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First-of-Its-Kind Retail Shop Opens In the Historic Short North Garden District

(Columbus, OH) - Dames Bond Marketplace, 1188 North High Street in the historic Short North Garden District, will host a grand opening for the general public Oct. 4. The Marketplace is the first of its kind, showcasing women in business, with something for everyone, and is an offshoot of the highly successful Dames Bond marketing network.

"From cupcakes to fine art, our shop represents very talented women whose products need to be seen, touched, tasted and experienced," says Mary B. Relotto, founder and CEO of Dames Bond. "The Marketplace brings Dames Bond's exceptional, online business directory to life, making it tangible."

The Marketplace is further evidence that, while the economy is trying to recover from taking a nosedive in recent months, women entrepreneurs are going full steam ahead, taking risks and collaborating with other women to advance their businesses Just like Dames Bond's motto: When Dames bond, Dames thrive!

Dames Bond Marketplace will be open every day, but Mondays. Special events, like Meet the Dame Maker, will be scheduled on the weekends, giving consumers an opportunity to meet the Dames represented in the shop and vice versa.

Prior to the grand opening, the shop will maintain regular business hours beginning Sept. 17, 2012:

Sunday - 12- - 5 p.m.
Monday - Closed
Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday - 12 - 6:30 p.m.
Friday/Saturday - noon - 7 p.m. (Gallery Hops - till 10 p.m.)

For more information about Dames Bond Marketplace, log on to www.DamesBond.com.

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About Dames Bond:

Dames Bond opened its doors in 2006 as the first all-female networking community specifically designed to actively market the expertise of women in business. A combination of networking events and great online content got the attention of Forbes and ForbesWoman, honoring Dames Bond as "one of the top 10 networking sites for women in business." Most recently, Dames Bond was recognized by US News and World Report as "one of the top 8 handy sites for finding networking events." The Dames Bond Marketplace is another step in the right direction toward helping women discover their possibilities, strengthen their business senses and to encourage out of the box marketing techniques.