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Gus Blume, owner of Blume's Solid Surface in Pittsburgh, is inducted onto Artisan Group™ Board of Directors



AUSTIN – Feb. 25, 2010– Artisan Group has inducted Gus Blume, president, Blume's Solid Surface Products in Pittsburgh as one of its board of directors for a two-year term. Gus also served on the ISSFA board of directors for six years.

Blume's was the first stone fabricator in Pennsylvania to achieve accreditation from the Marble Institute of America (MIA). MIA Accreditation for natural stone fabricators recognizes those companies that meet the industry's highest standards for business activities, product knowledge, fabrication and installation.

Blume started a laminate countertop fabrication shop in 1972 (Topcraft), sold that business in 1988 and started Blume's Solid Surface. Blume's added their current stone operation in 2004 and since have been a full-service solid surface, granite and quartz fabrication shop located just outside Pittsburgh and servicing western Pennsylvania, eastern Ohio and northern West Virginia. Blume's offers Artisan Stone Collection granite and marble, Heritage Wood and Saratoga Soapstone, as well as solid surface and quartz countertop products. Blume's is a wholesale only company selling to kitchen dealers, contractors, millwork houses and builders. For the Blume's dealer nearest you, visit www.blumes.net.

Artisan Group™ is the premier network of stone fabricators in North America. Its extensive network allows the organization to offer the world's best granite from the best sources around the globe. Utilizing the most technically advanced, automated shops in the industry, highly skilled craftsmen ensure that each and every installation meets exacting standards. In fact, all Artisan Group members have either achieved Marble Institute of America Accreditation, or have begun the process, making it the first group of granite fabricators in the world to be working towards this distinction. From classic to exotic, Artisan Group offers the most extensive array of stone and wood choices in the industry, and is dedicated to the highest level of customer service. For more information or to request a quote, visit www.artisan-counters.com.

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