

Muller Van Severen launch new series ALLTUBES

Monday 25 May 2020 — The Belgian design duo Muller Van Severen launches ALLTUBES, a new series of objects consisting of the repetition of round aluminium tubes. The series includes several cabinets, a bench and a chair and forms a family with the same genes but different characters.

ALLTUBES

It is the repetition of this aluminium tube that recurs in all objects. Through the rhythm and repetition of the round shape, the objects are stripped of their severity. This also creates the wavy effect and gives the surface the opportunity to play with the light. By bringing together the same element each time, surfaces are created and the whole literally and figuratively gets a strength.

With the cabinets, the top surface gets a 'soft' side due to the confluence of the tubes at the top. Functions are created by an occasional simple fold. Like legs of a bench. In the case of the chair, the tube becomes both a leg and a banister or a seat in one flowing movement.

There are no hinges, rivets or door openings visible, they dissolve or visually disappear in the circuits of the round profiles. This makes the cabinets more like volumes, a kind of mysterious plinths, stripped of front, back or side. Only by extending the four tubes do these volumes come off the ground, and the tubes become legs or supports that illuminate the whole. They become free-standing objects in the space, characters in a setting.

"The title of the exhibition ALLTUBES refers to the repetition of the material and the material itself, in this case the aluminium tube. A new universe emerges from tubular constructions. The approach is always the same: start from an element to exploit its potential; see how far one can go with it. In the case of the cabinets, the repetitive rhythm of the pipes placed next to each other - causing undulations - makes you forget the coldness of the material. In the bench and the chair, bending the material softens its hardness." - Fien Muller & Hannes Van Severen

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

- ALLTUBES at Collectible Design Fair Brussels I 5-8 March

- ALLTUBES at Valerie Traan Antwerp I 12 - 29 March
- ALLTUBES at 'Design ! Muller Van Severen at Villa Cavrois' I 16 June - 31 October

MULLER VAN SEVEREN

Muller Van Severen was founded in the early Spring of 2011. With both Fien Muller and Hannes Van Severen being artists, it's natural that the collection sits somewhere between design and art. The couple has been on an inspired quest for sculpturally interesting furniture objects, always including the space around it, and characterized by a careful research into their shared passion for art, architecture and materials. At the same time Muller Van Severen's designs appear to be created almost intuitively and with total effortlessness. It looks as if the designers draw with crayons in space.

After winning countless awards and collaborating with prestigious museums (such as Vitra Museum, Centre Pompidou and Musée d'Art Decorative Paris) and galleries (Galerie Kreo, Side Gallery, Valerie Traan Gallery) worldwide, Muller Van Severen is considered to be one of the most image-defining European design teams of today. Their creations are globally identified in both private homes and public spaces.

All of Muller Van Severens own production pieces are handmade by small-scale fabricators and skilled artisans, with an honesty to the rawness and irregularity of the chosen material.