

# April, 2020

## THE KMA SPEC

Architectural Products & Furnishings to Help  
Preserve & Protect Health!!



Bringing you up to date on KMA's unique architectural product collection!



Our world has changed so much in the last month. So many of us are now confined to our homes in hopes to "Flatten the Curve" on the Corona Virus. We must all continue to be extra cautious about disinfecting, cleaning, and shielding ourselves from contracting illness.

Several of our manufacturers have heard the call and reacted quickly to provide new products to help us in protecting ourselves & others in the workplace. This month we are going to explore these new offerings available. Also, this may be a good time while we are working from home to grab some CEU's offered by several of our represented KMA mfgs!

See page 2 for these opportunities!

### Carvart launches glassSCREEN > Shield!

Never before has the need for employee protection been as important as now! This newly developed 1/4" thick glass screen is easy and quick to mobilize and provides an effective screen for commercial transactions and reduces transmission of COVID-19 Corona virus. This self-standing unit is 44" tall, has rounded, polished edges and includes a transaction opening below the screen. Multiple sizes in width available.

You may have already seen some temporary dividers at your local grocery or big box hardware store. Those dividers are made from plastic or acrylic. Such materials hold on to bacteria longer in their porous surfaces. Carvart has developed this new system using glass and aluminum frames. These non-porous materials perform better and are safer because glass will not hold the bacteria on its surface as it may be consistently cleaned with even the harshest of chemicals. **Carvart's glassSCREEN Shield** is more permanent than just a piece of plastic hanging from a post at a register. Carvart is making this a "quick ship" item because the need is so great right now! (One week production time!) Please reach out to your KMA rep for pricing or questions!



### Update on OUR KMA Products meeting the *Healthier Hospitals Initiative:*

Healthier Hospitals (HH) makes it easier for hospitals to select furniture and materials that meet the Healthy Interiors goal of the Safer Chemicals Challenge. HH works with furniture and textile manufacturers to identify products that meet the Healthy Interiors goal. The goal requires participating hospitals to ensure that 30 percent of the annual volume of furnishings and furniture purchases (based on cost) eliminate the use of formaldehyde, perfluorinated compounds, polyvinyl chloride (PVC), antimicrobials, and all flame retardants.

**Sandler Seating** is proud to announce they now have products that are approved by Healthier Hospitals Initiative!

Visit the web site below, click on the Sandler logo, and you will view products that currently meet this criteria from our line. Visit:

<https://noharm-uscanada.org/content/us-canada/list-furniture-and-materials-meet-healthy-interiors-criteria>

**Mechoshade** also supports the Healthier Hospitals Initiative with the EcoVeil Sheer shade cloth collection. EcoVeil Sheer is a 100% polyester twill shade cloth woven from pigmented yarns in a soft palette, is the first window-covering textile to meet the Safer Chemicals Challenge. Available in a 1% or 3% open weave, it diffuses natural light and offers a chic look, all without chemicals of concern.

Visit: <https://www.mechoshade.com/products/shadecloth/sustainability-and-performance/#ecoveil-sheer>



### **FACT not FEAR: All Sandler Seating WOOD-LOOK Collection Chairs are deemed anti-microbial!**

Over 20 common cleaners and disinfectants have been tested on Woodlook® frames with Spectrum Vinyls upholstery featuring PreFixx, with no discoloration or damage. Check out the official report on the link below:

<https://www.sandlerseating.com/resources/certificates?section=woodlook>



## On-line Learning Opportunities Available!

Our manufacturers are offering some wonderful learning opportunities and now may be a good time for you to participate in webinars or **self-guided CEUs** while working from home.

Also, even for **product updates**, your KMA & Associates are up for the task to provide remote updates via Go-to-Meeting. We can schedule and send invites to you and your co-workers to participate from your home offices. We would each welcome these opportunities as we miss seeing you in your studio/offices!



**Mechoshade, the number one leader in commercial roller shades, offers several self-directed CEUs through partnership with AEC Daily.**

Sponsored By Mecho:

### ***Turn on the Daylight: Automated Shading for Human Health + Building Performance***

Description: A large portion of new commercial and residential buildings built today are equipped with clear, floor-to-ceiling glass. Does this new expansive area of glass lead to daylight optimization? This course explains the impacts of daylighting on human health and building occupant comfort. Proactive and reactive automated shading systems are discussed, and the course explains how a properly designed shading system can reduce whole-building energy consumption. Automated shading systems in projects of various scopes and scales are also discussed.

Prerequisites: No

Course Level: Introductory

Presented by: Rachel Berman, Mecho, Inc.

[https://www.aecdaily.com/course.php?node\\_id=2001188&tabidx=viewcoursedetails&company=Mecho](https://www.aecdaily.com/course.php?node_id=2001188&tabidx=viewcoursedetails&company=Mecho)

Another self-guided CEU offered by Mecho:

### ***Daylight and Window Management with Automated Controls***

Description: Automated-shading systems are designed to maximize natural daylight, increase building energy efficiency, and ensure occupants have a comfortable environment with views to the outside. This course will explain how an automated shading system predicts, monitors, and responds to the daily microclimate surrounding a building to effectively manage daylight, solar-heat gain, occupant comfort levels, and energy use demands.

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Course # MACBS01

1 CEU/HSW Learning Credit

Your KMA rep can schedule to present this at your convenience by Go-To-Meeting. Let us know if you're interested!



How about a quick, (5 minute) overview of the **UNIKA VAEV 2020 NEW ACOUSTIC INTRODUCTIONS?**

Visit this YouTube link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l95qTFzniW4&feature=youtu.be>

You'll get a very condensed presentation of many, many products with great images and product information.

Unika Vaev does such a great job of making their product info available on-line! Visit this weblink for more great videos on Unika Vaev products.

<https://vimeo.com/unikavaev>