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- Max. cutting height: 6"
- Footprint: 231/2" x 161/2"
- Table height above floor: 43"
- Table tilt: 45° right, 10° left
- Frame construction: cast iron
- 2 blade speeds: 1800 & 3100 FPM
- Blade size: 931/2" long
- · Precision-ground cast iron table
- Blade width rande: 1/8" - 3/4" wide
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- Blade tension indicator
- · Micro-adjusting geared table
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- Blade tracking window
- Includes 1/2" blade

SPECIFICATIONS:

- Motor: 2 HP, 110V/220V, single-phase, TEFC capacitor start induction, 1725 RPM, 60 Hz, prewired 220V
- Amps: 20A at 110V, 10A at 220V
- Power transfer: Belt drive
- Precision-ground cast iron table
 - Table size: 17" x 17" x 111/2" thick Table tilt: 10° left, 45° right
 - Floor to table height: 371/2"
- Max. cutting height: 121/8"
- Blade size: 1311/2" long
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G0555LANV

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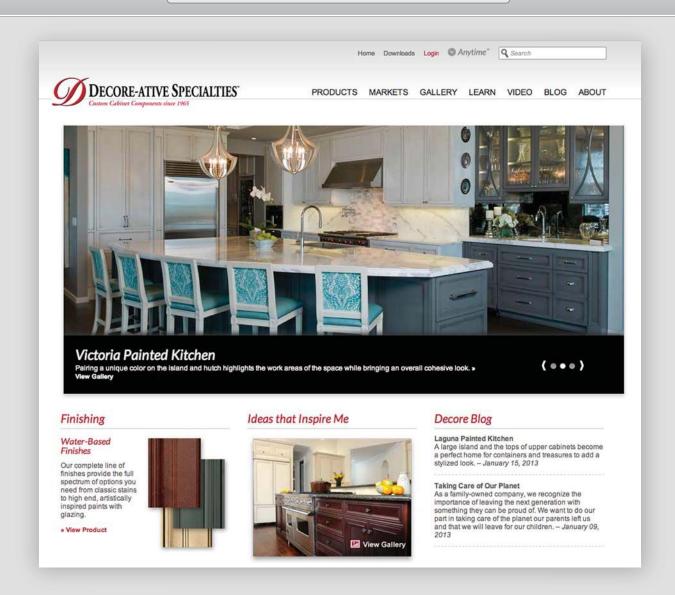


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Who needs an ink jet printer when a blow torch can do the job, especially when the job is to print on wood? Such is the base concept of FireWriter created by Lucien Langton of ECAL, a high-brow arts school in Lausanne, Switzerland.



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Euro Cabinets for U.S. Buyers?

Traveling wood products events hither and you last month, I was struck once again by the marked distinction in styles and preferences between continents and generations.

Cabinetry and furniture makers using largely the same equipment, hardware components and techniques in production serve markets with very different styles.

High Point (furniture) and KBIS (cabinetry) are distinctly American in design. European cabinetry and furnishings, as seen at the Milan show and at Interzum, are more out-of-the-box.

For Europeans, interior design and furnishings are more fashion-based, changing style each season. Bright colored, glossy cabinets featured at Interzum 2011, appeared in neutral grays and spare whites at Interzum 2013, with motorized doors and glowing color from plentiful LED lights.

What do Americans want? Designers say they are actually more venturesome than they have been given credit for. At KBIS, Northern Contours' design consultant Annette Wildenauer said the American consumer is ready for change. Wellborn Cabinets took an artful approach to integrating these evolving features into a post-modern take on traditional looks.

During the Stiles 2013 Executing Briefing Conference a stream of the conversation suggested it is in our business interests to move furniture and cabinet design to a more fashion-based approach. This also came up at a great presentation during the KCMA convention on generational preferences.





Bill Esler, Editor in Chief besler@vancepublishing.com



Ligna, Interzum Debuts



Readers commented on worker shortages; vertical panel saws that lift panels for bottom trims (see p.18); textured panel sources; and Lean Manufacturing webcast.

Not only Putsch introduced such a clamping system at the LIGNA show; Striebig (see p. 18) had two new models with a similar system as well. I guess both of them finally recognized that this is the most efficient way of cutting on a vertical panel saw. It is sad it took them seven years to develop such machines. ELCON introduced the technology at the 2007 LIGNA show with the Advance and Advance Quadra models. [ELCON saws are available at Adwood.-Ed.]

Rudolf Stockinger, Adwood Corp., High Point, NC

Re: KML Textured Panels: Can you name some locations or distribuitors" in my area in the Pacific Norhwest? [KML is in Tacoma, WA. Call 888-358-5075.]

Scorpiojesus@yahoo.com Seattle, WA

Re: Lean Manufacturing Webcast: I am helping my wife run a woodworking business. The webcast is very informative and while I am a Kanban believer, there certainly is something that I learned in this webcast. More power and thanks. [Watch it at woodworkingnetwork.com/ Ding Villanueva Ding Villanueva, via Kampyle Survey

Comment on Video "How the French Build Kitchen Islands" (watch it with the QR code]: It was interesting to see how our woodworking brethren construct kitchen islands in France. He had an impressive lumber supply on hand. Once you are familiar with decimal diminsions, the metric measurement becomes simple, no fractions or complex calculations.

Interested reader, via Kampyle Survey

Re: Where to find Woodworkers (April 2013 CWB magazine) Your article was just what I needed to hear. We have been looking for a seasoned woodworker for three weeks. Our company was a small woodshop for residential years ago, and expanded overnight. Labor shortages in the industry make our jobs very difficult...almost like a snowball effect. Thanks for your perspective.

Tara Palazzotto~Helms, Operations Dir.,
McGrew Architectural Woodwork, Columbia, SC



"I've been surrounded by woodworking since I was a kid. I turned making furniture into a livelihood because it was the only thing I absolutely loved doing. Building furniture is part of who I am, and it's crucial that I feel confident every piece was done to the best of my ability. Having the best tool for the job gives me the opportunity to focus on other things with my business, the things I don't control. The efficiency and reliability Festool provides is something that I've grown to depend on. My success depends on the quality of furniture I build, and I can't take chances with the tools I use."

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Motor phase:

Type

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14-60 FPM

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71½" H

3-phase

6'

14"

3/16"

Motor phase:

Type:

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- Max. board width: 24"
- Max. board thickness: 6'
- Min. board length: 12"
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24"

H2933

230V/460V*

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1/4 HP, TEFC

2554 FPM

14-60 FPM

25" W x 60"

711/5" H

3-phase

6"

14"

3/161



15-49 FPM

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G0571

Platen

1 HP

1/3 HP

14"

1/8"



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1/4 HP, TEFC

3543 FPM

2565 FPM

14-60 FPM

43" W x 60"

72½" H

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3-phase

6'

14"

3/16"



43" (TALL)

230V/460V*

3-phase

6'

11"

3/16"

2 HP, TEFC

1/4 HP, TEFC

3543 FPM

2565 FPM

14-60 FPM

43" W x 75"

79" H

3545 lbs.

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24" WIDE-BELT SANDERS

Single Drum Platen

G9962ZX

3-phase

1 HP

1/4 HP

6"

10"





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• Sanding motor HP:

Sanding motor voltage:

Sanding motor phase:

Conveyor motor HP:

• Table lift motor HP:

Min. board lenath:

· Conveyor speed:

Overall height:

Sanding belt sizet:

Approx. shipping wt.:

Min board thickness:

Rear drum surface speed:

• Front drum surface speed: 3543 FPM

Max. board thickness:

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- Belt feed motor: 2 HP
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- Drum speed: 2200 FPM
- Approx. shipping wt.: 2490 lbs.





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- Depth of cut: 35/16" @ 90°, 23/8" @ 45°
- Scoring blade size: 43/4"
- Scoring blade arbor: 20mm
- Scoring blade arbor speed: 8000 RPM
- Scoring blade tilt: 0-45°
- Sliding table size: 126" x 14"
- Approx. shipping weight: 1468 lbs.



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- Scoring blade size: 4¾" (120mm) Scoring blade arbor: 20mm
- Scoring blade tilt: $0-45^{\circ}$
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Forging Iron Into Wood

A forming technique adds a design touch without fiery metal scorching cherry wood.

By Cathy Zacci, West VA Commerce Dept.

att Thomas mixes blacksmithing and woodworking at ThomaslWorks, his 950-squarefoot studio in Schock, WV, where he fabricates contoured cherry wood home furnishings inlaid with hand-forged iron.

On one piece, curving iron vines adorn the sharp angles and austere lines of a cherry wood bench. Blending wood and iron in functional beauty, Thomas forges like a blacksmith, with hammer, fire and anvil.

"Bending iron requires a temperature in excess of 2,000 degrees. Obviously, heat this intense would scorch wood," says Thomas. "With each piece of wood furniture that re-

quires ironwork, I have to make a prototype in steel first. Wrapping an iron vine around a wooden leg requires a metal 'stunt double.'"

To fabricate twisting, climbing vines, Thomas creates metal table legs identical to the wood legs. He takes the metal vine hot off the forge and, while it is still malleable, forms it around the metal leg. When it cools, he removes the vine from the metal leg and installs it on the wooden piece.

Thomas refined his production process to a tight sequence of steps, using specialized jigs with dedicated machines.

"My woodworking business is very production oriented," he said. "With my wholesale

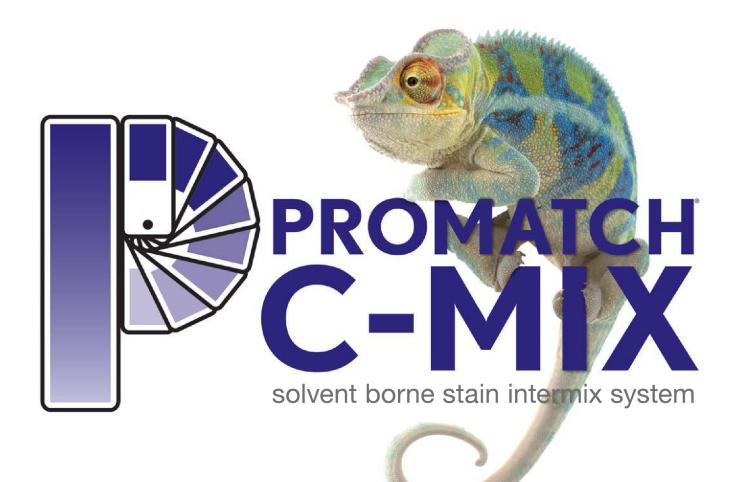
product line, I know precisely how much money I have in materials and how many minutes it takes me to make each piece. While it may be monotonous to complete 100 sushi sets at a time, I enjoy the dependable source of income they represent."

Thomas recently developed 200 media kits. Aided by West Virginia Depts. of Commerce and Agriculture grants, he exhibited at the Buyers Market of American Craft. Now, ThomaslWork pieces are found in art galler-

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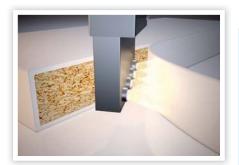
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Fish Laminate

COLOGNE, GERMANY — Embossed panels, textured veneers, distressed lumber, and fabric on board laminates - plus inventive hardware - were among 42 winners of the 2013 Interzum award: for intelligent material & design.

