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Around the House With Matt and Shari to Premiere on Western Reserve PBS

KENT, Ohio — Jan. 6, 2011 — The popular home decorating team of Matt Fox and Shari Hiller return to television with **Around the House With Matt and Shari**, which premieres on Western Reserve PBS on Saturday, Jan. 15, at 12:30 p.m. It also will air on Sundays at 2 a.m. beginning Jan. 9.

Fox and Hiller created the first show to air on HGTV, "Room by Room," which aired for 12 years. The first season of their new show features 13 episodes that offer step-by-step projects and practical advice for improving one's living spaces. Also included are great ideas to solve decorating dilemmas, plus do-it-yourself home projects, recipes, children's crafts, sewing projects and more.

"We're back and better than ever with this new show," said Fox. "The projects that we present are all good for you, your home and your budget."

Both hosts are graduates of Kent State University and earned bachelor of fine arts degrees there — Hiller in interior design and Fox in theater. They have been collaborating on television series and specials, newspaper columns and books since 1991. **Around the House With Matt and Shari** is a joint project of FoxHill Studios, Inc. and KS, Inc. Productions.

About Western Reserve Public Media

Western Reserve Public Media (formerly PBS 45 & 49) is owned and operated by Northeastern Educational Television of Ohio, Inc., a private, nonprofit corporation and consortium of Kent State University, The University of Akron and Youngstown State University. A trusted community resource, Western Reserve Public Media uses the power of commercial-free television and related services to enrich the lives of people through high-quality programming and educational services that teach, illuminate and inspire.

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Western Reserve PBS, a service of the organization, is the only broadcast television service that reaches all of northeast Ohio. It is available to 1.8 million households and 4.4 million people in the Cleveland and Youngstown designated market areas. In an average week, over 500,000 households tune in. The organization also operates three standard definition channels, Fusion (WNEO.2/WEAO.2), MHz Worldview (WNEO.3/WEAO.3) and V-me (WNEO.4/WEAO.4).

Through funding from eTech Ohio, Western Reserve Public Media provides K-12 educational technology training and instructional television programming to 21,500 educators and 256,700 students in eight Ohio counties. For more information about the organization, visit www.WesternReservePublicMedia.org or call 1-800-554-4549.

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