



INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF FURNITURE DESIGNERS

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INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF FURNITURE DESIGNERS ANNOUNCES **2018 Pinnacle Award Finalists**

High Point, N.C. September 6, 2018—It's official: The judges have voted and the newest class of finalists for the industry's highest honor—the 2018 Pinnacle Awards—is complete. Winners will be announced at the Twenty-Third Annual Pinnacle Awards Gala, set for October 15 at High Point University's Congdon School of Health Sciences.

For the first time in the history of the Pinnacles, the awards will be bestowed by the International Society of Furniture Designers (ISFD), the international organization devoted to advancing, improving and supporting the practice of furniture design.

"Now in our 23rd year, the annual Pinnacle Awards Competition has drawn interest from designers across the country in 18 categories—reflecting the ever-expanding awareness of the impact of product design on the marketplace," says John Conrad, executive director. "We saw more student entries than ever before this year, and we are also pleased to see intense competition in our newest category, Maker/Designer, created to recognize the builders/makers who create one-of-a-kind pieces for sale in galleries and stores, as well as client-specific products."

An elite mix of industry leaders encompassing manufacturing, retailing, education, journalists, designers and home fashions forecasters are judging the competition this year, including Greg Kincaid, Marketing Manager, Sherwin Williams; Ellen Fisher, NYSID, VP Academic Affairs; Nancy Fire, Design Works International, Co-Founder; Adam Kessler, AWFS; Jane Nichols, HPU School of Design; Ray Allegrezza, Executive Director, IHFRA; Lael Thompson, COO, Broyhill Home Collections; June Sedlak Mooney, Studio J; Peggy Burns, Queen Bee, Circle Furniture; Sarah Paxton, President, LaDiff; and Connie Post, CEO, Affordable Design Solutions. They have culled the entries to the following:

2018 PINNACLE FINALISTS

Occasional Tables

Annabella Cocktail Table

By Bernhardt Casegoods Design Team for Bernhardt

Milo Laptop Table

By Louis A. Lara, ISFD for BDI

Skywalk Rectangular Cocktail Table

By Frederic Spector, ISFD and Alan Antonelli for Drexel Furniture

Springhouse Occasional Collection

By Wilson Keel for Charleston Forge

Occasional Storage

Kallista Cabinet

By Aimee Kurzner for Currey & Company

Linea Entertainment Console

By Bernhardt Casegoods Design Team for Bernhardt

Nightingale Entertainment Credenza

By Bernhardt Casegoods Design Team for Bernhardt

Swing Bar - Stones

by Carl Muller for Elite Modern

Youth Furniture

Jango

By Ken Levi for Oak Furniture West

Modern Spirit

By Universal Design Team for Universal Furniture

Serendipity

By Mike Warren, ISFD, Shannon Lookabill, ISFD and Andrea Otto for Universal Furniture

Casual Dining

All A Flutter

By Carol Wheeless and Michelle De La Rosa for Caracole

Local Harvest Casual Dining

By Catina Suarez Roscoe for Borkholder Furniture

Mango Dining Table

By Jason Phillips for Phillips Collection

Pinnacles Dining Table

By Selamat Design Team for Selamat Designs

Formal Dining

Hague Dining Table

By Thor Taber for Century Furniture

Sanaz Dining Table

By Scott Hamed for ST2

Soliloquy

By Mike Warren, ISFD, Shannon Lookabill, ISFD and Andrea Otto for Universal Furniture

Motion Upholstery

Cirrus Comfort Air

By American Leather Design Team, ISFD for American Leather

Jane Swivel Chair

By Chaddock Design Team, for Chaddock

Luke

By La-Z-Boy Design Team for La-Z-Boy

Marino

By Kelvin Giormani for Kelvin Giormani by Planum

Stationary Upholstery

Degas Chair

By Patrick Aubriot for Century Furniture

Loft Sofa

By Guillaume Noiseux for G. Romano

Pop Your Collar

By Christopher Sandomenico for Caracole

Springhouse Lounge Chair

By Wilson Keel for Charleston Forge

Leather Upholstery

Greg

By Kelvin Giormani, ISFD and Michele Mantovani, ISFD for Kelvin Giormani by Planum

Hansen Chair

By Stanley J. Friedman, ISFD for Moroni, Inc.

Oxford Sectional

By Stanley J. Friedman, ISFD for Moroni, Inc.

