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### **Viking Awards April Designer of Distinction to Judith Vogt**

Greenwood, MS (May 5, 2015)—Viking Range, LLC, the leader in residential kitchen technology, has named Judith Vogt as the April Designer of Distinction. Ms. Vogt is the principal designer at Vogt Design Studio based in Pasadena, California and is the fourth monthly winner in the 2015 Viking Kitchen Design Competition. Designers from around the United States are vying for the coveted honor to become the 2015 Viking Designer of the Year to be awarded in November.

With a Masters of Fine Arts from UCLA and professional chef training from Epicurean, Judith Vogt understands residential kitchen design. Her portfolio includes everything from contemporary and eclectic to traditional and rustic.

The April winning kitchen design is located in Pasadena at a Spanish/Moorish Residence built in 1928 by architect Harold Bissner. The goal of the project was to create a kitchen for today's casual and family integrated lifestyle while making it feel original to the house. The challenge was to open up a series of small rooms to preserve and gracefully incorporate the butler's pantry, phone nook and other select elements from the original kitchen,

"Viking appliances were chosen based on performance, reputation, and features including sealed burners, high BTU burners, substantial grates and infrared broilers," said Judith Vogt. "Aesthetics were also a factor in appliance selection with Viking offering handsome design, attractive handles and gorgeous colors."

This kitchen is an example of gracefully merging different eras. The flavor of the original 1928 Spanish/Moorish architect built house remains intact while incorporating contemporary appliances inserted into period correct cabinetry. Other elements include soapstone countertops, unlacquered brass hardware and custom made deco tile to match the original tile which was saved and applied to the hood.

"The Viking range in the stunning color is the jewel in the crown," said Vogt. "We chose field tile in a color to coordinate with the Viking range and the original deco tile, and used a randomized pattern with a number of sizes to add visual interest to the backsplash."

Each month prizes and recognitions are awarded to the winning designer in the 2015 Viking Kitchen Design Competition. The monthly winner receives the designation of Designer of Distinction and is featured on [vikingrange.com](http://vikingrange.com) and social media channels. The monthly winner also receives a Viking Professional 10 piece cookware set valued at over \$1,600.

The grand prize winner named as the 2015 Viking Kitchen Designer of the Year will be featured in a 2016 **Architectural Digest** ad and will receive a Viking Professional Range valued up to \$10,299. Entries by design professionals for the Viking Kitchen Design Competition are being accepted through October 31, 2015.

Design professionals interested in entering the Viking Kitchen Design Completion can visit [www.vikingrange.com/designers](http://www.vikingrange.com/designers) to enter.

Viking Range, LLC originated ultra-premium commercial-type appliances for the home, creating a whole new category of home appliances. Committed to innovative product design, unrivaled performance and peerless quality, Viking is headquartered in Greenwood, Mississippi, and is a subsidiary of The Middleby Corporation, a long-time leader in commercial kitchen technology. Viking appliances are recognized globally as the foremost brand in the high-end appliance industry and are sold through a network of premium appliance distributors and dealers worldwide.

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