CHARMING SHOPPES INC

Form SC 13G January 23, 2007

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Schedule 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(New)

CHARMING SHOPPES
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock
(Title of Class of Securities)

161133103
(CUSIP Number)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

[X] Rule 13d-1(b)

December 31, 2006

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CUSIP No. 161133103

(1) Names of Reporting Persons.

I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).

BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS, NA., 943112180

- (2) Check the appropriate box if a member of a Group^*
- (a) / /
- (b) /X/

(3) SEC Use Only

(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization U.S.A.

(5) Sole Voting Power 3,332,155
(6) Shared Voting Power
(7) Sole Dispositive Power 4,131,126
(8) Shared Dispositive Power
ch Reporting Person
(9) Excludes Certain Shares*
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a Group*
(5) Sole Voting Power 2,865,957
(6) Shared Voting Power
(7) Sole Dispositive Power 2,865,957
(8) Shared Dispositive Power

(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in 2.32%	n Row (9)
(12) Type of Reporting Person* IA	
CUSIP No. 161133103	
(1) Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons.	ersons (entities only).
BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS, LTD	
(2) Check the appropriate box if a member of a (a) $\ /\ /$ (b) $\ /X/$	a Group*
(3) SEC Use Only	
(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization England	
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	(5) Sole Voting Power
by Each Reporting Person With	(6) Shared Voting Power
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power
(9) Aggregate	
(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row	(9) Excludes Certain Shares*
(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in 0.00%	n Row (9)
(12) Type of Reporting Person*	
CUSIP No. 161133103	
(1) Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above pe	ergong (ontition only)

BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS JAPA	N TRUST AND BANKING COMPANY LIMITED
<pre>(2) Check the appropriate box if a mem (a) / / (b) /X/</pre>	ber of a Group*
(3) SEC Use Only	
(4) Citizenship or Place of Organizati Japan	on
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With	(5) Sole Voting Power
	(6) Shared Voting Power
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power
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(12) Type of Reporting Person* BK	
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BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS JAPA	N LIMITED
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Person With	(6) Shared Voting Power

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(11) Percent 0.00%	of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)
(12) Type of IA	Reporting Person*
ITEM 1(A).	NAME OF ISSUER CHARMING SHOPPES
TEM 1(B).	ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES 450 WINKS LANE BENSALEM, PA 19020
TTEM 2(A).	NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS, NA
TEM 2(B).	ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE 45 Fremont Street San Francisco, CA 94105
ITEM 2(C).	CITIZENSHIP U.S.A
TTEM 2(D).	TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES Common Stock
ITEM 2(E).	CUSIP NUMBER 161133103
(a) // Broke	IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(B), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A er or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act U.S.C. 780).
(b) /X/ Bank (c) // Insur	as defined in section 3(a) (6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c). rance Company as defined in section 3(a) (19) of the Act
(d) // Inves	J.S.C. 78c). Stiment Company registered under section 8 of the Investment
(e) // Inves	any Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8). The three thr
240.1	system benefit Plan or endowment fund in accordance with section 3d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F). It Holding Company or control person in accordance with section
240.1	3d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G).
(h) // A sav	rings association as defined in section 3(b) of the Federal Depo

Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813). (i) // A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15U.S.C. 80a-3). (j) // Group, in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J) NAME OF ISSUER ITEM 1(A). CHARMING SHOPPES ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES ITEM 1(B). 450 WINKS LANE BENSALEM, PA 19020 ITEM 2(A). NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING BARCLAYS GLOBAL FUND ADVISORS ITEM 2(B). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE 45 Fremont Street San Francisco, CA 94105 ITEM 2(C). CITIZENSHIP U.S.A TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES Common Stock ______ TTEM 2(E). CUSIP NUMBER 161133103 ITEM 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(B), OR 13D-2(B), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A (a) // Broker or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o). (b) // Bank as defined in section 3(a) (6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c). (c) // Insurance Company as defined in section 3(a) (19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c). (d) // Investment Company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8). (e) /X/ Investment Adviser in accordance with section 240.13d(b)(1)(ii)(E). (f) // Employee Benefit Plan or endowment fund in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F). (g) // Parent Holding Company or control person in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G). (h) // A savings association as defined in section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813). (i) // A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15U.S.C. 80a-3). (j) // Group, in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J) NAME OF ISSUER CHARMING SHOPPES ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES TTEM 1(B). 450 WINKS LANE BENSALEM, PA 19020 _____ ITEM 2(A). NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS, LTD

ITEM 2(B).	ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE Murray House 1 Royal Mint Court LONDON, EC3N 4HH
ITEM 2(C).	CITIZENSHIP England
ITEM 2(D).	TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES Common Stock
ITEM 2(E).	CUSIP NUMBER 161133103
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	or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act .C. 78o).
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	NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING S GLOBAL INVESTORS JAPAN TRUST AND BANKING COMPANY LIMITED
ITEM 2(B).	ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE Ebisu Prime Square Tower 8th Floor 1-1-39 Hiroo Shibuya-Ku Tokyo 150-0012 Japan
ITEM 2(C).	
ITEM 2(D).	TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES Common Stock
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ITEM 1(A). NAME OF ISSUER CHARMING SHOPPES

ITEM 1(B). ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES 450 WINKS LANE BENSALEM, PA 19020

ITEM 2(A). NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING
BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS JAPAN LIMITED

ITEM 2(B). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE Ebisu Prime Square Tower 8th Floor

1-1-39 Hiroo Shibuya-Ku Tokyo 150-8402 Japan

ITEM 2(C). CITIZENSHIP Japan

ITEM 2(D). TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES

Common Stock

ITEM 2(E). CUSIP NUMBER 161133103

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ITEM 4. OWNERSHIP

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

(a) Amount Beneficially Owned:

6,997,083

(b) Percent of Class:

5.67%

(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:

(i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote 6,198,112

shared power to vote or to direct the vote

(iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of 6,997,083

(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of

ITEM 5. OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following. //

ITEM 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON The shares reported are held by the company in trust accounts for the economic benefit of the beneficiaries of those accounts. See also Items 2(a) above.

ITEM 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY

Not applicable

ITEM 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP Not applicable

ITEM 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP Not applicable

ITEM 10. CERTIFICATION

> (a) The following certification shall be included if the statement is filed pursuant to section 240.13d-1(b):

> > By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

(b) The following certification shall be included if the statement is filed pursuant to section 240.13d-1(c):

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

January 9, 2007
Date
 Signature
Robert J. Kamai Principal
 Name/Title