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**Overflowing with Scandinavian design at Stockholm Furniture & Light Fair**

*Stockholm Furniture & Light Fair, February 7-11, is the world’s largest meeting place for Scandinavian furniture and light design. This is further enhanced at this year’s fair with guest exhibitions that shine a spotlight on Scandinavian design. More than 700 companies gather at Stockholm Furniture & Light Fair, and 80 percent of all exhibiting companies come from Scandinavia*.

**Furnishing Utopia:** a cross-border collaboration between Nordic and U.S. designers

The Shaker style is a U.S. furniture and interiors style that originated from a religious, [ascetic](https://sv.wikipedia.org/wiki/Asketisk) [independent church movement](https://sv.wikipedia.org/wiki/Frikyrkor%C3%B6relse). The Shaker movement’s woodworkers reinterpreted traditional design with a focus on simplicity and function. As part of a collaboration between Hancock Shaker Village and Mt. Lebanon Shaker Museum, 12 international designers participated in a workshop. The designers were then invited to design objects that translate the Shaker objects’ aesthetics into contemporary forms that fit modern life. The outcome of these designs is a combination of pure lines and natural materials and can be seen in an exhibition at Stockholm Furniture & Light Fair. Participants include Studio Gorm (USA), Studio Tolvanen (Finland), Norm Architects (Danmark), Lars Beller Fjetland (Norway), Hallgeir Homstvedt (Norway) and others. AG:38

**“Extremely...” by danishdesignMAKERS**

The “Extremely...” exhibition encourages young Danish designers to experiment and take risks - to challenge the status quo in order to advance into the future. The arranger is danishdesignMAKERS – an association that aims to promote young Danish designers and the Danish design culture. Twenty-three young designers display products designed specifically for this exhibition. AG:53

**Good vibrations**

DesignMarch Reykjavík displays Icelandic design in Stockholm. The exhibition offers a glimpse of the emerging Icelandic design scene. Can we really design good vibrations?

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Stockholm Furniture & Light Fair will be held on February 7-11, 2017 at Stockholmsmässan.

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