Shannon Chair

By Universal Design Team for Universal Furniture

Lighting

Pebble Table Lamp

By Mandy Shanahan, ISFD, for Phillips Collection

Whitaker 6 Light Pendant in Aged Steel

By Teddy Feracho, for Golden Lighting

Accessories

Artisanry

By Dani Bonney, Alysha Carroll-Simko, Nicole Shenk and Lea Brubaker
for Spicher and Company

Gold Acrylic Bevel Tabletop Float Frame for 5"x7" Photos

By Morgan Doherty for Wexel Art Displays

Maki Screen

By Mark Phillips, ISFD for Phillips Collection

Gold Single Panel Acrylic Floating Frame + Magnets for 16" x 20" Art

By Natasha McRee for Wexel Art Displays

Home Office

1650-10 Group

By Taylor West for Hooker Furniture

Genevieve(TM) Home Office Collection

By Jena Hall, ISFD, Nicholas Walker for Twin Star Home

Iron Frame Chamcha Wood Desk

By Mandy Shanahan, ISFD for Phillips Collection

Swedish Classics(TM) Home Office Collection

By Jena Hall, ISFD, Nicholas Walker for Twin Star Home

Home Entertainment

Burton Cabinet

By Joe McCambridge, ISFD Kevin Hinshaw and Watts Humphrey for Woodbridge Furniture

Greenhaus Smart Media Console

By Sara Chen for A Plus International

The Naturalist Entertainment Console

By Caracole Design Team, ISFD for Caracole

Wright Collection

By Jena Hall, ISFD and Ryan Mimick for Twin Star Home

Summer/Casual

Archi Lounge

By Henrik Pedersen for Gloster

'Belmeade' cordless outdoor power recliner

By Jack Lewis, ISFD and Gary VanderWood, ISFD for Klausner Outdoor

"On and On"

By Jack Lewis, ISFD and Gary VanderWood, ISFD for Klausner Outdoor

Prevue

By John Caldwell for Brown Jordan

Softscape

By John Caldwell for Brown Jordan

Bedroom

Dominic Metal Canopy Bed

By Bernhardt Casegoods Design Team for Bernhardt

Marcel Chest

By Aimee Kurzner, ISFD for Currey & Company

Paradox Bed

By Universal Design Team for Universal Furniture

Sulley Comfort Sleeper

By American Leather Design Team for American Leather

Student Award

Netik Cocktail Table

By John Lavee, ISFD; Appalachian State University

Phases Nightstand

By Kyung Min Lee, ISFD; Kendall College of Art and Design

The Flight Attendant

By CoCo Ree Lemery, ISFD; Savannah College of Art and Design

"The Warden of Wallop Park" Cabinet

By Ryan Decker, ISFD; Appalachian State University

Maker/Designer Award

Geo River Table

By Christian Dunbar, ISFD for Christian Dunbar Designs

Escape Velocity

By Owain Harris, ISFD for Owain Harris

RAIN Chandelier

By Christian Dunbar, ISFD for Christian Dunbar Designs

Green Leaf Award

Geo River Table

By Christian Dunbar, ISFD for Christian Dunbar Designs

Iron Frame Chamcha Wood Desk

By Mandy Shanahan, ISFD for Phillips Collection

Maki Screen

By Mark Phillips, ISFD for Phillips Collection

Sunbury Bed

By Michael Showalter for Gat Creek

Major Collections

Linea Collection

By Otto & Moore Design, ISFD and Bernhardt Design Teams for Bernhardt

Modern Grace Collection

By Carol Wheeless and Christopher Sandomenico, ISFD for Caracole

Sulley Comfort Sleeper

By American Leather Design Team for American Leather

Vienna

By Thor Taber for Century Furniture

Globally celebrated product designer Carston Astheimer will deliver the keynote address at the gala. Joining him on stage as presenters will be television host and interior designer Genevieve Gorder; Corey Damien Jenkins, interior designer; Michelle Jennings Wiebe, interior designer; Amy Archer, vice president of merchandising and creative force at Lee Industries; Next Gen retailer Lael Thompson, chief operating officer of Denver-based Broyhill Home Collections; and Bob Maricich, chief executive officer of International Market Centers (IMC). Tickets for the gala are \$75 in advance and \$100 at the door. To purchase, visit <http://bit.ly/2018PinnacleAwardsGala>.

Awards will be presented in 18 home furnishings categories, with finalists and winning designs promoted to retailers in the U.S. and around the world. Winning products will also have the right to feature the 2018 Pinnacle Award logo on all related media, collateral and packaging. The 2018 Awards are sponsored by the High Point Market Authority, Leggett & Platt, International Market Centers, Designers Today, Continental Hardware, Furniture Today, HSM Solutions, Furniture Design Studios and Sherwin-Williams, IHFRA and AHMI.

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