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Speaking volumes: Antoine Proulx. (furniture design firm)

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Antoine Proulx, a furniture design company, introduces a new line of furniture created by Marc Desplaines. The collection features an interplay of volumes and distinctive wood planes which are pierced and suspended by flat steel pillars. It includes consoles, side tables, coffee tables, dressers and beds which appeal to the residential market. The company presently offers the collection through its headquarters in Prince Station, NY.

A family history of craftsmanship spawns new sibling-owned furniture business.

Clean volumes and planes of wood defined, pierced and suspended in space by flat pillars of steel characterize the first collection of furniture designed by Marc Desplaines for his company, Antoine Proulx. Crafted by his brother, Richard Desplaines, who for 15 years has operated a custom woodworking shop for restoration of historic homes, the initial 16 pieces include consoles, side tables, coffee tables, dressers, armoires and beds primarily for the residential market. Inspired by Frank Lloyd Wright, Pierre Chareau, Gustav Stickley and the Arts and Crafts movement in general, Marc came up with the furniture in frustration at not being able to find what he was looking for. The company is named after the brothers' great grandfather who was a prominent 19th-century builder of New England homes.



Shown is one of three coffee table designs. CT-14 CoffeeTable. The two-tiered trapezoidal form measures 36 in. square by 14 in. high.

ST-13 The console/side table, also one of three, has four drawers and is 66 in. wide by 32 in. high.

DR-77 The seven-drawer, 60-in.-high dresser is optionally offered with supports flush and on the front of the piece.



Available woods are flat cut and figured African and Honduran mahogany, flat and figured anigre, sapelli and zebrawood. Blued, black oxidized, mottled brown steel finishes or natural aluminum metals are offered.