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**The New Hampshire Furniture Masters Showcase Up and Coming Makers
in Their New Exhibition – *Rising Stars: New Works in Furniture*
September 14 – December 11, 2018**



L to R: Heide Martin, Michaela Crie Stone

CONCORD, NH — The New Hampshire Furniture Masters present *Rising Stars: New Works in Furniture*, an exhibition in their Gallery in Concord, NH. This exhibition features a collection of work by six young, talented designer makers from around New England. Visit the Gallery at 49 South Main Street, Concord, NH Monday – Friday from 8:30 am to 5 pm.

A variety of furniture as well as other smaller scale items will be on display. Many of these pieces are available for purchase. Participating makers include: Heide Martin, Michaela Crie Stone, Matthew Giossi, Ron Kuhn, Grant Burger and Laura Goffin.

Also on display at this exhibition is the response piece that won the People’s Choice Award at the Furniture Masters’ Main Event, “Portrait of the Artist” by Abba Cudney. Abba was one of six New Hampshire Institute of Art students who participated in a summer mentorship with members of the Furniture Masters and displayed their work at the event earlier this month. Her piece was a response to Furniture Master Ted Blachly’s Swiss Pear Wood Bench.

The Furniture Masters will host a reception for *Rising Star: New Works in Furniture* on Friday, October 5th from 5pm – 7pm. At the reception, meet the makers showcasing their work in this exhibition as well as members of the Furniture Masters. This reception is being held in conjunction with the League of NH Craftsmen’s *Head to Toe* exhibition, which is on display in the Gallery of the League of NH Craftsmen Headquarters, which is across the hall.

The Furniture Masters Gallery is open Monday through Friday from 8:30am – 5pm on 49 South Main Street, Concord, NH. *Rising Stars* will be on display until December 11th. For more

information about the New Hampshire Furniture Masters Association, visit www.furnituremasters.org.

About New Hampshire Furniture Masters Association

The New Hampshire Furniture Masters Association (NHFMA) was formed in 1993 by a core group of furniture makers and several Concord-area business men and women. The founders had one goal in mind: to build public awareness of New Hampshire's fine furniture makers and to cultivate an audience for their goods closer to home. The Furniture Masters continue striving to spread awareness of their craft into the present, working collaboratively and leveraging their potent body of collective knowledge and experience to stimulate one another's creative output.

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