle*, and *Artweek* among others. Gary Lee Partners' new office will continue to feature notable artists in this amazing, new space.

In addition to being home to Gary Lee Partner's San Francisco team, the stunning 2,700 square foot space will also be used for conferences and events. Designed by Gary Lee Partners' renowned architects and designers, the space features many pieces from Gary Lee's and Thomas McWalters' new furniture line, TG Couture. TG Couture will make its premier at this year's NeoCon world trade show in Chicago in June. The line is greatly inspired by couture fashion, and reflects the design duo's signature craftsmanship, attention to detail, elegant lines and use of classic materials. Each piece, hand-crafted in America by the finest artisans, exudes luxury, while at the same time maintaining its essential authenticity and functionality.

### **About Gary Lee Partners**

Gary Lee Partners is an internationally recognized architecture and design firm with offices in Chicago, San Francisco and New York. Founded in 1993, the company's projects reflect its passion for design, concern for the craft and desire for perfection. The firm's owners, Gary Lee and Thomas McWalters, recently introduced a separate furniture company, TG Couture, as a reflection and extension of the luxury, beauty and intelligence exemplified in their firm's design spaces. Both Lee and McWalters, as well as some of the firm's designers play an active role in designing the furniture collection.

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