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2007 Spring Designer Showcase Nov 5-11 Offers Versatile Styles & Inspired Fabrics to Accentuate Every Body Type

Less frill, easier-to-wear styles denote a feminine
sophistication for Spring's fashion and jewelry

Charlotte, NC – Today's image-conscious woman comes in all shapes and sizes, and the Spring 2007 Designer Showcase Collection, to be presented at Rahe Lynne Clothier November 5th through 11th, proves that designers have taken notice with mindful attention to details and versatility. According to Lynne Byrd, owner of Rahe Lynne Clothier, whose clients range from women in their 20s to 60s, this year's collection, more than any other in previous years, offers a fabulous array of options. "Women who are active and vibrant at any age demand fashions that are easy to wear and accentuate their personal style all at the same time," states Byrd.

"Age, body shape and lifestyles underscore how fashion designers have responded to the unique challenge of bringing fashion to a diverse clientele of accomplished women," states Byrd. "Fashion has now become as much about where it is going to be worn as it is who is going to be wearing it. This year's Spring and Pre-Spring collections offer wonderful versatility, with more dresses that are less girly and depict a feminine sophistication for the office or a social outing. Suiting is more tailored, yet versatile in options to cater to all body types to accentuate each woman's best features."

Another aspect of the upcoming season's designs is a focus on the cuts, patterns and actual construction of each piece. "While in years past the accoutrements and what was added to the fabrics as accents was the emphasis, this season brings interesting details and stunning individuality in what has gone into the actual construction of each garment," explains Byrd. "There is a renewed polish to the designs that exudes confidence and a calming of fashion from how it fits the body and brings out the best in the woman who wears it."

Collections to be showcased at the November Trunk Show include Lafayette 148, Trixi Schober, Raffinalla, and Rahe Lynne's continually expanding private designer line. Rahe Lynne will also be welcoming special guest, Eileen Lover of Lafayette 148, for individual consultations on November 5th and 6th at the boutique. Lover will be presenting the Pre-Spring Collection of Lafayette 148 Designer, Edward Wilkerson, who was inspired by Italy's Portofino, a coastal community with cool waters, sea breezes, lush greenery, cobblestone and a soulfulness that influenced everything from the innovatively refreshing textures, colors and prints to the balance between flowing styles and a more relaxed, yet tailored sophistication.

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A new accessory line will also be featured at the Showcase offering exquisitely handcrafted necklaces, earrings and bracelets by Basia, a Canadian designer line that combines the simple elegance of sterling silver, 14k yellow and white gold with unique accents and combinations of fresh water pearls, lava rocks, corals, and semi precious stones. "We debuted Basia earlier this month with fabulous response from our clientele. So, we have significantly expanded our offering of necklaces and earrings to be shown of this line for our November show," says Byrd.

Established in 1998, Rahe Lynne Clothier is a by-appointment-only boutique, presenting a New York-style showroom in the heart of the historic South End in Charlotte, North Carolina. The boutique brings the latest in fashion for business, evening, resort wear, and accessories from all over the world. Many of the lines featured by Rahe Lynne Clothier are exclusive, offering the ability to customize orders in fabric and accoutrements for clients. Additionally, the showroom offers a large selection of styles ranging from petites through plus sizes. Rahe Lynne showcases its latest discoveries at multiple private showings throughout the year. At hours convenient to clients, Rahe Lynne provides one-on-one attention, wardrobe analysis, pick up and delivery. As an added benefit, Rahe Lynne keeps detailed client records, which facilitates wardrobe building from season to season. Offering the best in style and personal service, the retailer is often asked by clients to seek out unique items especially for them. Lynne Byrd, a native Charlottean, currently resides in Concord, NC.

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