Notable: A "cuticula" product line that uses real salmon skin as a surface finish for core materials. Möbelfabrik Denkinger. Wehingen, Germany used a computeraided process specially developed, which allows an intersection that runs exactly along the line of the scales.





Plasma Retrofits: Seamless Joints

HANNOVER, GERMANY — The Plasma energy head is visible behind the edgeband material on this retrofit system, shown at Ligna 2013, from Plasmatreat, which also has developed systems for wood products manufacture, and showed updated versions at Ligna: one for zero joints in edgebanding and another for surface lamination in panel processing and furniture surfaces. Plasmatreat's version was developed jointly with Karl W. Niemann GmbH & Co.



Pinhole Startup

Woodworker Elvis Halilovic has been making lensless pinhole cameras for over seven years through his brand ONDU, who unveiled a series of pinhole cameras made from wood and held together by strong magnets.

Halilovic makes all the wooden parts of the cameras, but some parts, like the actual pinhole, require precise CNC machining. The wood from which the cameras are made must be carpentry-quality, with no defects and a suitable moisture content to

minimize the movement of the wood. For these reasons, and in order for the camera to be financially feasible, Halilovic must order the parts in bulk. To aid in the production of these unique cameras, Halilovic and ONDU have started a campaign on the website Kickstarter, which provides tools to raise funds for creative projects via crowd funding.

The lensless film cameras are completely manual, relying on direct exposure of light to film. The cameras come in six different dimensions and film sizes.

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New Breed of Woodshops

A feature series finds woodwork innovators use technology and do it themselves.

By Bill Esler

ome cabinetmakers loathe IKEA cabinets. But for John McDonald, a Los Angeles scriptwriter turned woodsmith, IKEA spawned a business. Semihandmade.com makes high-end custom doors and drawer fronts, fine veneer panels and reclaimed wood, drilled to match IKEA specs. McDonald drew crowds at New York's ICFF furniture show in May.

Likewise, New York architects Alex Miller

and Jeff Taylor, dreamed up a new way to cram more use out of a small space. Their innovation? Use stripped down hardware from big hand-cranked media file shelves, and build out collapsible office cubes that ride on rails to nest, or expand, for multiuse areas. Their challenge: buying the hardware. "They could hardly understand why we would want the rolling carcasses," says Taylor. Instead of hiring a custom woodworker, they built the new line for their first client, in their own woodwork fabrication shop outside the city. "The millwork isn't highly complex; it's so much easier for us to do it ourselves," Taylor says.

These entrepreneurs need production control. Happy Owl Studio, Denver, cut wood for the first time in the launch of the Cashbox cabinet for iPad cash registers. It is produced in San Diego at leased space





in Makerplace, a 14,000-sq.ft. public workshop complete with CNC router.

Perhaps the most prominent wood products innovator is Patrick Buckley, creator, co-founder, and CEO of DODOcase. Envisioning demand in 2009 for a wood iPad case with bound on cover, Buckley took classes at TechShop, a chain of public access workshops, where he ran a CNC, then hired a bookbinder to glue on covers.

"It is important to us to be able to make improvements to our product quickly," Buckley says, and "to launch new products quickly as Apple or Google release new tablets and phones. We can usually be in production in 1-2 days." DODO case has added an Scm CNC and now employs 40.

DODOcase's CNC operations will be featured in July 2013 CWB. See more online.



Hand-cut Metal **Laminate**

By Bill Esler

Handcrafted metal laminates in its Metal-Art line were launched by Lamin-Art at GlobalShop 2013, the retail interiors show held in Chicago in May. The collection features large-scale, three-dimensional designs that carry an artisan touch - since the original patterns are cut by hand before being transferred to the embossing cylinder.

Each sheet of Metal-Art is produced by hotpressing a sheet of real metal onto impregnated kraft paper. The result is a dimensional metallic decorative surface, which can be applied using the same tools, substrates and adhesives as highpressure decorative laminates.

"It was not easy to manufacturer," Dan Krog, president of Lamin-Art, said during an interview at GlobalShop. "It's something we have been working on for two years." Krog has been a driving force behind Chicago-based Lamin-Art since he bought the division from a larger conglomerate in 1982. Lamin-Art remains the only privately held supplier of decorative laminates in North America.

"Because we are the size we are, we have been able to do custom development," Krog says. "We don't have levels of bureaucracy." One notable project was a custom run for doors for 3,000 rooms at the MGM Grand Hotel in Las Vegas. Another was the creation of a laminate made from coffee bean bag burlap for Starbucks. "That's another one that took two years," Krog notes. The project was initiated by Starbucks. "Our customers inspire us," he says. Krog sees a trends toward textured surfaces pretty consistently throughout all market regions, though colorations will vary locally.

The latest collection is comprised of five unique designs, complemented by classic brushed metals, all available in four colorations for a total of 24 Metal-Art surfaces.

Each design is available in four traditional metallic colorations: brushed aluminum, brushed stainless, brushed champagne and brushed bronze. Designers Hans Mutzke and Virginie Boucher planned the designs to seamLamin-Art's latest metal laminates are embossed from hand-cut patterns, lending an individualized character.



The design for Axies, he notes, was inspired by the Beijing Bird's Nest Olympic Stadium.

Krog says Lamin-Art is small enough to develop custom materials for clients. Metal-Art designs come in 4'x10' sheets, and are ideal for office, hospitality, retail, healthcare/assisted living and educational interiors.

"This breakthrough collection answers the call from interior designers and architects for new ideas and materials," says Hans Mutzke, Lamin-Art's design director. Three of the five large-scale, dimensional patterns are:

Waves: A flowing surface reminiscent of the

timeless fluidity of rippling water or the sensuality of undulating sand dunes.

Axis: Inspired by avant-garde angularity, proactive lines intersect and converge at all angles.

Striations: A dynamic surface of linear three-dimensionality offering an illusion of spontaneous movement.



Lamin-Art's microsite details the newest line in Metal-Art: laminart.com/metalart/

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One Button CNC Tool Interface

By Bill Esler

To get the most from a CNC, G-code should be adapted to the machine's specific configuration. Here's an application to simplify that.



To get the most from a CNC machine,

software needs to be tailored to the machine's configuration, and the specific toolsets being used on projects, using G-code. But navigating and updating tables can be bewildering.

So KCD has introduced One-Button CNC machining software with a user interface it says greatly simplifies set-up and operation. With the system, a tool library is accompanied with visual illustrations that allow the user to select manufacturing tools and input specific tool measurements and sizes. By selecting inches or millimeters, and checking measurements visually, errors are greatly reduced, says KCD, as is set-up time.

"It communicates to the machine in the easiest possible way," says KCD's Ken Frye. "If you want to do something new, and you need to assign information about which tools to use, how fast to spin, whether to run clockwise or counterclockwise, One-Button provides simple commands for set up."

If a tool has been sharpened, "You can go to that tool and even though it's a quarter-inch

bit, you can define it as smaller because you have had it sharpened."

KCD coordinates sample G-code for new and existing CNC machines and helps customers set-up their favorite building methods within the software.

One-Button CNC machining is so visually intuitive for project designers, it eliminates the need for training courses, Frye says. Jim McAsey of M&M Cabinets in Shorewood, IL, has been using KCD software since adding an Anderson CNC in 2006. It now has the One-Button application.

"KCD has simplified the process," says McAsey, whose five-person shop handles high-end kitchen remodeling and custom furniture building. "We are always confident the pieces will be cut correctly."



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Panel Saws Also Trim at Bottom

Ligna, the May 2013 wood machinery show in Germany, saw two new panel saws – from Putsch (covered previously) and Streibig – that use clamping systems to lift and trim the bottom, so no more manual rotation.

The Streibig 4D performs horizontal and vertical workpiece movement automatically, allowing one-person operation. A PAV panel lowering device allows for the bottom cut. PAV clamps are coated to avoid damage to sensitive panel surfaces. Clamps on each lowering device can hold weights up to 130 kg, or 230 lbs.

The PPS programmable panel feeder – managed through a 12" touch-screen control – handles cutting sequence and optimizes panel yield. It also manages sawing, profile cutting and grooving tools. PPS also oversees horizontal movement of the panel. The 4D can also achieve a cutting depth of up to 5" (130 mm).

Colonial Saw already sells Streibig's 4SB for Streibig's Evolution and Control vertical panel saws. It uses a pneumatic lifter for edge trimming on all four sides, without turning.

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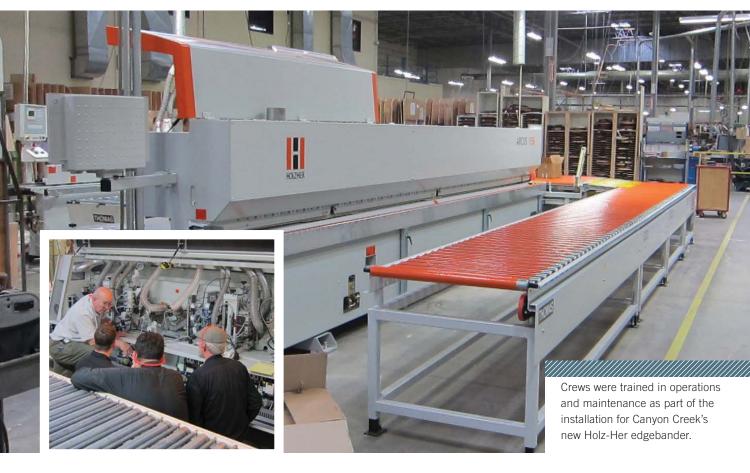


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Canyon Creek's Added Edge

Cabinet and closet manufacturer gears up for growing demand.

By Bill Esler

anyon Creek Cabinet Company, located in Monroe, WA, manufactures custom frameless and framed style cabinetry for designers, builders and a select network of dealers in the Northeast and Western U.S.

Canyon Creek was named among the top 20 manufacturers by the Association of Washington Businesses. Doug Chadwick, executive VP for Canyon Creek, said, "It's very rewarding to see and hear about the companies who have put so much effort into making improvements and adjustments, and despite tough times, have kept pushing ahead."

Throughout the downturn, Canyon Creek has innovated. In 2009, it introduced the Canyon Creek Closets Plus line of custom cabinetry and closet storage systems. In 2010, Canyon Creek launched Newcastle framed cabinetry, and in 2011, Katana frameless cabinetry.

Dealers include woodshops like Lone Pine Custom Millworks in Pagosa Springs, CO; JT LTD., Custom Woodworking, Exton, PA; plus contractors, interior designers and architects.

