

DESIGN ACROSS TIME

ca. 1100 BC



Lotus-shaped cup (Egypt)
Museum purchase through gift of Eleanor and Sarah Hewitt, 1960-29-1

1650–75



Man's lace collar (Italy)
Request of Richard Cranch Greenleaf in memory of his mother, Adeline Emma Greenleaf, 1962-50-28

1766



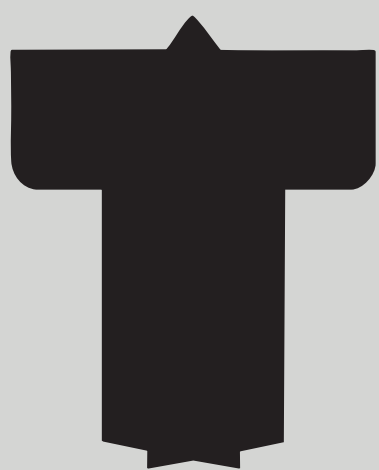
Candelabrum (Netherlands)
Valentijn Casper Beumke
Request of Mrs. John Innes Kane, 1928-37-131-9/h

1769



Tureen (France)
Sèvres Porcelain Manufactory
Museum purchase from Charles E. Sampson Memorial Fund, 1977-57-3-a,b

ca. 1800



Noh theater costume (Japan)
Gift of Eleanor and Sarah Hewitt, from the textile collection of Mrs. Abram Stevens Hewitt, 1931-4-61

1825



Royal jewel cabinet (France)
Sèvres Porcelain Manufactory
Request of the Reverend Alfred Duane Pell, 1991-31-2

1854



Wine pitcher (England)
Joseph Angell II
Gift of Louise B. Scott, 1936-21-1

ca. 1865



Fan (USA)
Gift of Mrs. Henry Woodward Haynes, 1951-106-3

ca. 1879



Toast rack (England)
Christopher Dresser
Museum purchase through gift of Margery and Edgar Masinter and from General Acquisitions Endowment Fund, 2002-22-1

ca. 1880



Vessel (England)
Christopher Dresser
Museum purchase from Decorative Arts Association Acquisition Fund, 1990-143-1

ca. 1885



Chalice (Italy)
Artisti Barovier
Request of Jean-Claude Ziegler, 2017-32-1

ca. 1890



Sugar tongs (France)
Charles Victor Gilbert
Museum purchase from Smithsonian Institution Collections Acquisition Program, Decorative Arts Association Acquisition, and Sarah Cooper-Hewitt Funds, 1996-56-57

ca. 1890



Staircase model (France)
Gift of Eugene V. and Clare E. Thaw, 2007-45-8

ca. 1895



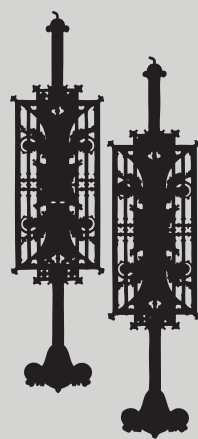
Vase (USA)
Louis Comfort Tiffany
Gift of Stanley Siegel, from the Stanley Siegel Collection, 1975-34-9

ca. 1900



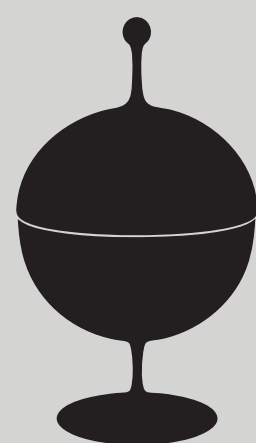
Pitcher (USA)
George Ohr
Gift of Marcia and William Goodman, 1984-84-36

1904



Balustrade panels (USA)
Louis Henry Sullivan
Gift of Carson, Pirie, Scott and Company, 1974-13-1-a,b

1926



Ambassador candy dish (Austria)
Oswald Haerdtt
Museum purchase through gift of Georgiana L. McClellan, 1958-98-21-a,b

ca. 1928



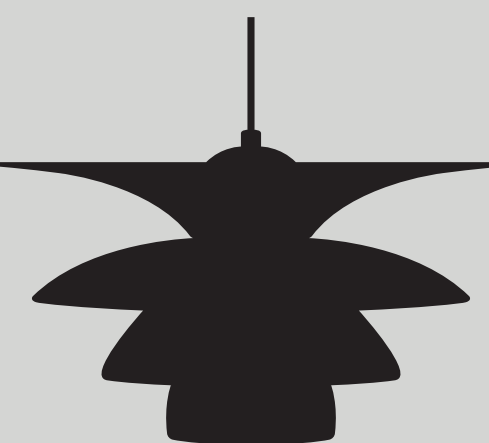
Saltcellar (USA)
Ilonka Karasz
Museum purchase from Decorative Arts Association Acquisition and General Acquisitions Endowment Funds, 1993-111-2

1928



Wastebasket (USA)
Donald Deskey
Gift of Jacqueline Loewe Fowler, 2018-29-2

ca. 1932



PH4 hanging lamp (Denmark)
Poul Henningsen
Gift of George R. Kravis II, 2018-22-4-8

ca. 1932



Teapot (Czech Republic)
Ladislav Sutnar
Museum purchase through gift of Estate of Ladislav Sutnar, 2011-10-1-a,b

