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13th ANNUAL 2009 ACE AWARDS

The Accessories Council Honors Fashion Influencers

WHO: Honorees include **Burberry-Brand of the Year**; **Hal Rubenstein-Marylou Luther Award for Fashion Journalism**; **Fred Allard of Nine West-Influencer Award**; **Tomas Maier for Bottega Veneta- Designer of the Year**; **Diane von Furstenberg- Accessory Visionary Award**; **Blake Mycoskie of Tom's Shoes-Humanitarian Award**; **Zappos.com-Retailer of the Year**; **Gilt Groupe-Retail Innovation**; **V Magazine-Magazine of the Year**; and **Barbie-Fashion Icon**

WHAT: The Accessories Council will host the **13th Annual ACE Awards** honoring individuals and companies who have furthered the awareness and use of accessories. Annually, the ACE Awards are presented to designers, brands, retailers, celebrities and media who have helped to enhance sales and promote accessories at the consumer level.

The night will include a cocktail reception at the beautiful Cipriani on 42nd Street followed by a dinner and award ceremony. Lead sponsors of the evening included Marchon and Cole Haan as well a number of other prominent accessory brands.

The Accessories Council, a not-for-profit national advocacy group, was formed in 1995 by accessory manufacturers and retailers to unite a diverse industry and create a singular voice. The Council addresses industry concerns and promotes accessories to the consumer. Membership includes major retailers across the country and renowned brand and designer names. These members comprise a large percentage of the \$30 billion accessories business in the United States.

WHEN: Monday, November 2, 2009
7:00pm-10:30pm
****PRESS CALL TIME: 6:30pm**

WHERE: **Cipriani 42nd Street**
110 East 42nd Street, between Lexington and Park Avenues

PHOTO CAPTIONS: **2009 ACE Awards** presented by the **Accessories Council**

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