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Langhorne Carpet Co. recreates presidential carpet

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Weavers at the Langhorne Carpet Co. have recreated a 19th century carpet that graced the home of President Rutherford B. Hayes.

The original carpet was likely purchased by Hayes and his wife, Lucy, for the master bedroom of their home in Ohio an estate known as Spiegel Grove. The estate is undergoing renovations, and the Langhorne Carpet Co. was asked to recreate the carpet to match the original shown in historic photographs.

The local firm was chosen by design historian Gail Caskey Winkler, a partner at LCA Associates of Philadelphia and a consultant on the restoration project. The recreation of the all-wool, woven carpet, which featured an intricate floral design, was overseen by Winnifred M. Morrow, the 90-year-old matriarch and CEO of the Langhorne Carpet Co.

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