1935



Normandie pitcher (USA)
Peter Muller-Munk
Gift of George R. Kravis II, 2014-25-2

ca. 1935



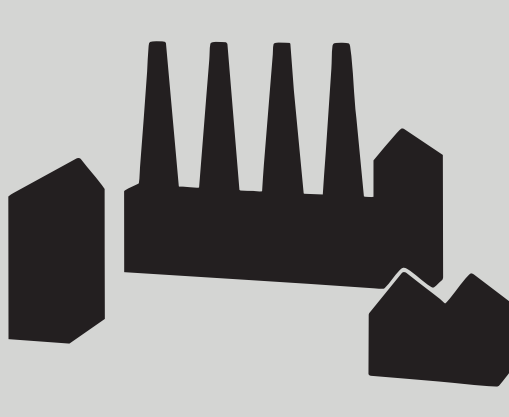
Saturn punch service (USA)
Russel Wright
Gift of George R. Kravis II, 2018-22-50-1-/39

1936



Penguin cocktail shaker (USA)
Emil Arthur Schuelke
Gift of Rodman A. Heeren, 1971-92-1-a,b

1941



Build the Town prototype toy (USA)
Ladislav Sutnar
Gift of Radoslav L. and Elaine F. Sutnar, 2000-76-1-1/52

ca. 1947



Model 831 floor lamp (USA)
Greta Magnusson Grossman
Museum purchase through the American Women's History Initiative Acquisitions Pool, administered by the Smithsonian Women's History Initiative and from General Acquisitions Endowment Fund, 2020-14-3

1949



#920 decanter (USA)
Winslow Anderson
Gift of Damon Crain, 2012-16-4-a,b

1951



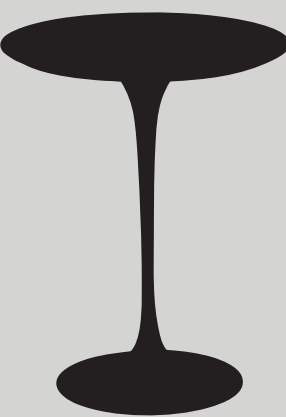
Anywhere lamp (USA)
Greta von Nessen
Gift of George R. Kravis II, 2014-25-3

1957



Superleggera side chair (Italy)
Gio Ponti
Gift of George R. Kravis II, 2013-54-1

1957



Tulip occasional table (USA)
Eero Saarinen
Gift of Mrs. Eric Larrabee, 1997-11-2

1964



Book cover (USA)
Elaine Lustig Cohen
Gift of Tamar Cohen and Dave Slutoff, 1993-31-62

1966



Bulb lamp (Germany)
Ingo Maurer
Gift of Ingo Maures, 2008-16-1-a/c

1966



Paper dress (USA)
Mars Manufacturing Company
Gift of Edna J. Curran, 1966-78-1

1968



Pillola lamps (Italy)
C. Emanuele Ponzio
Gift of George R. Kravis II, 2018-22-98/102

1970



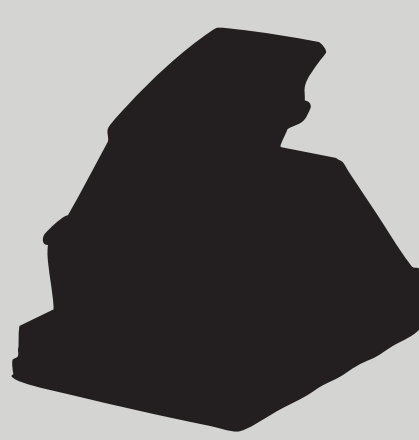
Videosphere portable television (Japan)
Victor Company of Japan, Ltd.
Gift of George R. Kravis II, 2018-22-51

1972



Stacking side chair (Switzerland)
Verner Panton
Gift of Robert Blach, 1977-1-1

1972



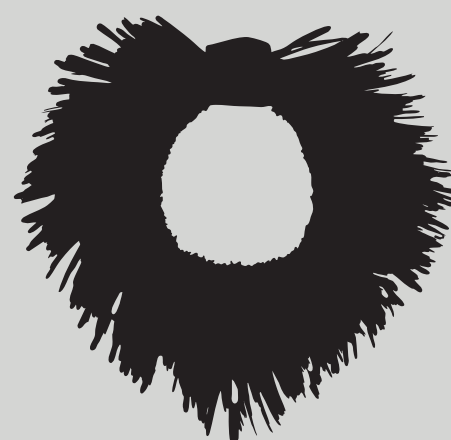
SX-70 instant camera (USA)
Henry Dreyfuss and James M. Conner
Museum purchase through gift of Neil Sellin, 1999-2-2-a,b

ca. 1974



Sculptura telephone (USA)
Donald M. Genaro
Gift of Donald M. Genaro, 2018-40-1

1983



Necklace (Norway)
Tone Vigeland
Museum purchase from Decorative Arts Association Acquisition Funds and General Acquisition Endowment, 1984-89-1

