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SEVENTY SIX YEARS

# Merchants Office Furniture

As Merchants celebrates 76 years in operation, we honor the intangibles that set us apart - our heritage, our people, and our customer. We have successfully thrived for three generations under the same family ownership and corporate structure. Reminiscent of our familial roots, Merchants has become a place of constant collaboration, challenges, and personal accountability.

We foster innovation through due diligence and fun. Our people work hard to delight our consumers - paying close attention to cultural uniqueness, keeping pace with new technology, drawing awareness to sustainable practices, empowering agility in everyday workspace, and (not least important) encouraging enjoyment along the way. We're confident visionary projects are fueled by an engaged, outgoing work environment.

Each generation of our family business has uniquely contributed to our company's success. Marvin Sanders, our grandfather, opened Merchants as a new and used office furniture store on Larimer Street in 1940. He built a brand on service, integrity, and accountability. Our father, Richard, carried on the used tradition by expanding into the rental industry while bringing 100+ new brands into Merchants portfolio.

As Marvin's four grand kids, we operate the business today in tandem with our father, Richard. We are always looking for ways to challenge the expected and bring something new and exciting. Our innovations are inspired by the insights we gain from our rich heritage and our loyal customers.

Jynx, Lexi, Zack, and Brooke

# SUNDOWNER POSTINO DENVER

This year's first NEWH social hour was held at a new hot spot called Postino located in Denver's LoHi neighborhood. We had one of our biggest attendances with nearly 40 people in attendance!

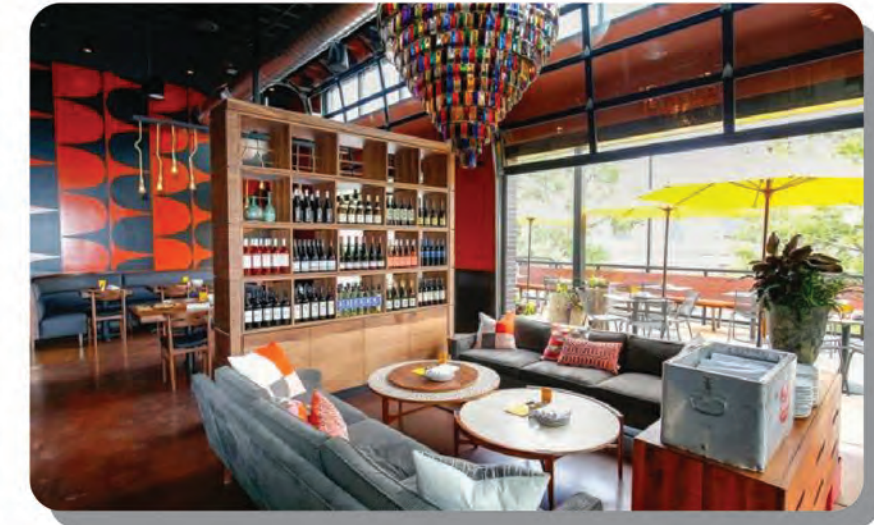
Postino originated in Arizona, with Colorado being its first out of state location. The owners purchased the old Denver Book Binding Company which previously occupied the space from 1964-2013 and gave it a mid-century modern vibe.

Keeping in mind how the space was previously used Postino features a large book wall as one of its main focal points in the restaurant. The books were donated by Arizona residents and were cut and stacked by hand. All the vintage furniture was sourced out of Arizona as well.



## Event Recap

# POSTINO



Postino has two design features that many wouldn't know about unless you ask. The Large printed wallpaper in the private party room was designed by Lenny Kravitz himself and the color chandelier hanging next to it is only one of two in the world out of South America.

One of the other biggest features of this new establishment is how it caters to Colorado's fantastic weather. Postino has a large patio area and three large garage doors that blend the inside with the outdoors.

We felt this was the perfect place to host the first social hour of the year and wish Postino tons of success with its new Colorado location! NEWH would like to thank all the members that attended and encourage all of you to attend our quarterly social hours to learn more fun facts about new hospitality venues in our city.



NEWH ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER WAS A PROUD PARTICIPANT IN NEWH INC'S FIRST EVER



BY NICOLE BRINDLE  
CHAPTER TREASURER AND LOCAL ARTIST



Art Melange is an event focused on raising scholarship funds for individual NEWH chapters. Chapter boards sponsor local artists and bring their work together for auction.

As a featured artist and board member of NEWH's Rocky Mountain Chapter, I was honored to be able to attend NEWH's very first Art M lange held at the International Polo Club in Palm Beach Florida.

Upon arrival, I was able to scope out the space, and view all of the incredible hand crafted items up for bid. The auction was a collection of paintings, drawings, sculptures and more from local designers, architects, and artisans.