Maintaining its ISO 9001 certification since 2003, Canyon Creek continues on its path towards quality improvement and lean

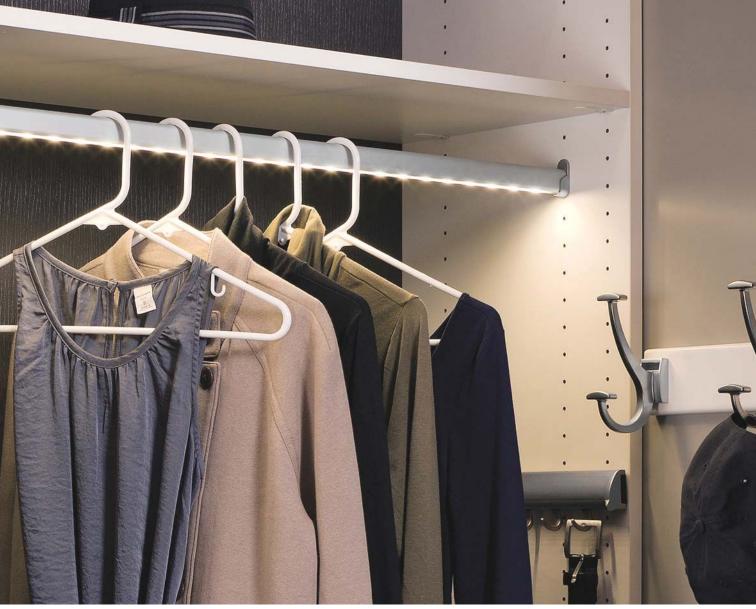
operations, recently adding a new, fully automated Holz-Her edgebander.

Measuring 22-1/2' long by nearly 4' wide, the Holz-Her applies 1mm to 3mm edge tapes. Canyon Creek says the new bander has boosted productivity and accuracy, running at 18 meters/minute. It includes a return line for multiple passes of workpieces. Software-based controllers automate set-up and changeover.

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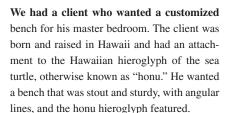
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Hawaiian Style **Adds Flair** to Bench

Honu, the Hawaiian hieroglyph of a sea turtle, was the focal point of this custom alder, angular bench.

By Jared Patchin, J Alexander Fine Woodworking, Boise, ID



The bench, built of alder, is 48" long, 13" wide, and 24" high, a bit higher than normal, but since our client was taller than the average person, it worked out perfectly.

We began by milling and gluing the bench top and the leg assemblies. The leg assembly was made up of five pieces; two legs at 2.25" square, two stringers at 1.75" square, and a solid panel at 0.75" thick.

The pieces were assembled using mortise and tenon joints and dados for the central panel. The legs have a 6.5° angle to add a bit of flair to a simple design.

We tackled the turtle cut-out by searching online for a usable image. We then resized it, printed it, cut it out, traced it onto the panel, then had it cut out using a scroll saw.

We then attached the leg assembly to the underside of the top using two mortise and tenon joints. The leg assembly is also angled out by 6.5°, which really adds to the overall

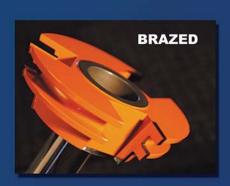
After we routed the four mortises for the central stringer, we glued and clamped everything up overnight. The next morning we



removed all the clamps and were rewarded with a rock-solid bench.

After applying a rich red-brown stain to the entire bench, and staining the turtle cut-outs with black dye, ensuring that the natural shadow lines would really stand out, we sprayed on three coats of semi-gloss lacquer.

See step-by-step slides: Woodworking Network.com/wood-blogs/jared-patchin







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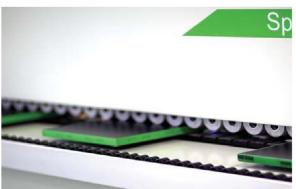
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Fixing Runs in Catalyzed Finishes

In using two kinds of acetate to repair runs (and sags) in catalyzed wood finishes, the goal is to re-wet the surface just enough to flow into the surrounding area.

By Bernie Bottens

If you get a run in catalyzed varnish, here's some tips on fixing it from by Kevin Kamberg: Always shave off as much of the run or sag as you can. A veneer scraper works very well, but a single-sided razor blade (the thinner the blade the better) works well enough. Use the blade to pull off shavings by holding the blade at about 80 degrees, the cutting edge trailing the edge being held, and begin dragging it across the run or sag, trying to keep that spot in the middle of the blade so that the surrounding level surface acts as a guide.

Remove as much as possible and then either dry sand or wet sand the remainder. You'd think that a sanding block would help, but the edges often gouge too deeply. Use finger pressure to localize the sanding to just the run/sag and the immediately surrounding area: 320 grit is best; 220 can work but it's easy to burn through the lacquer, while 400 grit and finer can leave a polished surface that doesn't resemble the surrounding finish.

The next step in the repair is to use a blend of solvents (I prefer MEKCAS No. 78-93-3, but Acetone 67-64-1works too) combined with a lacquer retarder (I'm fond of P.M. Acetate 108-65-6, but others may work just as well). I mist over the repaired surface, using multiple light coats to slowly "sneak up" on the repair. The goal is to re-wet the surface



just enough to flow the repaired area back into the surrounding area. Ratio-wise, 25% MEK and 75% P.M.Acetate will work well on almost all occasions. Using this minimalist approach also helps keep the flatting agent in the lacquer in an appropriate solution so that the repair looks like the surrounding lacquer. Woodworking Network.com/wood-blogs

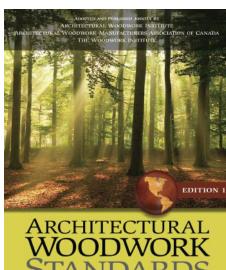
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Chip Yawney, A Cut Above, Jessup, MD

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While we chatted, I asked if they'd spoken to the general contractor who did their renovation back when we built the library. It turns out they had a "falling out" with the contractor and haven't spoken with him in awhile. Some of his work did not turn out very well and there were issues with the quality in several of the projects.

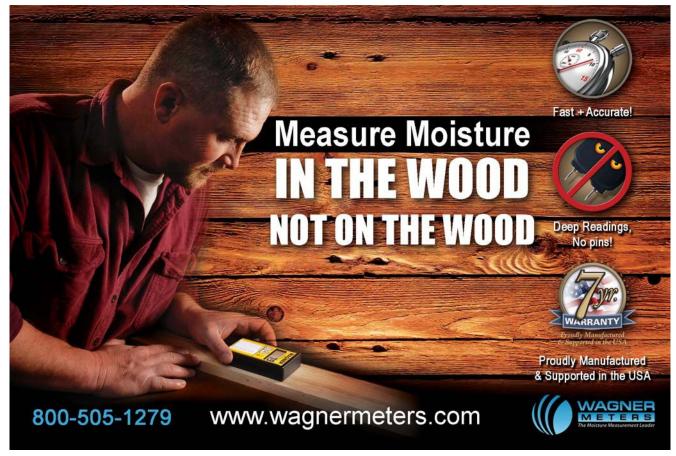
It occurred to me that I hear this sort of thing from clients all the time. I'm quite happy that A Cut Above has developed a reputation of delivering high-quality built-ins and providing excellent customer service. However, it concerns me that there are so many other contractors, in a variety of trades, that regularly disappoint their customers. On the front end of the sales process, we have to overcome the client's preconceived notion that

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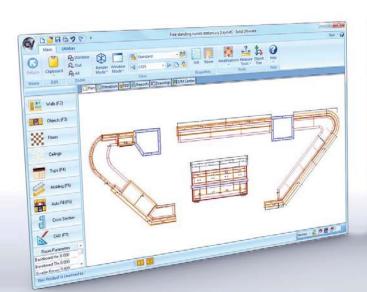
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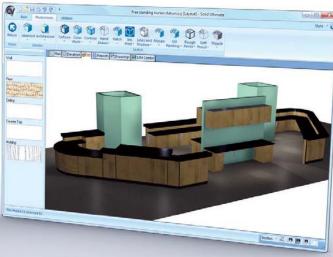
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Sawdust Collection

Health and safety are key concerns in sawdust collection. But so is productivity.

By Bill Esler

awdust is any busy woodshop's constant concern, a threat to health and safety, but also to productivity. Pulling or blowing sawdust from the cutting blade's point of contact is as important as keeping ambient dust out of the work room air space. Reducing floating particles in general reduces the likelihood of contami-

nation of finishing activities as well.

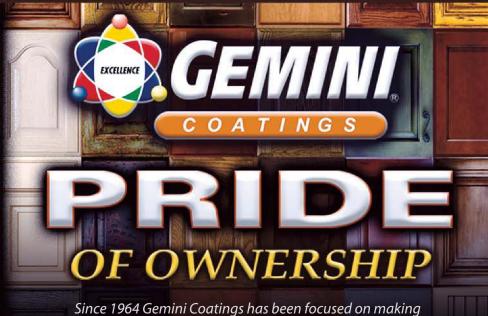
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a properly designed dust collection system; be able to survey their dust collection requirements and size the capacity of their system; identify the main components of a system and differentiate between the types of filtration and source capture technologies; specify and configure their system to meet the NFPA standards for combustible dust safety; and develop a maintenance

program to ensure their system is operating to original design specifications.

Simply defined, combustible dusts are fine particles that present an explosion hazard when suspended in air under certain conditions, according to OSHA. But it is not a simple matter. This seminar will go into detail explaining exactly what combustible wood dust is and talk about who

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is in charge of combustible dust issues at the shop level and within government and discuss the applicable voluntary consensus standards. Can it really happen in a woodworking facility? Gain invaluable knowledge on how to prevent an explosion and tips to mitigate an impact of an OSHA inspection related to combustible dust

Underscoring the importance of dust collection, 19 AWFS Fair exhibitors are listed under dust control. From filter bags to flexible hosing and curtains, these companies will present the latest technology in dust collection.

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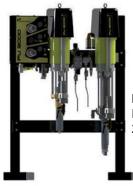
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It's the hottest wood show on earth, literally, but that's part of the fun!

By Sean Lechowicz

as Vegas – From July 24-27 at the Las Vegas Convention Center, custom woodworkers from all walks will gather at AWFS Fair, the Association of Woodworking and Furnishing Suppliers sponsored convention where attendees not only get a glimpse of all the new goodies the industry has to offer, but they also get to experience trade specific seminars and entertainment events, like the annual belt sander races, appearance of star woodworking personalities (e.g., Tommy Mac, Corbin Clay, Jared Patchin), and banquets and awards events. Custom-

Made.com CEO Mike Salguero will lead

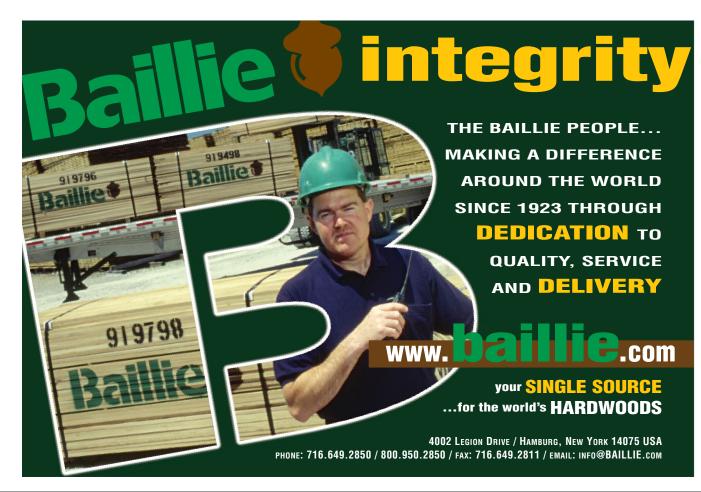
a dialog about web-based tools and social media marketing strategy.