1988



Lola coffeepot prototype (USA)
Gerald Gulotta
Gift of Gerald Gulotta, 2009-16-6

1989



Recycle series vase (USA)
Constantin Boyen
Museum purchase through bequest of Ida McNeil in memory of Lincoln C. McNeil and Catherine McNeil, 1992-132-1-a,b

1992



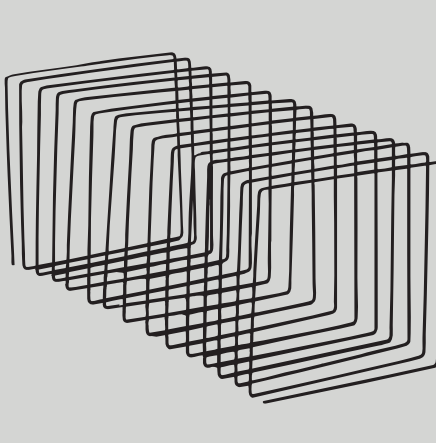
Malcolm X film poster (USA)
Art Sims
Gift of Art Sims, 1996-92-9

ca. 1992



AIDS awareness pin (USA)
James Arpad
Gift of Deane Granoff, 1993-61-4

ca. 1993



Windingen bracelet (Netherlands)
Marijke de Goey
Museum purchase from Decorative Arts Association Acquisition Fund, 1993-114-3

1993



Kin-der-Link stool (USA)
Bashir Zivari
Gift of Judith and Riaz Jarney, 1997-143-1

1994



Untitled #2 vase (England)
Magdalene A. N. Odundo DBE
Museum purchase from Charles E. Sampson Memorial Fund, 1997-23-1

1999



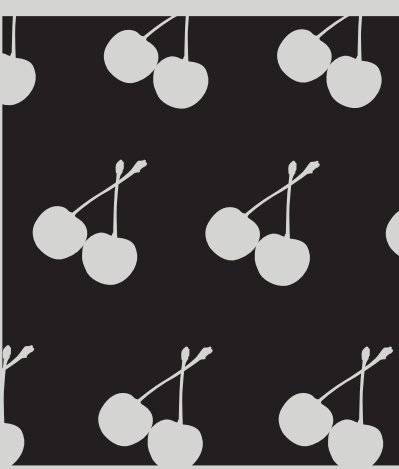
Spinning Whistle tea kettle (USA)
Michael Graves
Lilliane and David M. Stewart Collection, Gift of Dr. Michael Sze, 2005-21-1-a,b

2000



Porca Miserial lamp (Germany)
Ingo Maurer
Gift of Peter Norton, 2010-16-1

2007



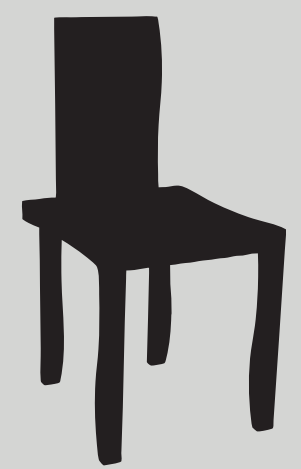
Cherry Forever wallpaper (USA)
Flavor Paper
Gift of Flavor Paper and Michael Angelo, 2007-36-1

2008



Cabbage chair (Japan)
nendo
Gift of Friedman Benda, New York and nendo, 2009-9-1

2010



10-Unit System chair (Finland)
Shigeru Ban
Gift of Artek, 2012-27-1

2011



Style Stiletto textile (Netherlands)
Marjo Penninx
Gift of Vlietco, 2015-1-18

2012



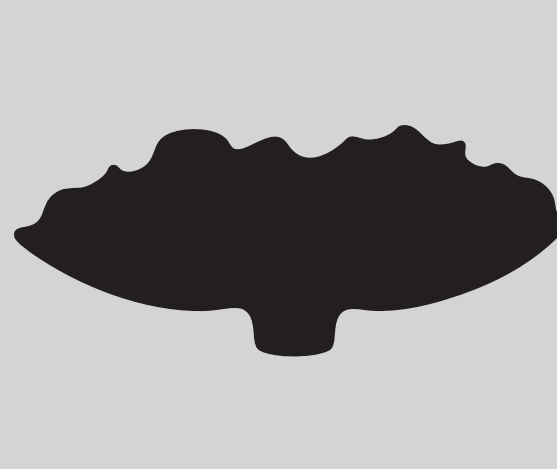
Tall Green Bloom urn (England)
Michael Eden
Museum purchase through gift of Elizabeth and Lee Ainslie and from General Acquisitions Endowment Fund, 2013-53-1

2013



Flex-Foot Cheetah® Xtrend Running Blade prosthetic (Iceland)
Van Phillips and Christophe Lecomte
Gift of Ossur North America, 2015-49-1

2023



Aurifero II vessel (USA)
Toots Zynsky
Museum purchase from General Acquisitions Endowment Fund, 2025-37-1

2024



Global Supply Chain Telephone Bag prototype (China)
MSCHF
Gift of MSCHF, 2025-27-6

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