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Whitney Brothers® Live Edge Collection Earns *Interior Design Magazine* 2023 Best of Year Honoree Award

The complete furniture collection was selected from 722 entries submitted by 418 manufacturers in 29 countries and marks the company's second Best of Year award in the past three years.

Keene, NH – December 26, 2023– Acclaimed Early Learning furniture brand Whitney Brothers® today announced its new Live Edge Collection of furniture for preschool and kindergarten environments received a 2023 Best of Year Honoree award from *Interior Design* magazine.

Now in its 18th year, *Interior Design's* Best of Year contest is the preeminent global design awards program recognizing the most significant products and interior design projects of the year across a spectrum of commercial, institutional, residential, educational and contract categories. In the 2023 program, Best of Year jurors evaluated 722 entries submitted by 418 manufacturers from 29 countries. Awards were announced on December 7 in a live event in New York City hosted by Cindy Allen, editor-in-chief of *Interior Design*. The complete list of award winners can be seen [here](#).

“Best of Year is so crazy and so exciting,” said Allen. “These are the best of the best! There’s no shortage of innovation on display.”

Jurors cited how the engaging design of the Live Edge collection transforms a common table, chair or bench into an important contributor to the look, feel and appeal of an Early Learning environment. Live Edge tables and seating also coordinate with all other furniture pieces in Whitney Brothers® broader Nature View Collection, the world’s first biophilia-inspired furniture collection for Early Learning environments.

“We’re honored to receive this prestigious award again from *Interior Design*,” said Mike Jablonski, president of Whitney Brothers®. “It signals a clear understanding that biophilia design is important to our littlest learners because it can increase a child’s engagement with their learning environment and set the trajectory of their future positive learning outcomes. It’s another great example of the fresh design thinking that best distinguishes the Whitney Brothers® brand.”

About Whitney Brothers®

Founded in 1904, Whitney Brothers® invented furniture for Early Learning and institutional childcare and pioneered its commercial distribution through educational distributors and dealers in schools, childcare centers, Head Start facilities, churches, libraries, museums, and residential homes throughout North America and the world. The brand’s rich 120-year heritage spans old world craftsmanship blended with state-of-the-art CNC manufacturing technology to create award-winning products of uncompromising quality, design, innovation, safety, durability and value. Each product is UL GREENGUARD® Gold Certified, qualifies for LEED credits, meets or exceeds applicable CPSIA, ASTM and BIFMA requirements, is supported by a Limited Lifetime Warranty, and proudly made in America.

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About the Best of Year Awards

Interior Design's Best of Year Awards is the ultimate retrospective design awards program. Now in its 18th year, *Interior Design* Editor in Chief Cindy Allen has honored over 7,000 projects and products from over 500 global firms and manufacturers.

About GREENGUARD Certification

GREENGUARD Certification is part of UL Environment, a business unit of UL (Underwriters Laboratories). GREENGUARD Certification helps manufacturers create -- and help buyers identify -- interior products and materials that have low chemical emissions, improving the quality of the air in which the products are used. UL Environment acquired GREENGUARD in 2011, further advancing its mission of promoting global sustainability, environmental health, and safety.



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