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## Contract asks three designers to name and explain their favorite products from Salone Internazionale del Mobile 2010



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**1. Pudelskern**  
**Mrs. Robinson**

[www.pudelskern.at](http://www.pudelskern.at) Reader Service No. 250

Designed by the Austrian design group Pudelskern, the Mrs. Robinson chest of drawers is wonderful. It is a simple yet beautiful and pure design.

**2. Piet Hein Eek at Rossana Orlandi**  
**Chandelier**

[www.pietheineek.nl](http://www.pietheineek.nl) Reader Service No. 251

The wonderful Dutch designer Piet Hein Eek created the most unique chandelier using different old and recycled glass lamps and unifying them into a very attractive small or extra large light unit. Just a beautiful chandelier for a minimalist lobby.

**3. GAN by Gandia Blasco**  
**Mangas**

[www.gan-rugs.com](http://www.gan-rugs.com) Reader Service No. 252

I was simply mesmerized by the beautiful concept of the design and the process of making these unique area rugs, designed by Patricia Urquiola and named Mangas (which is the Spanish word for sleeves, as in a sweater). The large scale of the weaving, the textures, and the colors make me feel that I just want to keep looking at it. Very clever!

**4. Neutra**  
**Vitality sink/bowl**

[www.neutradesign.it](http://www.neutradesign.it) Reader Service No. 253

Neutra by Amaboldi Angelo makes sinks, tubs, and bathroom accessories carved from rare and precious woods. What a unique combination! My favorite item is this gorgeous sink/bowl made of wood.

**5. Magis Design**  
**Sparkling chair**

[www.magisdesign.com](http://www.magisdesign.com) Reader Service No. 254

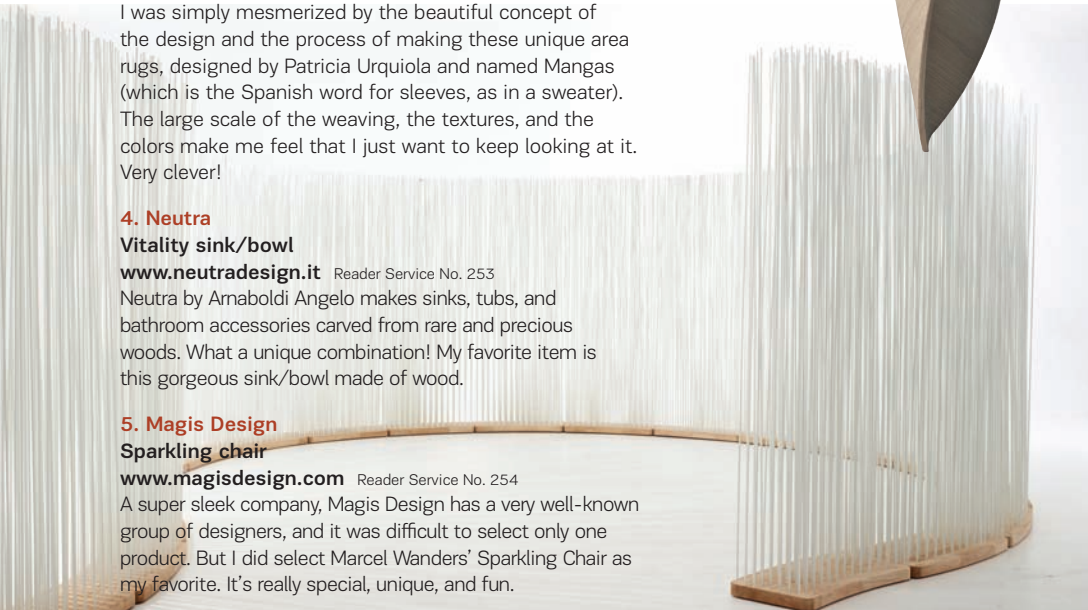
A super sleek company, Magis Design has a very well-known group of designers, and it was difficult to select only one product. But I did select Marcel Wanders' Sparkling Chair as my favorite. It's really special, unique, and fun.



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**Angie Lee, FAIA, IIDA, LEED AP**  
Vice President  
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**6. Lapalma**  
**AP stool**

[www.lapalma.it](http://www.lapalma.it) Reader Service No. 255

My absolutely favorite product of the show is the wooden stool designed by Shin Azumi. It is stackable and very lightweight. I nicknamed it the "Fortune Cookie Stool." It comes in natural or black.

**7. Vitra**  
**Flower bench**

[www.vitra.com](http://www.vitra.com) Reader Service No. 256

This Vitra bench is not only a beautiful, sensual, shape that is familiar yet unexpected—particularly in a corporate or institutional environment—but it also enables people to sit facing each other to have a dialog in an informal setting. So it is highly functional too.