"With pre-registration up approximately 20 percent from 2011 – and a projected 500 exhibitors thus far – this year's AWFS Fair reflects the resurgence of productivity and profitability in the woodworking industry," says AWFS executive VP Angelo Gangone. "The general tone of the woodworking industry is better than it has been in over two years."

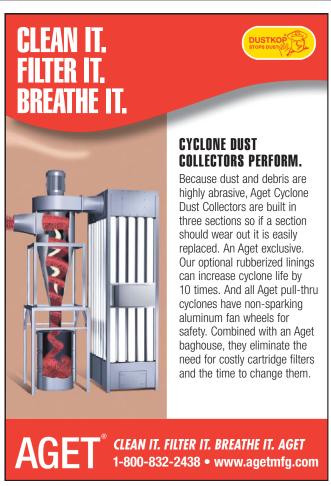
While all the staples attendees and exhibitors have come to expect will be present at AWFS Fair, there's no shortage of new features and enhancements.

The most visible change is the combined machinery and supply halls. The new floor plan for the Central Hall is designed to improve foot traffic and make it easier for attendees to move from equipment to supplies.

"The layout is so much better than it's ever been since we put everything into one hall," says Gangone. "Surprisingly, this makes everything expanded. Attendees will be able to see more wood products than they did at the last show, which is great because some of our exhibitors have expanded." This shows an increased confidence in the market, says Gangone.













Show | AWFS

Enhanced since the last show is include the smartSHOP, a fully operational cabinet shop for general woodworkers who want to move up from manual to automated function, which returns with the addition of panel and solid wood processing.

Even the popular BSRA National belt sander races will receive an upgrade. Held July 25 at 4:00 in Booth #9746, the event will feature the traditional race competition, but also a Crash and Smash Demolition Derby.

New product awards get a facelift as well, along with a name change. The former Sequoia Awards are now the **AWFS Visionary New Product Awards**. On the name change, Gangone says, "We're looking to honor people who are going to make products that have a positive and long lasting influence on the industry. Whether it's on the supply side or the equipment side, it doesn't matter. Vision is applicable to all products." Finalists will be selected prior to the event by a panel of woodworking manufacturing professionals.

A new Visionary Award will be unveiled, designed by AWFS board member Archie Thompson, featuring many visionaries in the field, dating all the way back to the Renaissance. Details are being kept under wraps, but it is known that the award won't be made from wood.

The AWFS Fair continues to host several student programs to expose the talents of our future generation. Most prominent is the return of the Fresh Wood student design competition.

Consisting of over 100 entries, the Fresh Wood project honors students from leading high schools and post-secondary woodworking programs in North America. Selection of the winners in each category, along with Best of Show and People's Choice, will be announced on July 26 during the show.

Education Focus

The AWFS Fair again offers an extensive educational program, with eight tracks and 50 sessions as part of its AWFS College of Woodworking Knowledge. Tracks are targeted for different segments – production and custom woodworking – and include: Business Management, Cabinet/Millwork, Small Shops Ten & Under, Software & Tech-

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AWFS 2013 At-a-Glance Dates: July 24-27 Location: Las Vegas Convention Center Hours: Wednesday-Friday, 9:00-5:00; Saturday, 9:00-3:00

Convention Center

Exhibitors: Approximately 500

nology, Techniques & Applications, Safety & Environment, Handcrafted Furniture; and a special Teacher Track.

"The most effective ways we target [production versus custom woodworkers] is with some of the different seminars, whether it has to do with the production process or business element within that," said Nancy Fister, AWFS Education and Conference director. Additional information on the seminar programs can be found at AWFSFair.org.

As part of the education services, Continuing Education Units will once again be offered and certificates can be printed on site. The goal is to increase exposure to the CEU program since very few attendees have taken advantage of it in past years, Fister said.

"All they have to do is step out into the hallway where we have a special area set up for registration, and they can scan their badge and it will pop out a certificate right there, it's as easy as that," said Fister. "We have a growing number of teachers attending the show, so awareness and accessibility for the CEU offerings means a lot to them."

WoodworkingNetwork at AWFS 2013

Custom Woodworking Business publishes the AWFS Fair Show Daily, and CWB personalities will be all over the show.

- Popular woodworking bloggist Jared Patchin does exhibitor video interviews daily. (Info at Ididier@vance publishing. com.)
- Editor-at-large **Rich Christianson** presents **Intro to Closets** (with Dave Skinner, ACSP) 11:00 a.m., Thursday, July 25
- Publisher Laurel Didier hosts "Women in Woodworking: What's Your Story?"
 Noon, Thursday, July 25 AWFS Theater.
- Wood Products editor Karen Koenig moderates Smart Marketing 11:00 a.m. Friday, Friday, July 26.
- CWB editor **Bill Esler** presents *Amazing Woodworking Stories*, Noon, Friday, July 26.
- **Corbin Clay**, featured at *CWB*'s Cabinets & Clsoets Expo 2013 and in the February issue, will make guest appearances at several exhibitor booths.

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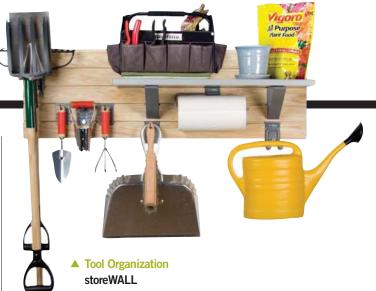


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AWFS 2013

Included in this product spotlight are suppliers and vendors exhibiting at the biennial woodworking fair, which will be held July 24-27 in Las Vegas, NV, at the convention center.



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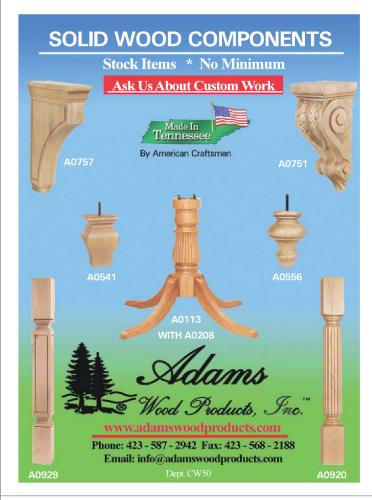






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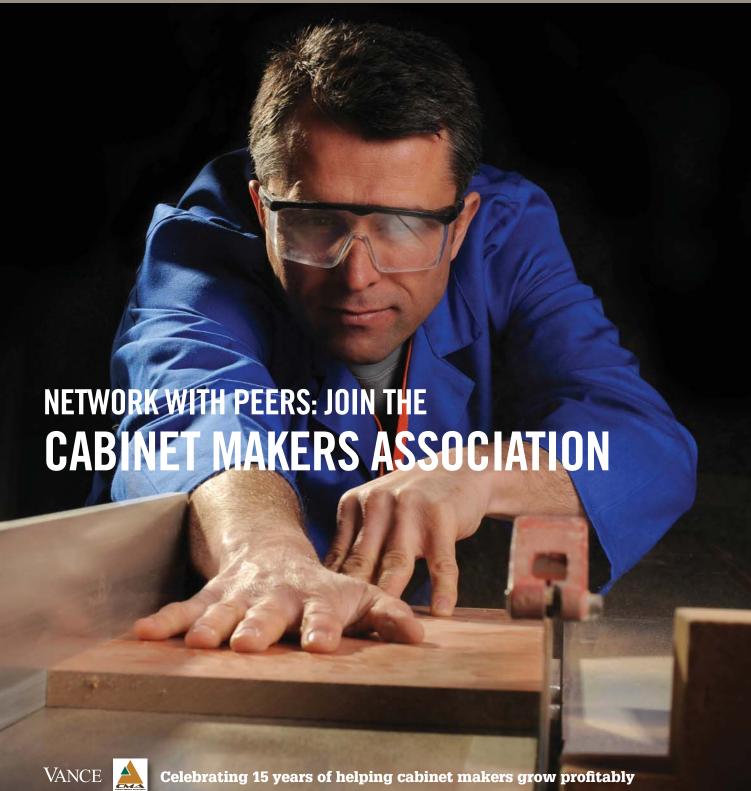
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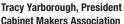
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Dave Grulke, Executive Director Cabinet Makers Association

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Celebrating 15 Years of **Helping Cabinet Makers** by Helping Each Other

The Cabinet Makers Association is a professional organization began in 1998 with the idea that networking and the power of peers could help member companies grow profitably. The CMA has since expanded to include hundreds of small- and medium-sized cabinet shops, millworkers, furniture makers and their suppliers throughout North America from both the residential and commercial markets.

Through shared experience, CMA members educate themselves and clients, with a goal of ensuring profitable work and success for all members, now and into the future. The CMA believes that working together is the best way to improve individual companies and the industry as a whole.

The CMA launched its Professional Certification Program in 2012, designed to formally teach best practices and explore time-tested management techniques in nearly every facet within a custom woodworking enterprise. Shop owners and managers will have the tools and knowledge to own and operate an ethical, sustainable and profitable woodworking business upon successful completion of the program.

This special publication details the numerous benefits of being connected with fellow woodworkers.





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CMA RELAUNCHES WEBSITE

Valuable changes and familiar features at cabinetmakers.org.

By Wade Vonasek

Cabinetmakers.org was relaunched in March 2013 in order to provide a portal to familiar CMA services and even more value to value to Cabinet Maker Association members. The website is a well-established online destination for custom woodworkers seeking business advice and peer-to-peer connections.

The home page has been simplified, setting the tone for the reconfigured site and providing destination channels for high-traffic visitors among four groups:

consumers, contractors, students and educators, as well as the CMA's core constituency, custom cabinet makers.

"Our research found that most of our site traffic was from people interested in buying from custom cabinet makers," says Dave Grulke, executive director of the CMA. "We decided to leverage that traffic a bit more, expanding our "Find a Cabinet Maker" widget into full channels that serve the needs of prospective customers, driving business to our members."

The website, which spanned over 2 years in the making, has culminated in a ground up rebuilding of the CMA's online presence, and is now open for business. The site has retained its most popular features dedicated to CMA members, including the Forums, Membership Services, plus sections about the Professional Certification Program and Events, including registration for education and networking events.

"When we began this process, we knew the way people use the web had dramatically changed from the time we launched our old site," Dave Grulke, the CMA Executive Director said. "Therefore, our efforts were focused to design and implement not only a brand new look, but to integrate functions and features our members wanted with an eye to the future for needs, expectations and desires of other constituents we serve in our part of the woodworking industry."

Upon entering the new site, cabinetmakers.org, the intro page directs the visitor to select from one of four categories- Homeowners/Contractors. Cabinet/Woodshop Owners, Woodworking Suppliers and Students/Educators. Once a selection is made, the visitor is then directed to menus for features, pages and articles of the website that would be of the most interest to them.

