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## **Connecticut Artisan Donates Custom Pieces to the Warner Theatre**

Torrington, CT – Connecticut artisan, Paul Hahn, owner and designer of Artistic Endeavors Custom Furniture and Accessories in East Granby has donated three custom furniture pieces to the Warner Theatre.

In 2009, Mr. Hahn created two custom coat racks made of maple, oak and cherry. The coat racks were designed to reflect the art deco interior of the Warner Theatre and incorporate the marquee into the design on the side panels.

A third piece was recently donated. A portable rolling bar made of African ribbon cut mahogany with tiger maple inlay, was created specifically for the Warner Club, an area of the theatre used for receptions and events. All of these beautiful pieces, which reflect the theatre's Art Deco theme are greatly appreciated and are a valued addition to the theatre's permanent collection.

Mr. Hahn has 22 years experience in furniture design and creation. Along with his East Granby store, he is planning to open a showroom in Simsbury in Fall 2010. Artistic Endeavors is located at 72 Floydville Road in East Granby. For more information, contact Paul Hahn at (860) 653-2722 or visit [artendeavorsfurniture.com](http://artendeavorsfurniture.com).

### **ABOUT THE WARNER THEATRE**

Built by Warner Brothers Studios and opened in 1931 as a movie palace (1,772 seats), the Warner Theatre was described then as "Connecticut's Most Beautiful Theatre." Damaged extensively in a flood, the Warner was slated for demolition in the early 1980s until the non-profit Northwest Connecticut Association for the Arts (NCAA) was founded and purchased the theatre. The Warner reopened as a performing arts center in 1983, and restoration of the main

lobbies and auditorium was completed in November 2002. In 2008, the new 50,000 square foot Carole and Ray Neag Performing Arts Center, which houses a 300 seat studio theatre, 200 seat restaurant and micro-brewery and expansive school for the arts, was completed. Today, the Warner is in operation year-round with more than 160 performances and 100,000 patrons passing through its doors each season. Over 10,000 students, pre K—adult, participate in arts education programs and classes. Together, with the support of the community, the Warner has raised close to \$17 million to revitalize its facilities. NCAA's mission is to preserve the Warner Theatre as an historic landmark, enhance its reputation as a center of artistic excellence and a focal point of community involvement, and satisfy the diverse cultural needs of the region. To learn more about the Warner Theatre, visit our website: [www.warnertheatre.org](http://www.warnertheatre.org).