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XANDRE KRIEL

A lover of shape and form, Xandre Kriel creates high-end furniture that elevates simple geometry to an art. By refining his designs down to minimalist folded planes that allow the materials – wood, steel, slate or marble – to speak for themselves, each piece is sculptural in its composition and painstakingly constructed in studio. The result is timeless furniture with huge appeal, such as Kriel's iconic slate-and-steel Vos Altar table, which has consistently sold at exhibitions locally and abroad for the past two years. Kriel's full design potential comes under the spotlight in a solo show at Southern Guild in Joburg later this year. southernguild.co.za



HAMED OUATTARA

With a studio in Burkina Faso, self-taught artist Hamed Ouattara draws on his environment to produce mixed-media furniture out of salvaged metal such as discarded oil barrels. Hammered, shaped and repurposed by hand, these materials give a distinct aesthetic to Ouattara's work and, thanks to constant power outages and limited access to equipment in the city, all hinges, nails and tools necessary for each piece are crafted in Ouattara's studio – meaning that every detail is carefully considered and bespoke. His furniture is revered by top collectors and has been procured by major names, such as Italian design doyenne Rossana Orlandi.

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