Other features built into the CMA's new online home include:

- Information about the CMA, its history, people and a number of its programs are found in the **About** drop down menu.
- A new and upgraded **Shop Finder** pin points the locations of CMA general members in a radius from a zip/postal code or from a city and state/province pair in the US and Canada.
- Industry news and member press releases are included in searchable full

article formats. Most of these items are included in the CMA monthly e-newsletter. and a link to sign up for a complimentary subscription is included on many of the web pages. These pages are dynamic with new content being added each week, so we hope you'll visit often.

- CMA events, and featured member galleries are shown in both photo and video formats in the **Photo Galleries** section.
- An event listing and calendar shows upcoming events, along with integration to register for CMA events built into the site.
- Associate member listings are categorized by type of business and hyperlink to their individual websites. The same hyperlink feature is true of the **Industry Links** section.
- The Job Board is a self-service classified ad section offering categories for those seeking employment or training, available positions, selling of machinery, tools and supplies, offering services to other woodworkers or the general public and the like. CMA members get free ad posting privileges, while non-member ads are available at nominal rates.
- Online member applications are available for both General Members and Associate Members, and the site features a Make a Payment widget for CMA invoices or payments in a secured page for credit card transactions.
- The private side of the site includes the CMA's popular member forum and other member-only kinds of information. Dues paying members log into this part of the website with secure passwords. This is the place where members connect between face to face events and meetings to share their thoughts and challenges, and to learn from each other.
- The Online Education section is where the CMA will be announcing in person live educational events and holding live and recorded class sessions for the CMA's Professional Certification program. Classes for online instruction are now being finalized to be uploaded there in the near

The existing web address will bring visitors to the new cabinetmakers.org.



CMA Forums: Secret Sources

cabinetmakers.org/forums

CMA Forums deliver helpful advice, reliable and unvarnished equipment and supplies reviews, and secret sources for those unusual or infrequently ordered items.

Open to members only, the CMA Forums differ from other woodworking discussion boards in that they are open only to members. This keeps anonymous contributors from trashing competitor's equipment with unwarranted bad reviews, or hyping their own goods and services.

The Forum is particularly helpful for finding resources for things like curved cabinet glass, exotic veneers, or specialty substrates that may not be sourced on a regular basis.

A scan of recent CMA Forum discussions finds a hunt for plastic sheets by member Matt, with a response a few hours later from Ed suggesting a particular acrylic supplier, and asking others' experiences.

CMA Forums also allow posting of completed projects or work in progress, with questions posed on technique or design reviews. Discussions on handling smudges with wood fillers, door cope/stick set, shoe shelf spacing, side mount slide techniques and latches suggest their practical nature. cabinetmakers.org/forum.html



This signature CMA event is one you don't want to miss. The full faculty of presenters will facilitate a large-group forum, beginning with an overview of the session, and then break into small discussion groups on some topics vital to develop an ethical, sustainable...

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Cabinet Makers

Get CMA Credentials

The CMA's Professional Certification program offers participants a competitive advantage.

By Wade Vonasek

The Cabinet Makers Association Professional Certification program serves the cabinet making and custom woodworking industry. CMA credentials offer a competitive advantage for any cabinetry and millwork shop, custom woodworker or commercial interior firm by assuring clients that a company will reliably deliver jobs as promised. It certifies the individual, not the business or the products they make, and provides

the knowledge needed to own and operate an ethical, sustainable and profitable woodworking business.

The training in this unique program is both live and web-based, allowing wood industry professionals to earn basic and master-level professional certification credentials at their own pace. It also requires a commitment from enrollees to earn a minimum four hours per year of CMA con-

tinuing education units (CEUs) after they first enroll

The CMA's professional certification program is designed to provide in-depth education on management perspectives of running an entire custom woodworking business. Successful applicants come from a variety of roles in managing a woodworking enterprise (from the foreman level and upior managers and owners).



Applicable course work is now in excess of 50 hours of sessions at both the junior and master certification levels. While the CMA's certification program does not require attendance at any specific session, it does require that an enrollee pass testing at the end of each section. The knowledge needed to pass the test is contained in each class.

cation credentials.

Significantly, business ethics, an important value for customers, is woven deeply into all aspects of the curriculum. Topics taught at both levels include a variety of technical and business management classes, and are self-paced. An enrollee can take sessions at their convenience at the CMA's website, and attend any live in-person, live webinar or pre-recorded sessions they wish. All course and CEU class and study materials will be available for viewing 24/7/365 at the new CMA website.

Once an enrollee has passed required testing, they will also be interviewed by the CMA Certification Board, before their certification credentials are conferred. Basic level graduates exhibit advanced knowledge in the curriculum, while master level graduate show expert knowledge in at least seven areas of study offered. Certification is further broken into two specialties: Cabinet Maker and Custom Woodworker. Certified individuals are authorized to add the professional designation to their names. Certification includes a three letter acronym:

CCM = Certified Cabinet Maker

CCW = Certified Custom Woodworker

MCM = Master Cabinet Maker

MCW = Master Custom Woodworker

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CMA Benchmark

New CMA Survey

Scans Industry Trends

The CMA's 2013 Benchmark Study delves into what's driving sales growth.

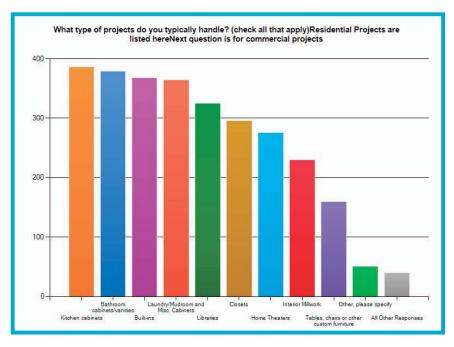
After the Cabinet Makers Association issued its first Benchmarking Survey last year, the response was overwhelming. The 2013 CMA Benchmarking Survey sets the second point for future trendlines.

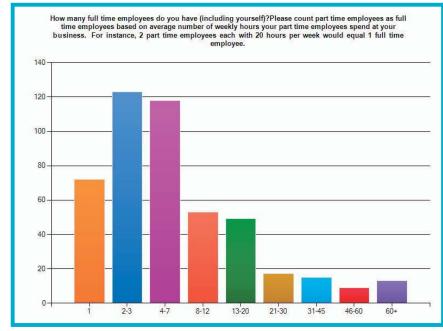
The second CMA Cabinet Industry Benchmarking Survey, fielded to CMA members and non-member cabinet makers during November 2012, is intended to document industry practices and provide better un-derstanding of what is driving sales growth for professional woodworkers. More than 500 respondents participated in the survey, with 12.5% being CMA members

Results show that with the uptick of activity in the housing market, two-thirds (67.4%) of cabinet makers and custom woodworkers report optimism for 2013. Survey participants were predominantly from smaller shops, with two-thirds (67.9%) representing shops with revenues of less than \$1 million; and nearly half (46.8%) working out of 5,000 square feet or less of space. Most (66.8%) employed fewer than 8 workers. Most respondents (70.7%) are the owners or senior officers of their companies; have over 15 years ex-perience (77.0%) and founded their busi-nesses (80.6%). Only one in four shops (24.9%) re-ported having a full or part-time resource dedicated to sales, with 15.7% employ-ing a full-time person (or persons).

HOW DO YOU STACK UP?

You can request a free copy of the full 25-page 2013 CMA Benchmark Study Report, along with a complimentary trial subscription to the CMA's monthly e-newsletter by visiting http://www.cabinetmakers.org/2013-benchmark-study-report/.





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CMA AT CABINET & CLOSETS CONFERENCE, AWFS

Networking and live education events bring opportunities.

By Wade Vonasek

Networking with peers and education — basic tenets of the Cabinet Makers Association's mission — becomes much easier at local CMA training sessions and at national tradeshows. Opportunities to interact with peers and share ideas and fellowship are closer than imagined.

CABINETS & CLOSETS CONFERENCE & EXPO

The CMA recently co-sponsored the Cabinets & Closets Conference & Expo, held February 27-March 1, 2013 in Edison, NJ, along with Custom Woodworking Business, ACPS and Closets. Participants came from 38 states and four Canadian provinces to attend the event.

The event formally opened on Feb. 28, with the full-day Cabinets & Closets Conference, starting with the general session. Keynote speaker Robert Reiss of The CEO Show, a nationally syndicated broadcast radio and TV interview-based program, shared stories and best practices gathered from interviewing CEOs of noted national and international companies over the last decade. A presentation of new research on the custom cabinet and closets markets

was given by Laurel Didier, group publisher of Woodworking Network. Findings from the study showed an upswing in activity within the woodworking industry, with a positive outlook for increased business in 2013 from most sectors and regions of North America, comparable to information found in the 2013 CMA Benchmark Study.

"The nation's economy and that of the cabinet and closet industry continue improving," said Rich Christianson, associate publisher of Woodworking Network and general manager of the event.

The conference then followed separate education tracks, one dedicated to custom cabinets led by the CMA and the other focusing on closets led by the ACSP. Educational sessions were given by the CMA and its speaker's bureau members during the rest of the day, featuring Sean Benetin, Rick Thaler, Kevin Ward and Executive Director Dave Grulke. All attendees in the CMA sessions earned CEU units that meet 100% of the requirements for 2013 continuing education in the CMA Professional Certification Program.

The second day saw the opening of the Expo at the New Jersey Convention and

Exposition Center. More than 80 exhibitors filled the expo hall with woodworking-related products. The CMA booth featured a lounge space for members to meet and network. Thursday evening, CMA members attended a free shop tour hosted by Wayne Adelkopf's Noble Woodworks in Staten Island, NY, and Friday brought an early bird breakfast and networking event hosted by Osborne Wood Products. The show closed Friday afternoon.

AWFS FAIR

The Cabinet Makers Association will hold its annual banquet, awards ceremony and signature round table event at AWFS Fair in Las Vegas on Thursday evening, July 21, 2013. According to Executive Director Dave Grulke, the CMA has not made a final determination on the banquet's location as of this time. Previous banquets have featured a brief program, a special awards presentation and roundtable discussions.

In addition, the CMA will hold it's popular *What's Your Problem?* event during the show, as well as launching the CMA Poker Run at AWFS. Stop at the CMA's booth, #9918, for full details. cabinetmakers.org/events.html

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CMA MEMBERSHIP BRINGS BENEFITS

Cabinet Maker Association has wealth of knowledge to share.

The Cabinet Makers Association assists residential and commercial cabinet makers and woodworkers to share hard-won knowledge and experience. The CMA members believe sharing knowledge will improve business for individual members and advance the industry as a whole. CMA Member Benefits far outweigh cost of membership fees:

- CMA Shop Finder consumers drop in their zip code to find the closest location
- Professional Certification verifies to clients you are a trustworthy woodworker
- Recognition Wood Diamond Awards celebrate the best in cabinetmaking
- Discussion Forums exclusive live chat and peer to peer networking online
- Discount registration at all trade shows: AWFS, IWF, NCC, CMA regional events, and national conferences.
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The Cabinet Makers Association was founded in 1988 by a group of custom cabinet makers to aid small- to mid-sized shops in networking and helping each other grow profitably. Since then, CMA has expanded to include hundreds of small- and medium-sized cabinet shops, millworkers, furniture makers and their suppliers throughout North America and the world.



