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Museum Stool •  
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**Give your children museum quality seating.** AIA/DC member **Tom Shiner, AIA**, started a furniture company in 1992—**Museum and Library Furniture, LLC**—to create a lightweight, stackable, yet elegant seating system for museums and other institutions. The result is the **Museum Stool**, the perfectly designed portable seat. Recently on display in a window exhibit of industrial design at Apartment Zero, the stools are solid-wood construction in either poplar or cherry and retail for \$168. A weatherproof version made of river-recovered cypress is also available for \$285. Check out the Museum Stool and Shiner's collection of benches, storage systems and library furniture—all simple, functional and environmentally sustainable—at [www.themuseumstool.com](http://www.themuseumstool.com).



**Modern furniture with a Latin beat.** Brazilian furniture retailer and manufacturer **Artefacto** joins the ever-growing design nexus in Georgetown. Just across M Street from Cady's Alley, Artefacto inhabits the first floor and basement of 3333 M Street, an award-winning building by **Shalom Baranes Associates, PC**, profiled in the design awards article that begins on page 16.

**Carlos Forato, ASID**, Artefacto's General Manager, Northeast Region, was instrumental in the layout and design of the store. Inside you will find sophisticated

furniture made of beautiful fabrics and sleek construction. Case in point: a glass-topped table with a variety of bases, from steel to leather. Artefacto also has an extensive collection of fine art and accessories from Brazilian artists. Visit Artefacto at 3333 M Street, NW, call 202.338.3337, or view their catalog at [www.artefacto.com](http://www.artefacto.com).



**Organize your home office like an architect.** For many years, in-the-know architects and other designers have specified Techline furniture for commercial and home interiors. This Wisconsin-based company, founded by architect Marshall Urdman, can customize any room with cleanly-designed work surfaces and cabinetry. They also offer entertainment units and wall beds built with beautiful laminate surfaces that will match and organize any décor. Stop by Techline's local showroom at 12221 Parklawn Drive, Suite 212, Rockville, MD, call 301.770.1779, or view their catalog at [www.techlineusa.com](http://www.techlineusa.com).

