

What's News

Ruggiero Trailblazer Award

International Furnishings and Design Association Honor



On Saturday evening September 17th, Philadelphia, **Joe Ruggiero** was awarded the International Furnishings and Design Association's **Trailblazer of the Year Award, 2011**; some former recipients, **Lady Bird Johnson**, **Michael Graves** and **Philippe**

Stark. The award recognizes an individual who has forged a unique path for the **Home Industry**. Pictured, **Merv Kaufman**, author and editor, **Wendy Silverstien**, President, New York Chapter & **Claire Coleman**, one of the founders of IFDA.

New Case Goods

As part of the new **Italian Classico Collection**, Ruggiero has designed a new group of case goods for **Gat Creek**. These "made in America" pieces were inspired by travels Ruggiero made through the *Northern Regions of Italy* while filming for his HGTV specials on the **"Best of Italian Design."** Ruggiero explains, *"I have always loved the look of beautifully designed Italian furniture and now we can create*



the same looks made here in America by our American Craftspeople."

CREATING A "TOTAL HOME" COLLECTION INSPIRED BY RUGGIERO'S ROOTS

Drawing upon his extensive world travels and rich family heritage, **Joe Ruggiero** is introducing a new *globally-inspired* collection. Ruggiero's fall market **Sunbrella** fabrics are organized into four groups - **Veneto**, **Tuscany**, **Milano** and **Capri**-will



be featured in the **Miles Talbott** showroom in High Point, North Carolina. **Italian Classico** is the common thread this market for the **Joe Ruggiero Collection**, including upholstery, window treatments, case goods, lighting, artwork, bed hangings and a new collection of **Sunbrella** woven throws for **Textillery**.