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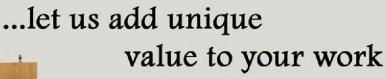
Tracy Yarborough of Maple River Woodworks, Coward, SC, was elected CMA President for 2013. Tracy has been a longstanding volunteer member of the CMA board. Also elected were Charles Kurak, CMA VP, of C. Kurak Custom Woodworking Inc., Amelia Island, FL. Charles has served as an at-large board member and as the CMA webmaster. Joe Knobbe, of Exclusive Woodworking, Waukegan, IL, and immediate past CMA President, will serve as CMA Secretary and returns as editor of PROfiles, CMA's quarterly magazine. Brian Dirks, CMA Treasurer, of Cabinet Designs LLC, Jamesport, MO, has served as an atlarge member of the CMA board and has worked on various board of directors projects on behalf of the CMA.

Also serving on the CMA volunteer Board of Directors as members-atlarge for 2012-13 are the following CMA members:

- David Buchsbaum, Beacon Custom Woodwork, Inc., Atlanta, GA
- **Scott Comstock**, Woodperfect Custom Cabinetry, Forney, TX
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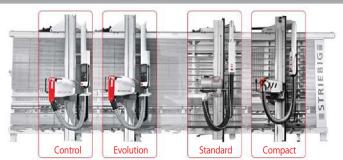












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◀ 4-D Adjustment Runners

Blum Inc.

Booth #4200

Blum's line of Tandem plus Blumotion runners feature 4-D adjustment, increased load capacity and better side stability, along with smooth running action and soft close. Tool-free, side-to-side adjustment in the locking device at the rear of the runner offers precise drawer gaps in inset applications, Blum says.

(800) 438-6788 Blum.com



▶ StandOff Systems

Gyford StandOff Systems

Gyford introduced its how-to installation video library. Clients can learn how to install standoffs like the ones in the image, among other Gyford products like rod and wire systems. The videos are a resource and updated with new ones every month. Clients can also browse photo galleries to get ideas and inspiration for their next project.

(775) 829-7272 StandOffSystems.com



■ Frame-Only and Multi-Lite Doors

Keystone Wood Specialties

Most cabinet doors by Keystone are available in both frame-only and multi-lite versions. Order directly from Keystone's catalog or supply a custom design. Options include selection of lipedge profile, framing bead, wood species and boring for hinges. Order them polish sanded, ready to finish, or pre-finished, ready to install. Choose from Keystone's standard finishes, or let their Finishing Department custom color match the order.

(800) 233-0289 keystonewood.com

Spray Gun SATA USA

Booth #6204

SATA offers the SATA Minijet 1000 k/h HVLP & RP spray gun. Available in both HVLP and RP atomization technology with nozzle sizes of 0.3, 0.5, 0.8, 1.2 & 1.4 (siphon), this lightweight spray gun is suitable for almost any coating viscosity and quality of finish.

(800) 533-8016 SATA.com



EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

Products

Cabinet Components

Decore-ative Specialties

STREAMLINE Cabinet Components can be ordered on Decore-ative Specialties' free, easy-to-use, online design software. Their simplified process provides users the ability to quote and order RTA frameless components, the company says. A variety of configurations, custom color edge banding, 3/4-in. cabinet materials, and 1/4-in. backs can be ordered.

(800) 729-7277 Decore.com

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Keystone Wood Specialties

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(800) 233-0289 keystonewood.com

Linear Motion Track System Accuride International

Booth #4849

Accuride's 115RC Linear Motion Track System features corrosion-resistant aluminum tracks and re-circulating ball carriages. The lightweight track is cut to length, or multiple sections are joined to extend the track to any distance. Tracks may be side, flat or vertically mounted. One or more carriages inserted into the tracks provide movement, guidance, or positioning for a variety of applications. (562) 903-0200, Accuride.com

Wood Components

Adams Wood Products

Adams produces a line of American made table and chair kits. These kits come ready to assemble with all hardware. All their kits are made from solid hardwoods and are available in a variety of species. Color catalogs are available.

(423) 587-2942 AdamsWoodProducts.com

Dust Collection Supplies

Air Handling Systems Inc.

Air Handling Systems releases its new Dust & Fume Collection 32-page catalog. Products featured include industrial grade fittings, spiral pipe and flexible hose. Air Handling Systems manufactures dust and fume collection components, and warehouses and distributes various flexible hoses, all for a variety of customers. (800) 367-3828 AirHand.com.

Centerless Caster

Doug Mockett & Co.

Booth #4440

Mockett says its new CA63 twin wheel, centerless caster offers great style and load bearing in a modern hubless design. It has a 250-lb dynamic load rating per caster – three times that of standard furniture casters – with a smooth and silent roll. Available in stem, plate or chair mount, the CA63 comes in black wheels with choice of inside circle color: black, gray, red or white. (800) 523-1269, Mockett.com

Fluted Pilaster

Osborne Wood Products

Booth #4809

Osborne says the 1-1/4" thick fluted pilaster is perfect for adding a custom touch without overstating the project. The pilaster is also versatile, and can be adorned with corbels, appliqués and carved onlays to add a perfect touch to your kitchen and bath design.

(800) 481-2307, OsborneProducts.com

Sliding Door Systems

Salice America

Booth #4401

Although the main focus is on coplanar sliding movements, Salice offers a complete line of sliding systems, vertical and horizontal, all compatible with multiple door solutions. The systems are designed around customer specifications and are customized according to the number of doors and the weight.

(800) 222 9652, SaliceAmerica.com

Downcut Spiral Bits

Vortex Tool Co. Inc.

Booth #7630

Vortex expands its XP "Xtreme Performance" Series of solid carbide tooling with the 1300XP Downcut Spiral and the 3400XP Compression Spiral with Chipbreakers. The 1300XP produces a clean top edge of a dado-type or groove-type cut or a simple through-cut where the bottom edge quality is not important.

(800) 355-7708, VortexTool.com

Briquette Presses

WEIMA America Inc.

Booth #7909

WEIMA offers a wide range of briquette presses to compact wood dust, shavings and chips, which it says often create a waste stream around the workplace. The machines help save costs on labor, disposal and storage, WEIMA says, and no glues or adhesives are used as a binding agent in the briquettes, resulting in a clean, reusable product. Heating options also are available for cool-weather environments. (888) 440-7170, WeimaAmerica.com

Replacement Knives

Southeast Tool Inc.

Booth #9815

Southeast Tool has added replacement knives for the Tersa and Terminus heads to its offerings. The knives are available in three different materials: high-speed steel, M42 steel and carbide. Lengths include sizes ranging from 60mm to 650mm long. (828) 324-2019, SoutheastTool.com

Software Interface

KCD Software

Booth #4247

KCD says going directly from custom cabinet and closet design to CNC machining just got faster with its One Button interface. Designers, builders and manufacturers will find it easy to use and understand, KCD says, without the need for training courses. The company also offers free technical support and setup assistance.

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Formaldehyde-Free Lacquer Chemcraft, AkzoNobel

Booth #4639

Chemcraft, a brand of AkzoNobel, offers AIR-GUARD Catalyzed Lacquer and AIRGUARD Conversion Varnish, two new formaldehyde-free products. The company says they can be used in place of standard materials, with no special processing needed. The new products meet KCMA standards and can be used to comply with LEED, IAQ and BIFMA indoor air standards for formaldehyde.

(336) 841-5111, Chemcraft.com

Custom Dovetailed Drawers

Drawer Connection

Booth #4463

Drawer Connection says its custom dovetailed drawers allow customers to streamline their production. The company says its dovetailed drawers offer high quality, meet AWI specifications and are FSC certified. Drawer Connection guarantees on-time deliveries and one-hour turnaround on quotes. Further information is available by phone or at the company's website.

(877) 917-4887, DCDrawers.com

Hingless Flap Fittings Hafele America

Booth #4422

Hafele offers the Free family of hingeless flap fittings. Utilizing the soft-close feature, the company says the Free 3677 for one-piece flaps will lock in any position, and has an opening angle of 90 or 100 degrees. It can be used with wood flaps or flaps with a 45mm aluminum frame.

(800) 423-3531, Hafele.com

Router Software

Mastercam/CNC Software

Booth #4601

CNC Software offers Mastercam X6 Router with capabilities including stock models, 64-bit support and 2D contour smoothing. Other features include: the ability to take .DWFx files from Autodesk; the OptiRest toolpath performs rest milling operations to remove remaining material with optimized

roughing motion; and a variable toolpath radius that automatically adjusts the toolpath radius in areas that are too narrow to fit into. (800) 228-2877, MastercamRouter.com

Dust Collector Retrofit

Oneida Air Systems Inc.

Booth #8439

Oneida says its new Super Dust Deputy can turn any single-stage collector into a super cyclonic dust collector. The Super Dust Deputy retrofits to single-stage 1/2-hp to 3-hp dust collectors and can separate up to 99%-plus of woodwaste before the filter, the company says. With a compact footprint, the system's dimensions are: height of approximately 27", inlet diameter of 5" O.D., and an outlet diameter of 6".

(800) 732-4065 Oneida-Air.com

Textured, Low-Sheen Doors Northern Contours

Booth #4002

Northern Contours offers the Canyon Family, a collection of three American-inspired materials added to its Impressions line of textured components. The finish coloration is varied and appeals to both vintage and refined design styles. Kings Canyon, Grand Canyon and Royal Canyon are available in both color-matched melamine components and membrane pressed 3D laminates. (866) 344-8132, NorthernContours.com

Durable Plastic Collection BagsBooth #4640

American Fabric Filter Co.

American Fabric Filter offers disposable plastic collection bags to fit most dust collectors including Delta, Grizzly, Jet, and other OEM manufacturers. These heavy-duty bags are 6 mil thick and come in two sizes: 21" diameter x 50" long and 24.5" diameter x 72" long, available in rolls of 50. (800) 367-3591 AmericanFabricFilter.

Expanded Ripping Capabilities

Baillie Lumber

Baillie has expanded its ripping capabilities,

allowing for the development of higher volumes and more customer specific solutions of full-to-width custom ripped strips. Baillie's ripped hardwood lumber program spans across their entire specie lines, grades, thicknesses and lengths available.

(800) 950-2850 baillie.com

Dovetail Drawers

CCF

CCF announces the addition of Dowel and Bore to its long line of custom dovetail drawers. Dowel and Bore will offer a clean design, at an economical price. As with everything from CCF, these drawers are custom and available in FSC material. Call CCF for pricing or use its new online quoting for a real-time quote.

(800) 581-3683 ccfdrawers.com

Insert Tooling

Charles G. G. Schmidt & Co. Inc.

Booth #7931

Charles G.G. Schmidt announced the addition of standard insert tooling for all phases of window, door, cabinet and moulding production, including tenon heads, groovers, surfacing heads, stile and rail cutters, panel raising cutters and router bits. The company also offers quality brazed tools as stock items. All of its tooling is manufactured to a customer's specifications for their particular type of machinery and are manufactured to strict tolerances.

