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Access TCA, Inc., Whitinsville, MA - <http://www.accesstca.com>
David Eurtton, Creative Team Leader | Dana Esposito, Senior Exhibit Designer
Access TCA, Inc. designs custom tradeshow exhibits, mobile selling environments, corporate showrooms and lobbies.

Altitude Inc., Somerville, MA - <http://www.altitudeinc.com>
Gregor Mittersinker, Director of Industrial Design
Altitude is a product development firm offering research, product visualization, industrial design and engineering services. Wide variety of clients in the areas of consumer and medical products.

Carroll Design, Westford, MA - <http://www.carrolldesign.com>
Steve Johnson '82/ID, President
Carroll Design is a product development consulting firm that guides clients from the design process to the creation of their products and their ultimate sales.

City Joinery, Brooklyn, NY - <http://www.cityjoinery.com>
Jonah Zuckerman, Founder & Owner
City Joinery is a Brooklyn based company making new furniture one piece at a time. Our designs are contemporary; pared down forms, taut lines, unexpected and sometimes contrasting surfaces.

Continuum, West Newton, MA - <http://www.dcontinuum.com>
Sean Brennan '04/ID, Envisioner
Continuum creates strategies, develops products and enhances brands for companies worldwide.

Design Communications, Ltd., Boston, MA - <http://www.dclboston.com/>
Mike McCarthy, General Manager | Penny Burns, Human Resources Director
Design Communications, Ltd. specializes in the management, engineering, fabrication, and implementation of custom signage, graphics and architectural specialty elements.

Dror, New York, NY - <http://www.studiodror.com>
Evan Clabots '04/ID, Product Division Head
Dror is a multidisciplinary design company founded in 2002 by Dror Benshetrit specializing in product design, architecture and art direction.

Ecolect, Providence, RI - <http://www.ecolect.net>
Matt Grigsby '05/ID, CEO + Co-Founder
Ecolect is the world's leading online database of environmentally friendly materials. Geared towards designers and architects, ecolect.net provides professionals with invaluable resources about green materials and their uses.

Essential Inc., Boston, MA - <http://www.essential-design.com>
Jan Schminke, Creative Director
Essential aligns user desires, business needs and design vision in the pursuit of more compelling user, product and brand experiences.

Farm, Hollis, NH - <http://www.farmdesigninc.com>
Rose Anderson, Designer Manager | Steven Vordenberg, Designer Manager
Farm is a full-service, FDA and ISO compliant product development company with over 30 years of success in delivering product strategy, technology and development for the medical, laboratory and consumer industries.

Fred/Easy Aces Inc., Cumberland, RI - <http://www.worldwidedfred.com>
Jason Amendolara '94/IL, Design Director/Small Engine Repair
Fred is a company that designs and produces cool house wares and gifts.

Frog Design, New York, NY - <http://www.frogdesign.com>
Jonas Damon '93/ID, Creative Director
Frog Design not only covers a broad range of disciplines, but is also internationally spread throughout many different countries. The main focus for Frog is communications which in itself touches many different industries and technologies.

Hasbro, Pawtucket, RI - <http://www.hasbro.com>
Georgina Melone '85/IL, Director, Future Now
Hasbro creates children's and family leisure time entertainment products and services, including the design, manufacture and marketing of games and toys.

INVIVIA, Cambridge, MA - <http://www.invivia.com>
S. Adrian Massey, III '01/ID, Adventurist | David Register, Architecturist
INVIVIA is a multidisciplinary interactive firm that researches and develops innovative ideas, spaces, and objects. Creating solutions that work, amuse, and delight, we bringing together talents from design, engineering, business, and philosophy

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Kaiju Studios, Providence, RI - <http://www.kaijustudios.com>
Ayako Takase '99/ID, Co-Founder/Design Director
Cutter Hutton '99/ID, Co-Founder/Design Director
Kaiju Studios is an interdisciplinary design firm passionate about creating meaningful products and experiences through poetic simplicity, innovative thinking and elegance in form and function. The firm focuses on leveraging design to create compelling products, furniture and interactive solutions.

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KVA - Kennedy & Violich Architecture, Ltd, Boston, MA - <http://www.kvarch.net>
Sloan Kulper '06/MID, Industrial Designer & Engineer
KVA is a professional practice that explores new possibilities for architecture and urbanism in the contemporary public realm.

Nemo Equipment, Inc. - Nashua, NH • <http://www.nemoequipment.com/>
Cam Brensinger '02/ID, President
The heart of NEMO is a small team of talented young designers and engineers with a passion for both creating and using the best quality, highest performance products for outdoor adventure.

Reebok, Canton, MA - <http://www.reebok.com>
Caitlin Spaulding '07/ID, Designer
Sandra Kogut, Intern Coordinator
Reebok is a global sports and fitness company. They are a leader in the design and development of authentic products and service, and influence the athletic lifestyle trends of the world.

Robert A. M. Stern Designs, LLC, New York, NY - <http://www.ramscollection.com>
Nathaniel Pearson '93/ID, Designer
The product design staff of Robert A.M. Stern Architects collaborates closely with their architects and interior designers to develop new products. Categories include decorative objects for the table, furniture, outdoor furniture, garden ornament, lighting, fabrics, tile, carpeting, wallcoverings and hardware.

SOM - Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, New York, NY - <http://www.som.com>
Jeff Hannoosh '00/ID, Industrial Designer
SOM is a worldwide design firm that believes greatly in finding and aiding emerging talents by sponsoring students in their travel and thus expanding on their experiences of history and culture.

Staples, Inc., Framingham, MA - <http://www.staples.com>
Chad Kendall, Product Designer, Staples Brand Group | Kim Song Product Designer Co-op, Staples Brand Group
Staples is the world's largest office products company offering a wide range of products including supplies, technology, furniture and business services. Staples serves consumers and business ranging from home-based businesses to Fortune 500 companies in 21 countries throughout North and South America, Europe and Asia

Stride Rite Corporation, Lexington, MA - <http://www.strideritecorp.com/home.asp>
Marc Loverin, Director of Design, Stride Rite Children's Group | James Zabala, Designer, Sperry Top-Sider
Nikki Nieto, Sr. Designer, Keds | Courtney Roy, Human Resources | Heather O'Connell, Director of Staffing
The Stride Rite Corporation is the leading marketer of high quality children's footwear in the United States and is a major marketer of athletic and casual footwear for children and adults.

Tovin Design Limited, Nyack, NY - <http://www.tovindesign.com>
Blake Tovin, Principal
Tovin Design Limited is a furniture design and licensing company located north of Manhattan in Nyack, New York. We develop proprietary products including furniture, lighting and textiles for leading retailers and manufacturers.

Uhuru Design, Brooklyn, NY - <http://www.uhurudesign.com>
David Gaynor '04/FD, Project Manager
Uhuru is a design/build furniture studio with an emphasis on sustainability. We make high-end furniture out of wood, metal and found objects.

West Elm, Brooklyn, NY - <http://www.westelm.com>
Paulo Kos, Director of Furniture Design
West Elm is a premier specialty home furnishing retailer that markets their brand through stores, catalogs and the Internet and creates furniture, lighting, textiles and decorative accessories for the home.

Ximedia, Providence, RI - <http://www.ximedita.com>
Ryan Shafer, Design Director | MarK Guarraia, '05/ID, Designer
Ximedita specializes in the design, development, and supply of innovative new medical devices. Both FDA and ISO certified, Ximedita employs over 100 talented designers, researchers, and engineers through their Providence and Hong Kong offices.

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