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## Sleek furniture designs for NEW exhibition at UTAS

UTAS students from the School of Architecture and Design have landscaped the NEW Gallery at Inveresk with 220 timber pallets donated by the Queenstown Copper Mine for the *Discovering design through engineering* exhibition.

Tasmanian Governor the Honourable Peter Underwood will officially open the exhibition tomorrow (**Wednesday 4 July**) at 5.30pm.

Until early August, members of the public can view a selection of stylish furniture pieces and decorative items produced by nine craftspeople.

Furniture program director Simon Ancher said two staff members and seven second- and third-year students were chosen to exhibit.

Some of the work includes:

**Coffee table and bowl by Matthew Pearson** – Exploring machining processes. Matthew has pushed the boundaries of form and created his design with constant physical modelling, analysing and critiquing.

**Artist's desk by Clifford Anderson** - During the process of designing this piece, Clifford focussed on function rather than form. His eureka moment came when reviewing his final drop-desk design and realised that not only had he fulfilled the practical brief but also produced a piece of inherent balance and beauty.

**Aluminium folded shelf by Cameron Bardell** - Horizontal planes in sheet metal create constant and simple geometric forms in this piece. The idea that horizontal planes are related to a sense of steadiness, relaxation and inactivity is explored.

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