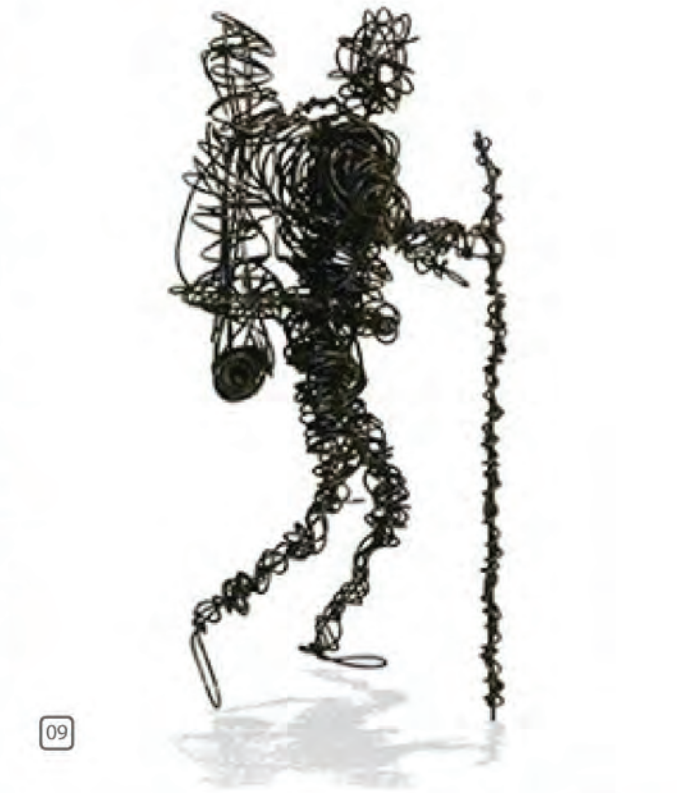
The event started off with an impressive brunch, and a wonderful Polo Match. Guests were able to begin bidding from patio tables while watching the sport. The patio was filled with fascinating people from all over the country. Some were there for the art and for others it was their love of Polo.

At half time "Divot Stopping" began. Hundreds of fans, including myself were able to rush the field to partake in "stomping" the divots back in place.

Once the match concluded, the celebration began. People were ushered back inside and the bidding intensified. Strangers conversed about the works and networked with professionals from across the country.

# ART MELANGE

# DONATED PIECES



As the first pieces came to stage for auctioning the atmosphere escalated and bids were cast. The excitement was overwhelming!

The mood and excitement carried through the rest of the night. Artwork was won, personal connections were made, and bonds were formed. The event was very successful with many pieces being auctioned off and the proceeds going to each chapter's scholarship funds.

All works that did not auction were placed in an Online auction that was be open to the public.



- 01 Day & Night - Alex Artista
- 02 Evolution - Ellen Wilson
- 03 Underwater Beauty - Robbie Ruhaak
- 04 Vice City Lights - Nicole Brindle
- 05 Angel Kisses YUCK - Jerry Miera
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- 07 Tango - Ian Cochrane
- 08 Lifting Love - Blythe Crowe
- 09 Backpacker - Ben Durham
- 10 Road Escape - Alex Artista

# SUNDOWNER ACE DENVER



## Event Recap

On May 10th NEWH Rocky Mountain hosted a Sundowner Happy Hour with EMU Americas at ACE in Denver. Dozens of design professionals gathered for networking, cocktails, and ping pong.

EMU Americas hosted a Networking Bingo and donated a beautiful Eclipse Patio Set as a prize. David Walker, a designer at Stantec in Boulder, was the lucky winner of the set.

Thank you EMU for helping put together such a fantastic event and for all the great photos!





# SEAT twenty sixteen

**Year after year**, the bar continues to rise on the success and showcased talent at our annual Haute Seat art and scholarship event. It is safe to say that after four amazing years, this year was the best year yet!

With 15 participating talented design firms and cutting-edge vendors, we had 15 unique chairs to showcase and auction off resulting in \$1,500 dollars to our local scholarship fund. We had a crowd of over 150 attendees all witnessing the Rocky Mountain's existing talent, as well as acknowledging upcoming professional talent with the announcement of our scholarship winners.



(Left) Sierra Teply,  
(center) Christeen Nicolaysen  
(right) Ashley James

Thanks to the outstanding support and success in 2015, our chapter was able to award \$9500 in scholarship funds to three lucky rocky mountain recipients: Christine Nicolaysen, Sierra Teply, and Ashley James.

Our scholarships and events would not be nearly as successful without the support of our local members, attendees, participants and of course sponsors.







This event is an art and design expression event conjoined with our annual scholarship announcement. The chair design competition pairs design firms with product reps and challenges them to design a chair using just an IKEA frame and rep supplied materials.

This years fifteen chairs were some of the best we have seen so far. Designers from Gensler, Stantec ViBE, Oglesby, BOX Studio, Bray Whaler, and many more partnered up with product reps including WilsonArt, ELA Sales, Bently, MDC, and others. Stantec ViBE and WilsonArt won highest bid for their faceted laminate draped chair.

A special thank you to Daltile for hosting the event, our chapter sponsors Aceray, Brintons, 3-Form, MDC, ELA sales, and our event sponsors ArcCom and CM Hospitality. Thank you to all who came out to support our event, and we look forward to raising the Haute Seat bar again in 2017!



# COMING EVENTS

- AUG GOLF TOURNAMENT
- SEPT MEMBERSHIP ROCKIES GAME
- DEC BOWLING EXTRAVAGANZA
- FEB LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

## MemberNews

Congratulations to Kelly Gavlick of Oz Architecture and Chelsea Lawrence of Rowland and Broughton on receiving their NCIDQ Certification!

Congratulations to the recent 2016 graduating classes:

- o Arapahoe Community College
- o The Art Institute of Colorado
- o Colorado State University
- o Denver University
- o Front Range Community College
- o Pikes Peak Community College
- o Red Rocks Community College
- o Rocky Mountain College of Art and Design

Be on the look-out for emerging professionals in the hospitality industries from the above programs!



Not a Golfer?  
Not a Problem!  
Don't miss out on  
all the other  
exciting events  
of the day!

# SAVE THE DATE AUGUST 2nd HIGHLANDS RANCH GOLF COURSE NEW GOLF EVENT

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