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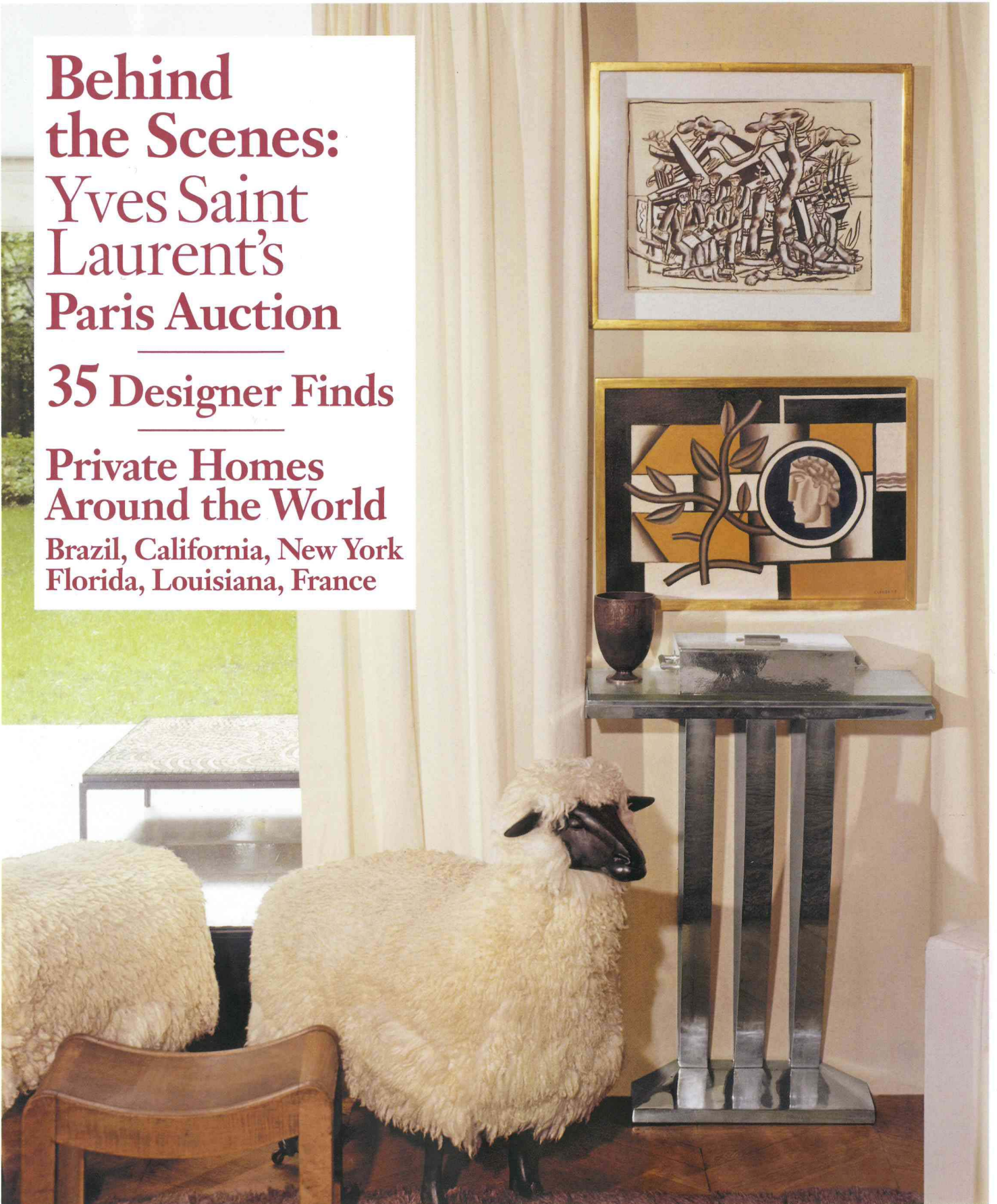
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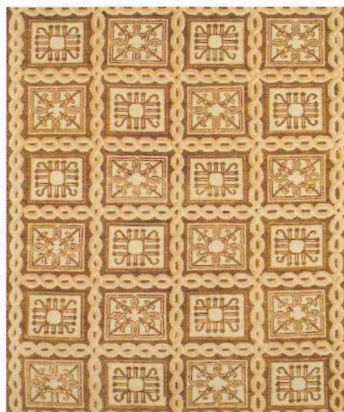
In January, the America's Magnificent Carpets Awards were presented for outstanding examples of artistry at a ceremony hosted by AmericasMart® and sponsored by Architectural Digest.

The judging panel was made up of respected experts from the carpet and interior design professions, and winning rugs were selected from hundreds of entries in the following categories: Handmade, Contemporary, Antique, Power-loomed and Buyer's Choice. The top honors went to **Couristan**, **French Accents**, **Karastan** and **Nourison**, as well as Capa Imports, Chaman, Creative Touch, Loloï, Marcella Fine Rugs, Nalbandian, Safavieh and Shalom Brothers. As the signature event of the Atlanta International Area Rug Market, the Awards ceremony drew more than 1,000 attendees.

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NOURISON: Winner, Handmade at \$12-\$23/sq. ft.



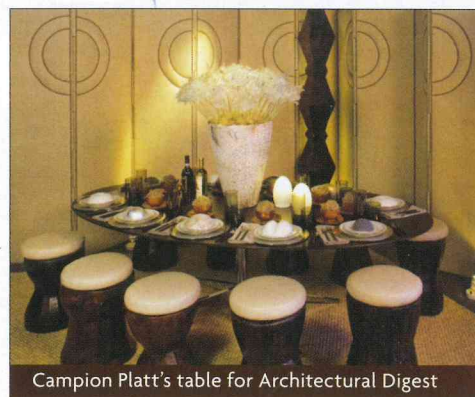
FRENCH ACCENTS: Winner, Handmade at \$35-\$46/sq. ft.



COURISTAN: Winner, Power-loomed at \$200-\$400



KARASTAN: Winner, Power-loomed at \$400-\$1,000



Campion Platt's table for Architectural Digest

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THE ART OF THE TABLE

Architectural Digest sponsored **DIFFA'S DINING BY DESIGN NY** in March, a feast for the eyes that featured nearly 40 dynamic dining environments on display, culminating in a gala fundraising dinner. Architectural Digest presented a table designed by AD100 architect Campion Platt, who found inspiration in the work of the early 20th-century sculptor Constantin Brancusi.

The AD space was defined by folding screens upholstered in **Old World Weavers** fabric, framing the focal point of an eight-foot sculptural column from Lyle & Umbach at **Holly Hunt**. With **Stark** sisal underfoot, custom **Edelman Leather Robbins** stools surrounding the oval Knoll Studio dining table. The finishing touch: Platt commissioned artist Marcella Silva to create 10 small plaster sculptures that sat in the center of each Haviland China place setting.

To see more Dining by Design installations, visit diffa.org.



Brancusi-influenced sculptures set each plate

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Revisiting Yves Saint Laurent

In addition to this month's feature on the YSL auction at Christie's, we take a look at two incarnations of the couturier's timeless Left Bank duplex in Paris—published in *AD* in 1976 and again in 1988—and his museum (and former couture house) dedicated to art and fashion.

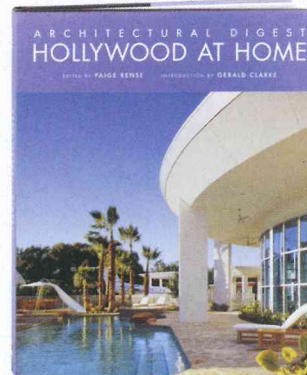
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