**Press release 01 2015** - Imperfect Design launches Cantel glass candlesticks designed by Van Eijk & Van der Lubbe



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Imperfect Design will show its newest collection at Design Post in Cologne (18 - 25 jan) and at the Maison & Objet in Paris (23-27 jan/Hal 8 stand D112).

In 2011 Van Eijk & van der Lubbe travelled to Guatemala to design the first collection for Imperfect Design. The Dutch designers and the glass blowers from Guatemala managed to overcome the large differences in culture and the way of working during an intensive and inspiring collaboration. Van Eijk & Van der Lubbe used local techniques and materials as a starting point for their designs. The result: a pure and eye-catching collection of vases made of recycled glass.

The success of this extraordinary collaboration inspired us to continue working on new items with the craftsmen from Guatemala. In 2014 a new Cantel collection consisting of vases, carafes and drinking glasses was introduced. At Design Post Cologne and at the Maison & Objet in Paris Imperfect Design will introduce new Cantel glass candlesticks, made by local glass blowers in different shades of recycled glass. Each candlestick comes with a handmade candle of certified palm wax.

With the expansion of functionality and models the Cantel collection develops into a harmonious landscape of hand-blown glass in different shades of recycled glass. At the same time a long lasting collaboration offers new opportunities for the local glass blowers and their communities in Guatemala.



## Van Eijk & van der Lubbe

Their own work is featured in museums and galleries across the globe, but Van Eijk & Van der Lubbe also design exhibitions for others as well as spatial concepts for public buildings. As enthusiastic advocates of Dutch Design, they enjoy giving lectures and teaching. They are willing participants in debates and brainstorms and are always hungry for a good discussion about strategy or vision. In short, Van Eijk & Van der Lubbe are at home in many fields. Their style is characterized by its diversity, both in materials and results, yet one thing unites their work: there is always an extra layer – something to make you look twice. Their aim? To create an experience that engages, astounds and opens eyes as well as minds.

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## **Imperfect Design**

Imperfect Design makes handcrafted lifestyle products. These products are designed by Dutch designers in collaboration with local craftsmen and craftswomen in developing countries and emerging markets. The combination of handcrafted products and leading Dutch design makes each item unique.

In 2011 Niels van Eijk & Miriam van der Lubbe were the first to travel for Imperfect Design. They developped a collection of recycled glass with craftsmen in Guatemala. In 2012 Arian Brekveld went to Vietnam, where he designed a collection ceramics, textiles and lacquer work. In 2013 and 2014 Studio Makkink & Bey collaborated with craftsmen in India.

### **Fairs**

Design Post Keulen – January 18<sup>th</sup>. – 25<sup>th</sup>. 2015

In the showroom of Spectrum in Design Post Köln

Design Post Köln, Deutz-Mülheimer-Str. 22a, D-50679 Köln, www.designpostkoeln.de

Maison & Objet Parijs – January 23<sup>rd</sup>. to 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Hall 8/stand D112

Show UP Vijfhuizen (The Netherlands) – February 1st. & 2nd, 2015

Expo Haarlemmermeer/ Stelling 1 / Vijfhuizen (close to Schiphol airport)

Stand 154

Munich Creative Business Week (Febuary 24th. - March 1st)

The Cheese Maker by Studio Makkink & Bey will be part of the exhibition:

Hit the future - Metropolitan Ideas

Alte Kongreshalle, Theresienhoehe 15, 80339 Munchen

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