

Brian Kane Furniture designer

Hometown: San Francisco, California

Product spotlight: HON's Flock™ Collaborative Solutions



"Flock is designed to keep users connected to one another as well as to their traditional workspaces. If one prefers to perch and type, if a duo wants to corral two ottomans and sit to review a report, or if a team needs furniture for a roundtable discussion — Flock provides a solution, no matter where and how people want to work." — *Brian Kane, designer of Flock* 

## **About Kane**

Brian Kane — who heads his own namesake design studio in San Francisco — is the designer of Flock, his first venture together with <u>The HON Company</u>.

Kane's background is deeply rooted in contract furnishings design. Following his graduation from the University of Bridgeport, Connecticut, in 1970 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Design, he worked for several NYC design studios and spent a year in Milan, Italy, working for Architect Silvio Coppola. His projects included the design of seating and casegoods for such companies as Mobil Italia Spa and Bernini Spa. Upon returning to New York, he joined Atelier International, where he worked on contract furniture design projects, showroom design and the start-up of U.S. production of the innovative Italian designs of Cassina, B&B and Tecno.

Kane joined the design staff at Metropolitan Furniture Corporation (Metro) in 1977. Less than three years later, he became one of four partners assuming ownership of the firm, and took on the responsibilities of vice president of design and product development. When Steelcase acquired Metro in 1987, Kane remained in his leadership role managing all aspects of Metro's design, including products, showrooms and graphics.

Since its founding in 1989, Kane Design Studio has been involved in the design and development of products for Metro, Steelcase, Turnstone, Carnegie, Landscapeforms, Bernhardt Furniture Co., Martin/Brattrud Inc, Interprofil Gmb, Falcon, Howe, Halcon, Tuohy, Fixtures, HBF, Coalesse, Decca, Herman Miller, and most recently — The HON Company.

Kane's designs have won over 80 design awards and have been exhibited at the Whitney and Brooklyn Museums in New York and the Museum of Modern Art in San Francisco.

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