

CURRENTS

FURNITURE

A Chair Salutes Midcentury Masters

Philippe Starck, the French designer, created the new Masters chair (at right) for the furniture manufacturer Kartell with the help of the designer Eugeni Quitllet. In doing so, he wove together three silhouettes by midcentury masters: Eero Saarinen's Tulip chair, Charles and Ray Eames's Eiffel chair and Arne Jacobsen's Series 7 chair.

His explanation? "Quantum mathematicians teach us that we are merely the sum of our actions," Mr. Starck said, noting that the chair's "historical lines overlaid each other and intersect to finally yield an organic design closest to our body today."

Made of smooth batch-dyed polypropylene, the 33-inch-tall chair comes in black or white, and can be used indoors and out. It is \$244 at Kartell stores. Information: (212) 966-6665 or kartell.com.

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Window Fabrics, Sofas, I

Metropolitan Window Fashions will discount all fabrics 20 percent from April 1 to 15 (silk drapery material, regularly starting at \$40 a yard, will start at \$32; upholstery fabrics, regularly starting at \$50 a yard, will start at \$40); 189 East 79th Street and at 469 Amsterdam Avenue (82nd Street), (212) 501-8282, windowfashions.com.

Jooneechees is taking 20 percent off all merchandise, through April 3 (square martini glasses by Alan Lee, originally \$58, are \$46; handmade children's lamps by Alex Marshall, regularly \$220, are \$176); 248 Elizabeth Street (Prince Street), (212) 343-7313, jooneechees.com.

All new upholstery is on sale. Canvas through Chesterfield, regularly \$400, the Mercer, regularly \$3,500, Lafayette Street, (212) 501-8282, canvashome.com.

At A&G Mercantile, a sofa sale, some items will be discounted 50 percent. A floor section, about \$2,800, is \$1,400; the M, regularly \$1,342, is \$671; 177 West Street (Berkley Street), (718) 388-1777, aandgmercantile.com. Many floors are on sale at the



LIGHTING

Blown Glass That Illuminates

Caleb Siemon likes to say that most glassblowers are "not born artists, they're born pyromaniacs." Mr. Siemon, a Southern California native, made a name for himself with vases and bowls that combine the techniques he learned as an apprentice to Pino Signoretto, a glass sculptor in Murano, with the Scandinavian style he personally prefers. Three years ago he teamed up with his wife, Carmen Salazar.

"People had always asked us about doing lighting," Ms. Salazar said. "Initially, we started trans-

lating Caleb's vase designs. These pieces focus on their forms rather than their color."

Their ivory teardrop pendant, right, is an interpretation of one of Mr. Siemon's Lattimo vessels, with two opaque swathes wrapped around a clear crystal bubble. It comes in three sizes (for \$500, \$600 and \$800) and is available, along with the rest of the Caleb Siemon lighting collection, at Interieurs, 228 East 58th Street, (212) 343-0800; information: interieurs.com.

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OPEN

Floor Samples, Indeed: Modular Carpet Tiles

The modular carpet tile manufacturer FLOR, founded as a Web- and catalog-based company in 2003, is establishing brick-and-mortar stores. The company's Manhattan boutique (at right) opens today in SoHo, offering help to those tired of deciphering carpet texture from photos.

"It's an opportunity to touch and

