

## **Antti Tuomi at SaloneSatellite 12.-17.4.2016**

Antti Tuomi is a 32-year-old (born 14.05.1983) furniture designer living and working in Helsinki, Finland. In his first solo exhibition at the SaloneSatellite Tuomi presents four new prototypes and one collaboration project executed with his colleague Anna Lampinen. Idea for the exhibition originated from the desire to complete some older works initiated during his studies at the Lahti Institute of Design. During that process, a few new pieces of furniture were also born.

**AT1** (easy chair) – The design of the chair is based on an idea of cylinder shaped foam that is folded into the shape of a seat. The main focus of the design was in the ergonomic qualities of this action. The first prototype of AT1 was produced as a degree work to the Lahti Institute of Design in the end of 2011. After that, many details have been decided, and the shape of the chair has been refined.

MEASUREMENTS: H 760, W 880, D 820 MM

MATERIALS: FABRIC, FOAM, STEEL, PLYWOOD

**COACH** (side table) – The essential element of the side table lies in the connection between the removable top and the construction. Steel bars are bent into the slots under the top. When the bars are in the right place, tension releases, bars straighten and the construction locks itself into the top. No tools are required.

MEASUREMENTS: H 455, Ø 495 MM

MATERIALS: ASH, STEEL

**VATNA** (bench, collaboration with Anna Lampinen) – Vatna is a functional sculpture, miniature landscape, which offers a surface to sit or lie on. It is a statement of free organic form, craftsmanship and haptics. Half of the surface is made out of solid ash plank and the other half is upholstered with mokumenui shibori manipulated fabric. The mokumenui shibori surface for the bench is hand manipulated in Arimatsu, Japan by Suzusan.

MEASUREMENTS: H 420-450, W 1170, D 700 MM

MATERIALS: ASH, FABRIC, FOAM

**ANOTHER** (chair) – Another chair is a study of asymmetry and ergonomics. The design is based on the observation that people have a habit of sitting in a sideways position. I wanted to design a chair that would address and support this tendency. Another chair is made out of solid ash. It is designed for home and cafe environments. An early model of the chair was made as early as 2010.

MEASUREMENTS: H 720, W 475, D 465 MM

MATERIAL: ASH

**MOON** (pendant lamp) – Moon is an atmospheric pendant lamp. The basic shape of the lamp is mouth blown in a mold, and the “neck” is hand stretched into its final shape. Every lamp is slightly different.

MEASUREMENTS: H 400, MAX. Ø 180 MM

MATERIALS: GLASS, ASH, LED BULB

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