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New Products

Landscape products can bring the exterior areas of a building down to human scale, provide secure public spaces, and help protect the natural environment. To learn about the newest resources available, **landscape architects, urban planners, and other design professionals** will gather at the American Society of Landscape Architects' 2003 Meeting & Expo, held 10/30-11/3 in New Orleans. *Rita F. Catinella*

Colorful concrete site furnishings

Kornegay Design, a source for cast-concrete site amenities, has introduced a new concrete bench and two new styles of landscape containers. The firm was formed after designer Larry Kornegay learned about the poor selection of planters on the market appropriate for a contemporary residence.

"I design with the intention of providing a key transition between structure and surrounding landscape," explains Kornegay. "The human scale of planters and benches presents opportunities for individual interaction with man-made objects that I hope will enhance public awareness of the multitude of visual delights to be discovered in urban and natural

surroundings."

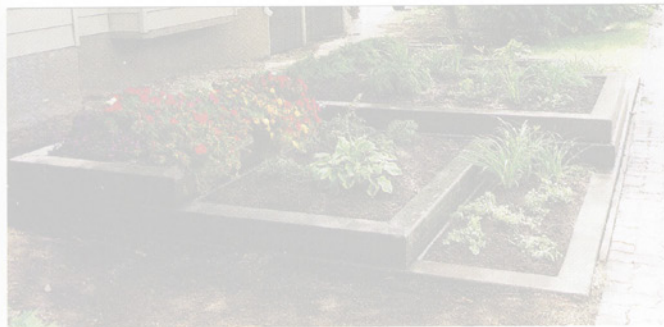
For his newest bench design, Kornegay combined a base made of multicolored cast-concrete disks and a wood-textured concrete plank. The disks can be colored according to site requirements.

The Mex Bold Series of landscape containers replicates the natural ridges of a melon or cactus, and the Square Series showcases the potential for smooth surfaces in concrete. These two series join three other planters already in the collection: the spherical Nutshell, featuring an outer surface texture reminiscent of walnut shells; the crisply geometric Faceted Series; and the softer, flowing Ribbed



Series. All products are available in a wide-spectrum palette of integral pigments as well as natural concrete color. 480/967-6787. Kornegay Design, Tempe, Ariz. **CIRCLE 215**

The Happy Trail Bench and Mex Bold Series showcase the potential of colored concrete in landscapes.



Planters are one of the applications of the recycled product.

Parking curbs that may have been your old Buick

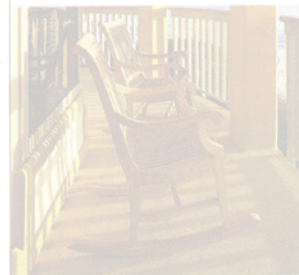
In response to a demand for alternative composite materials, Universal Forest Products has expanded its product mix to include XPotential Products, a line of recycled multipurpose posts, landscape ties, and parking curbs made from recycled automobiles. Based in Canada, XPotential Products manufactures plastic components with 100 percent recycled materials, including the nonmetallic by-product

of recycled automobiles, such as fabric, carpet, paint, foam, and post-consumer/industrial plastics. With a life expectancy of 75-100 years, according to the manufacturer, the products are designed to outlast and outperform concrete, reducing maintenance and replacement costs found with traditional concrete or wood alternatives. The composite has a shock-absorbing capability that makes it less prone to chipping

and cracking, and it will not twist, splinter, rot, or decay due to weather, pests, road salt, or chemicals. However, the flexural strength of the composite is less than that of wood, and it should not be substituted for wood products without regard to engineering considerations and testing for the intended application. 800/598-9663. Universal Forest Products, Grand Rapids. **CIRCLE 216**

Teak rocking chair

The Avignon rocker has detailing worthy of formal dining furniture, yet its Grade A quality teak construction makes it at home outdoors. The rocker features a dished seat, concave back, and scrolled arms. The front of the rocker's seat meets the back of the knee in a smooth curve that won't cut off circulation. A new table also joins the Avignon Collection. 800/981-9888. Smith & Hawken, Novato, Calif. **CIRCLE 217**



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