(800) 724-6438 CGGSchmidt.com..

Tool Cutter and Grinder Booth #9320

Conquest Industries

Conquest offers the "SuperCUTTERMAS-TER Tool and Cutter Grinder." The Super CUTTERMASTER Tool and Cutter Grinder has been designed to eliminate the Z-Axis attachment by integrating a new "tower" into it, thus giving the user superior capabilities for grinding and tool modifications. This new design gives the motor multi-axis positioning capability with a 4" vertical lift and motor's 180° swivel capability.

(800) 892-1111 ConquestInd.com



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(800) 367-3591 americanfabricfilter.com



EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

Products

Bench-Glide Cabinet Module

Contur Cabinet

Contur introduces a new cabinet module to its existing line of ultra-modern European-inspired metal storage cabinets. The Bench-Glide is a versatile storage unit consisting of a 12" high pull-out drawer mounted on 4" high adjustable legs. This unit is also topped with a solid maple butcher block and is available in six hi-gloss colors as well as a stainless-steel finish.

(855) 426-6887 www.conturcabinet.com

EXOTIC VENEER EDGEBANDING

DC Distributing

DC Distributing now stocks exotic wood veneers, such as Zebrawood, Afromosia, Wenge, and Eucalyptus edgebanding, including Bamboo in 3mm (caramelized and natural). Other specialty banding includes thin, thick and common wood veneers in a variety of sizes. The firm also offers pre-finished and pre-glued material.

(800) 727-0917, DC-Dist.com.

CNC Machining Center

Felder USA

Booth #8146

The FORMAT-4 Profit H08 CNC machine center is a brand new CNC option from the Felder Group. This high-quality, made-in-Austria machine is capable of performing an impressive capacity of work, which will save time and material. The Profit H08 was specifically designed with the U.S. market in mind and introduced at a price never before seen from Felder.

(866) 792-5288 feldergroupusa.com

Shaper Cutters

Freeborn Tool Co.

Booth #8822

By specializing in the manufacture of shaper cutters, Freeborn offers precision, value and customer service unequaled in the tooling industry. Come see us at the AWFS show in Booth 8822 and check out our multi-profile cope and pattern insert heads.

(800) 523-8988 www.freeborntool.com

Cabinet Pullouts

Gingrich Woodcraft Inc.

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Curtain Walls

Goff Enterprises

Booth #4032

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(800) 761-3019 goffscurtainwalls.com/wwne

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JB Cutting

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(586) 468-4765 jbcutting.com

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Monarch Metal

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(631) 563-8967 monarchmetal.com

Folding Table

Murphy Wall-Beds Hardware Inc.

This European designed and manufactured system, from Murphy Wall-Beds Hardware, is an innovative twist for mounting a table to the front panel of the Murphy Bed or any place where space is at a premium. The hardware is designed to have the table folding upwards. This shift allows for the weight to be evenly distributed across the bed panel maximizing any space, and provides a solution for any office, craft or dining space. (800) 667-6336 MurphyBeds.com

North American Hardwoods Northwest Hardwoods

BOOTH #4827

Northwest Hardwoods is a manufacturer of U.S. hardwoods, including: alder, red and white oak, cherry, hard and soft maple, hickory, walnut and poplar. Known for consistent manufacturing and grading practices, NWH says it is a preferred supplier to high-quality furniture and cabinet manufacturers around the world.

(866) 870-3040 NorthwestHardwoods.com

Custom Closet Systems

Plus Closets

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Mullion Door Designs

Elias Woodwork

Booth #4052

Available with any door style, Elias' new mullion designs add an extra touch to any kitchen. With over 25 designs, mullions can be used to create styles from Old World to Contemporary and beyond. Styles available in curved cabinet doors of any radius. (800) 665-0623 eliaswoodwork.com

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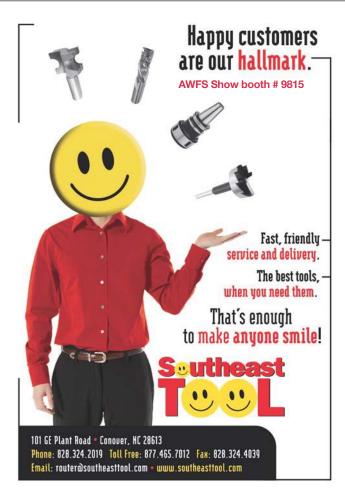


















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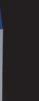
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Safety Speed Manufacturing

Booth #7623

Safety Speed introduced its new 7000 series vertical panel saw, which is designed as an affordable and accurate panel cutting solution for home centers and medium to large sized shops in a variety of industries. The 7000 saw is a high-capacity production

machine perfect for any shop demanding precision. The saw carriage rides on two aluminum anodized extruded beams with integrated linear V-Guides allowing the machine to deliver an accuracy of .015". (800)772-2327 SafetySpeed.com

Closet Accessories

Sidelines Inc.

Sidelines offers new and improved accessories for home storage areas, including the closet. Its sliding racks with separate sets of six hooks are pre-mounted to a beautiful housing unit and lie flat to the wall or vertical partition and hold 18 belts, ties or scarves. The stationary rack with six non-slip arms can be used for ties, belts, or scarves and mounted quickly and easily with two screws to a wall or vertical partition.

(480) 767-9091 Sidelines.com

Six-Head Moulder Stiles Machinery

Booth #8057

Stiles will display the Kentwood M609X moulder enhanced with a performance package at AWFS 2013. The X class machines have all been upgraded to include electronic spindle braking, colored touch screen control operator interfaces, and 7200 RPM ProLock quick fit spindle nuts.

(616) 698-7500 StilesMachinery.com

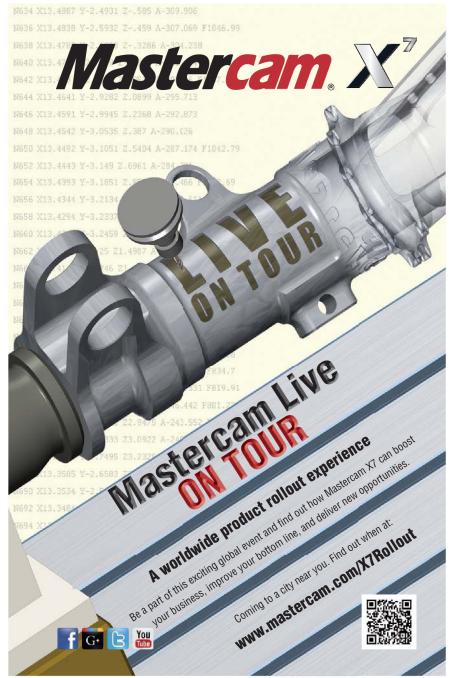


Door Finish Options WalzCraft

Booth #6018

WalzCraft announces three new SolidTone colors to its extensive line of finish options for custom cabinet components. The SolidTone paint hues include gray tones ranging from light to dark in colors that suit many of today's popular cabinetry design genres, including Transitional, Classic and Shaker looks. WalzCraft SolidTone finishes are made of pigmented, acid catalyzed conversion varnishes. The finishes offer great scratch and chemical resistance and provide a smooth surface for applying any type of glaze or rub through option.

(800) 237-1326 WalzCraft.com



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Booth #7431

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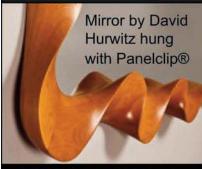
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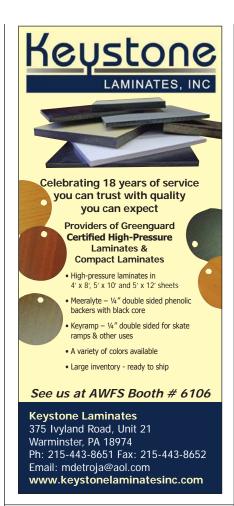
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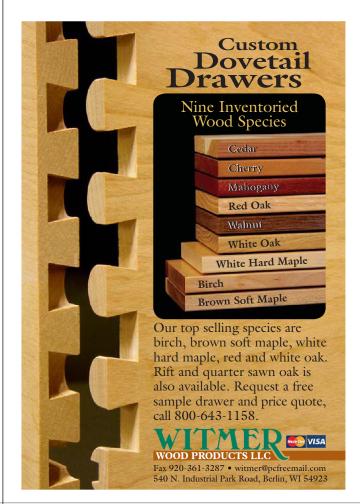


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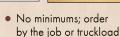


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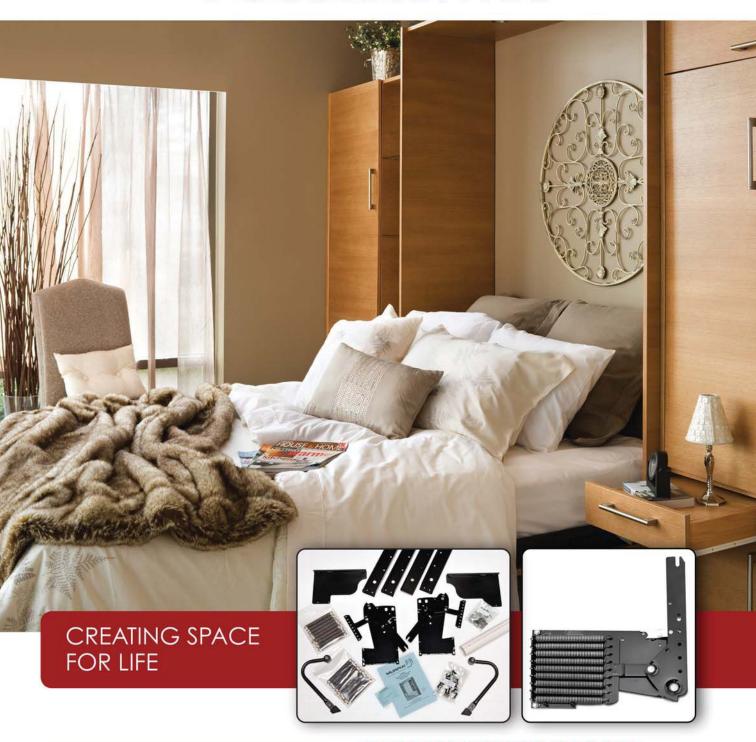
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Curvy Steel Sparks A Sale

A CUSTOMER WALKS INTO A GARAGE SHOWROOM to pay off the balance on the garage flooring he just had installed. While there, he notices a new display of metal garage cabinets in bright, vivid colors. Immediately, he signs off on a brand new order for \$20,000 worth of cabinetry.

Jason Johnson, vice president of Garage Innovations in Tulsa, OK, with showrooms in Oklahoma City, recounts this ancedote, which happened approximately two days after he installed a Contur Cabinet line in his showroom.

If that display had not been up, Johnson says, the customer would have chosen someone else to do the cabinets. Previously, "We had a guy walk in and hire us for garage flooring, but he wanted a trim guy to do the base and upper cabinets."

Similar scenarios have happened over the years where a customer selected Garage Innovations to do the flooring, but they had something in mind for the cabinetry other than the melamine cabinets Johnson manufactures and the RedLine Garagegear powder-coated wood cabinets or Hercke's stainless steel garage cabinets.