**8. Molteni & C**  
**Arc table**

[www.molteni.it](http://www.molteni.it) Reader Service No. 257

The Arc table by Foster + Partners comes only in a glass top—round or oval. The material for the funky leg design is of lightweight concrete with fiber in the mix. It's a very sexy, one-of-a-kind, special table.

**9. Kartell**  
**Bloom pendant**

[www.kartell.com](http://www.kartell.com) Reader Service No. 258

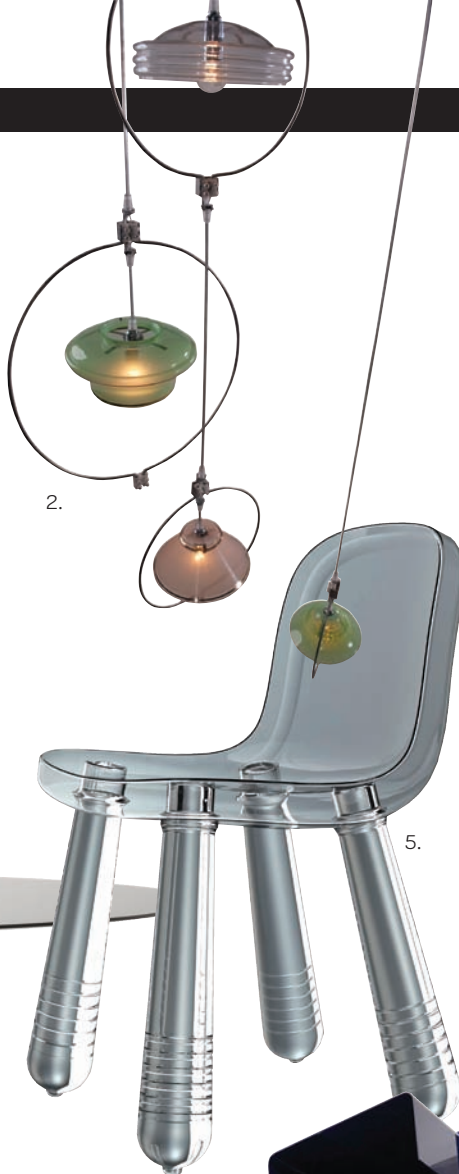
The Bloom pendant fixture by Kartell comes in white, off-white, and black. The black one is extremely beautiful.



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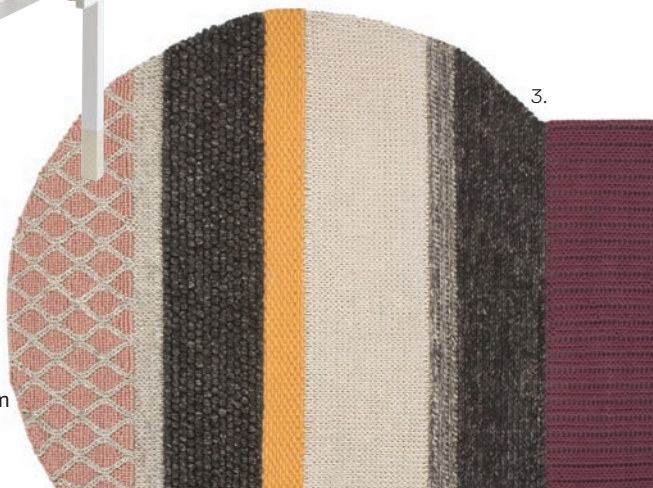
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**10. Molo Design Softwall product**

[www.molodesign.com](http://www.molodesign.com) Reader Service No. 259

It's a unique and flexible organic building system with endless possibilities.

**11. Extremis Sticks**

[www.extremis.be](http://www.extremis.be) Reader Service No. 260

The Sticks product is an interesting space divider for the open work environment and other unique round lounge furniture groupings and benches.

**12. Officinanove M box storage units**

[www.officinanove.it](http://www.officinanove.it) Reader Service No. 261

These beautifully crafted metal modular storage units come in great colors. Officinanove offers many other interesting metal light fixtures, storage units, benches, and lighting, as well.

**13. Borella Design YUU wall system**

[www.borelladesign.com](http://www.borelladesign.com) Reader Service No. 262

This beautifully crafted and detailed wall screening system allows you to create semi-enclosures with a variety of accessories and options, including metal tables with curved corners.

**14. Molteni & C Arc Table**

[www.molteni.it](http://www.molteni.it) Reader Service No. 257

This beautiful sculptural concrete table base with glass top is perfect for those situations where data and electric are not required.



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