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Nienkamper Honored with FOUR Prestigious 2018 GOOD DESIGN Awards!

December 19, 2018 – Chicago. Nienkämper today announced that it has been recognized in the 2018 Good Design Award for four of its products from the company’s table and seating collections.

The four Nienkamper products that were awarded are Perplex Bench, Gazebo Meeting Pod, YP Coffee Table and the Gateway Height Adjustable Mobile Tables.

GOOD DESIGN is an international symbol of a company’s firm commitment to innovation and superior design embodiment. “We are honored to be recognized with four GOOD DESIGN awards for our commitment to excellent design. These awards stand as a testament to our continued dedication to design and innovation which have been at the core of the Nienkamper brand for over five decades and to the talented and esteemed designers with whom we have partnered with,” commented Nienkamper President and founder, Klaus Nienkamper.

Founded in Chicago in 1950 by architects Eero Saarinen, Charles and Ray Eames, and Edgar Kaufmann, Jr., GOOD DESIGN annually bestows international recognition upon the world’s most prominent designers and manufacturers for advancing new, visionary, and innovative product concepts, invention and originality.

Perplex Bench: Comprised of metal components uniquely used in the automotive industry an ultra-high performance concrete, Fig40 is using a material so distinct and unique allowing them to explore and create remarkable objects such as the Perplex bench. Perplex bench’s form is clear and visually soft intended to contrast the nature of the industrial like concrete material. The gentle slope on the top surface adds a sculptural element as well as serves the function of preventing water from pooling if used in an outdoor setting. The lift at either end punctuates the form and serves to create a visual lightness. Made of cast aluminum with a powder-coated finish the legs are configured to support the bench in a natural way and are of an appropriate scale to balance the lightness of the design intent and the structural requirements for support. Although heavy, at ~400lbs, comparable 10’ long concrete benches can weigh up to 8 times as much. Perplex bench showcases new technology and creates a sculptural piece of furniture for use in commercial, hospitality and residential spaces. Design: Fig40
**Gazebo Meeting Pod:** Designed by Nienkämper, Gazebo creates a finely crafted indoor oasis with an emphasis on comfort and productivity, suitable for a variety of applications within office environments. The innovative structure provides a relaxed and technology-enabled setting for casual or more formal meetings, and improves indoor air quality with the incorporation of biophilic elements. Constructed of extruded aluminum, Gazebo has been engineered for quick installation with extrusions that allow the structure to be built in less than four hours by two people. The interior acoustic wall panels and wood ceiling help absorb sound and reduce noise levels, while the well proportioned structure provides privacy, perfect for today’s open office environments.

**YP Coffee Table** Minimalism and elegance characterize the YP Coffee Table. A crisp architectural black-powder coated steel base supports a .” glass top with a beveled edge that rests within the table’s beveled frame. This sculptural single-form frame pushes the boundaries of furniture design. The table has a bold aesthetic with slender proportions and a visual lightness, allowing for modern design in both large and small spaces. Design: Yabu Pushelberg

**Gateway™ Height Adjustable Mobile Tables** The award winning GATEWAY™ Collection is expanding with the introduction of battery operated GATEWAY™ Height Adjustable tables. Designed to work with other Gateway™ designs, the new series can seamlessly change your working position from sitting to standing at the push of a button. Gateway™ Height Adjustable tables can easily be adapted for open plan working environments, touchdown spaces, meeting tables and break out areas alike. Gateway™ includes multiple table options that also integrates flexible power, data and video connectivity. Table tops are available in wood veneer or laminate with optional ecoustic privacy panels. Re-chargeable Battery discreetly mounted to the underside of the table makes re-configuration simple with no cords to manage. Available on glides or low profile locking casters. Optional upholstered privacy panels allows privacy in open environment. Design: Busk+Hertzog

**About Nienkamper**
Established in 1968, Nienkämper is an internationally recognized designer and manufacturer of fine office furniture. Recognized as one of the 50 Best Managed Companies in Canada each year since 2009, Nienkämper is committed to being at the forefront of innovation; collaborating with forward-thinking designers; and pushing the boundaries of technology. Excellence from design to delivery. Please visit www.nienkamper.com