CURVED STEEL CABINET NICHE MARKET

Although it is only a small portion of the market, instances of customers searching for alternative, luxury garage cabinet options were enough to make Johnson aware that there was a niche that was being under served.

Garage Innovation's market primarily consists of female decision makers with beautiful homes and unorganized garages, Johnson says, and 95% of the garage cabinets installed are melamine. But there is a small percentage of customers who are seeking more, namely guys who want a unique, luxury, steel product for the garage.

To capture that niche market, Johnson decided to order Contur cabinets (a relatively new line that Closets reported on last June) and set up a showroom display.

Having received multiple e-mails and marketing material about the new cabinet line, Johnson says that he always considered the possibility of becoming a dealer. "As soon as I saw it I was interested," he says, "because it is a unique, high-end steel cabinet."

The brightly, colored, curved Contur cabinets clearly piqued the interest of other potential dealers as well.

Jacque Yeager, owner of Closet Trends in Tucson, AZ, says an e-mail blast from Contur caught her eye a few months ago because the product was very different. She said the construction appealed to her as well as the opportunity to offer









Colorful, Curved Garage Cabinets

Contur Cabinet launched its line of all-metal, modular garage storage cabinets in June 2012.

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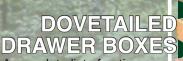
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a contemporary, designer look in garage cabinetry. Plus, there is a potential market for it in the Tucson area, she adds.

Closet Trends manufactures its own products, but it also has a relationship with a garage door company that manufactures a steel garage cabinet line. However, Yeager says that line has more of an industrial look while Contur is "chic." bright and available in a variety of colors.

Closet Trends currently does not have a display of the Contur line, but it does have the company's literature and sample colors in its showroom.

Yeager also says that she is considering advertising the line in a local high-end publication, Luxe Magazine.

"We are thinking of putting a picture of Contur in there because people might be interested using it in other rooms like laundry rooms, craft rooms or bathrooms because of its sleek look," she says.

Perry Tiemann, owner of Garage Decor & More in Waterloo, IL, also expressed an interest in the Contur line.

Tiemann currently sells the powder-

coated garage cabinet line from RedLine. And he says he is also considering Contur.

"When they were developing the line, it looked like a good, steel alternative," he notes. But for him selling the cabinets will be on a case-by-case basis depending on the client's needs.

Garage Decor & More, which offers not only garage products but closet systems, wall organization, flooring and storage racks as well, doesn't have a physical showroom.

Dave Moltz, owner of Pro-Garages, located in Irvine, CA, also finds the Contur line very unique, and he is looking for the opportunity, perhaps at a tradeshow like Specialty Equipment Manufacturers Association Show (SEMA), not only to get a look at the cabinets but to touch and feel them as well.

One concern for Moltz is the lead time because all product is shipped from Contur's manufacturing facility in Canada. Most of the other products he offers ship in a day. A potential solution would be to simply note in the product description on

his web site that the lead time would be longer, he says.

For Johnson the lead time is not a problem. He says it generally takes 10 to 14 working days, which is typical for what he offers.

Johnson says he originally thought Garage Innovations would only sell one to two Contur cabinet systems a year but he is already halfway to that goal.

"We may sell more than what we thought," he says. "I had it shipped to the showroom and when I opened it I was very impressed."

Johnson says he considers his investment in the new product line worthwhile because having the actual product in the showroom seems to be a strong selling point.

"That product sells itself once you can touch it," he adds. "As soon as I opened the box for our display I was sold." contur-

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Visit Closets Daily.com to find out more about the launch of Contur Cabinet's curved cabinetry in 2012.







Cabinetry Components for Closets

Cabinet doors are the most likely wood component to be outsourced by custom woodworkers for cabinetry projects, with drawer boxes a close third, according to a past study from Vance Research Services and the Wood Component Manufacturers Assn. (WCMA). Below are some of the current options of doors and drawers available from an array of companies.

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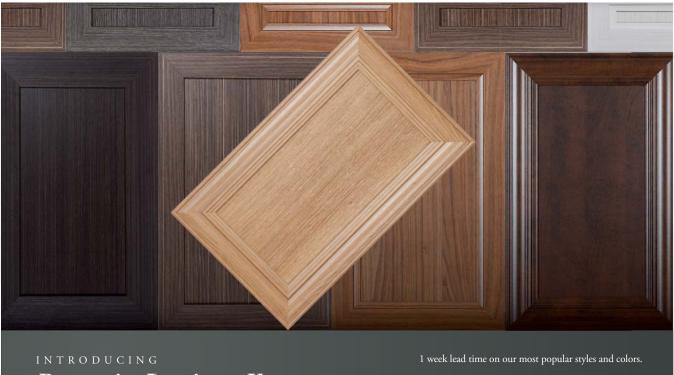
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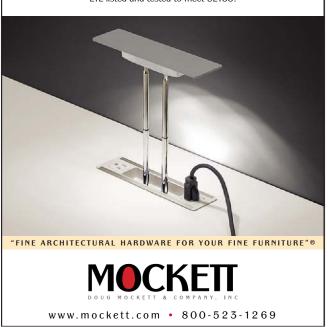
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atural materials, LED lighting and bold bursts of pastel colors continued to be popular trends on one of the largest international design stages, which featured the lastest creations in furniture and interiors.

The Milan Furniture Fair, held April 9-14 in Milan, Italy, kicked off the Spring design season in its typical stylish manner with exhibits that were departures from the seminal European modular look. One display, a traditional closet walk-in, was finished in neutral creme colors with crown and trim moulding. LED lighting was installed over hang areas and shelving.

Also, a wardrobe from architect Tadeo Ando, who introduced a curved, plywood chair at the furniture fair, was finished in a warm brown with two sets of bi-fold doors enclosing compartmental hang areas, shelving and drawers.

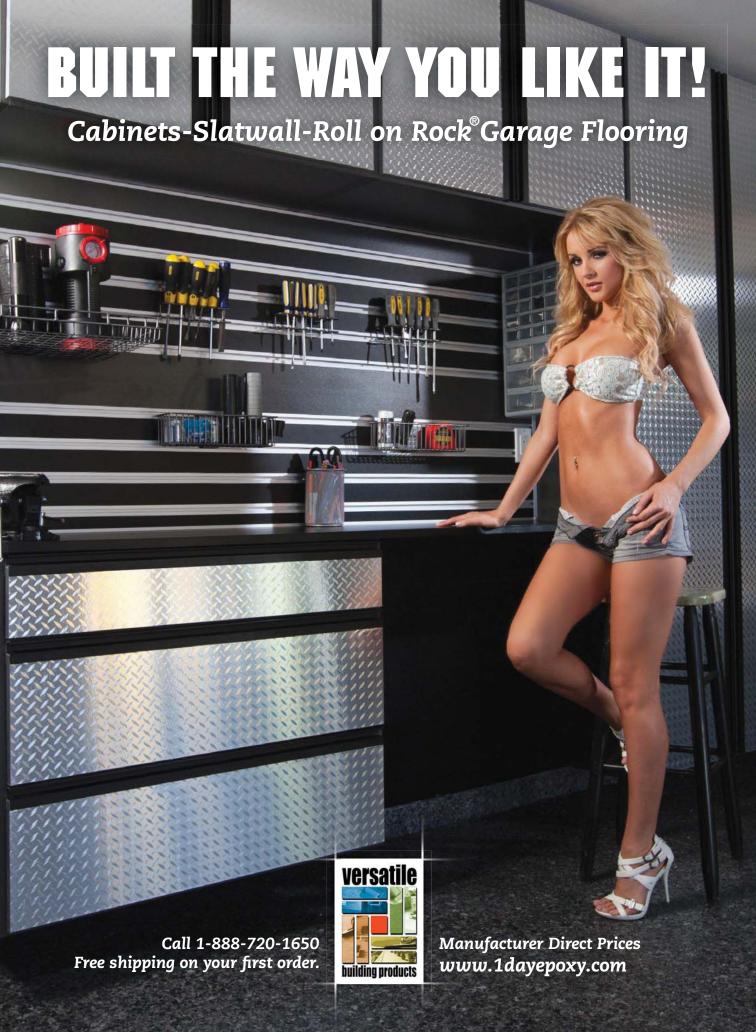
The theme of this year's show, "Interiors of Tomorrow," was succintly illustrated with architect Jean Nouvel's "Project: Office for Living," consisting of five work areas depicting offices and home offices that are not only functional but creative and inspirational.

The 52nd Milan Furniture Show featured thousands of furnishing, lighting and office products shown for the first time. More than 2,500 exhibitors participated and the number of visitors overall was approximately 324,000 with large delegations of American architects on hand to see the latest designs. cosmit.it/en/

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abinetry, hardware and component engineering that feed the growing 'Universal Design' movement were the dominant trends at KBIS 2013 in New Orleans in May - along with mixed and contrasting colors, reclaimed wood and updated classic and rustic designs. Glass also figured big in many of the cabinet designs, often backlit by LED lights.

The Universal Design approach mixes in features of accessibility for all ages and capabilities, and fixtures that allow consumers to comfortably age in place, in home interior appointments. On the show floor, this resulted in hardware and component solutions like pivoting pull-out shelves instead of lazy suzans, slide-open and tambour doors that don't impede access or obstruct walkways, and servo-motorized door and drawer hardware that put hard-to-access corners within easy reach, especially for aging boomers who are getting less limber.

While cabinetry makers are adopting modern hardware, exterior cabinet designs are evolving more gradually from traditional styles. A trend to slate gray, and juxtaposing contrasting light and dark color cabinetry continues. Consumers do seem to be embracing reclaimed wood. But the spare aesthetics of modern European design were more evident in bath and plumbing fixtures than in cabinetry seen around the show.

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Sliding, Lighting, 'Lift' Interzum

Doors slide, countertops slide, shelves slide - "lieben schleiben" is "love to slide." LFD and textures rule.

ey component trends at Interzum 2013, the May hardware, lumber, panel show in Cologne, Germany, included an explosion in hardware for sliding doors, panels and countertops; servomotor assists to raise and lower cabinet doors, work surfaces, and even entire kitchen islands. Frequently seen: split-level countertops that slide close to hide flat-surfaced cooktops and sink enclosures.

LED lighting was even more plentiful then the last Interzum in 2011, then used as ambient, task and accent lighting and now as decorative lighting, with coloration incorporated in otherwise neutral shelving arrangements. Closet designers, take note: suddenly those plain, white closet installatons can glow with purposeful LED lights, that change colors under program control.

Laminates continue to improve with high-definition photorealistic reproduction enhanced with carefully controlled embossing to simulate the look and feel of real wood veneer. Spalt, a unit of a German furniture maker, Wekstäten used a panel base such as MDF or plywood, and an embossing press to create a deeply textured, sculpted surface effect. Newly introduced this year was Rocks, which uses a laminate-like melamine over a wood panel, Brickwood, in which the pattern is staggered wood blocks of uneven surface levels, and block wood, in which the veneers are made of old timber beams.

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