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MEADOWS SERVICE GROUP:
FURNITURE MAINTENANCE PROGRAMS

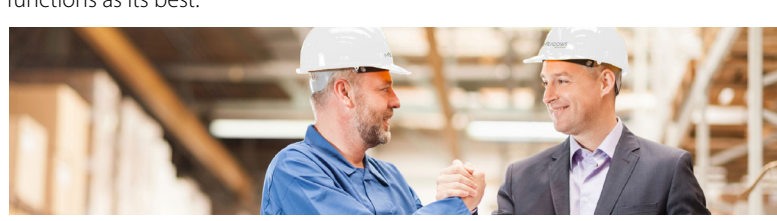


Buying office furniture can be a substantial expenditure for any company. At Meadows, we are committed to helping you make the most of this investment, by not only selecting the best products to meet your needs, but also developing a plan to keep them in good working condition. Developed from our almost 50 years of experience and feedback from our clients, Meadows Service Group has launched our Furniture Maintenance Program (FMP) to achieve this very goal.

Perfect for boardrooms, workstations, and common spaces, ChargeSpot is conveniently installed beneath table surfaces to create a wireless charging spot while maintaining the structural and aesthetic integrity of the furniture. In addition, wireless charging through magnetic induction has proven to be extremely effective, charging devices at 90% the speed of a typical charging cable.

A traditional desk chair can be used for countless hours virtually every day. If neglected, this amount of use can result in significant wear and tear. Whether it be dust, loose screws, or any other malfunctioning component, the integrity of the chair can be compromised if not properly maintained. These same signs of everyday use can be prevalent throughout all office furniture, from finish damage to drawers that need alignment. Luckily, with the diligent efforts of the Meadows Service Group team, your office furniture can stay looking, and functioning, the way it should. Our Furniture Maintenance Programs have the ability to service all furniture, conference rooms, private offices, storage areas, breakrooms, as well as specialized cleaning for any custom furniture.

We can design a maintenance schedule that matches your requirements--monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, even on-call with no subscription. To get started, Meadows Service Group will send our team of highly qualified FMP technicians to your location and provide an assessment of all office furniture. Next we develop a strategy to assure your furniture investment is protected and your office looks and functions as its best.



Email us at support@MeadowsServiceGroup.com to schedule your furniture assessment today.

INTRODUCING FERN™ BY HAWORTH



Introducing Haworth's latest innovative seating design: Fern™. Inspired by and named after the vascular plant, Fern seeks to introduce a new seating experience, one that is conscious of both form and function. Thanks to extensive research and testing, Haworth has released a product that literally inverts the way chairs are traditionally made.

Haworth has revolutionized traditional design with this ergonomic chair by focusing on comfort from the outside-in. With Fern, dimensional suspension is concealed, like an endoskeleton. Most chairs on the market have an exoskeleton design.

Haworth believes that by making this shift they have created the world's first global chair. The combination of the ergonomic benefits and the nature of the design makes their product both aesthetically pleasing and appropriate for a variety of workspaces. Haworth has once again delivered a phenomenal, ground-breaking product that has the capacity to be in every office across the globe. **Contact Meadows Office Interiors to schedule a demo of Fern today!**

Designer Picks



TANNIS FINCH

Senior Designer/Account Manager, PMP, LEED AP ID+C

"HighTower's Happy Lounge chairs, from designer Roger Persson, are a favorite of mine. I like the design of these and have specified them for several open lounge meeting areas. I've also used them for Mother's Rooms with the matching ottomans. It's nice because of the style but also the choice of low or high back and the 3 different base options. It can even work nicely to mix and match these options within the same project. There is a Happy family of seating from stack chairs to sofas."

Happy Lounge by HighTower



What We've Been Reading

"Are outdoor offices the next revolution?"

— Washington Post

"The 13 Best New Decorating Books of 2015"

— Architectural Digest

"Best of NeoCon"

— Kontor

"Designers Select: Seating"

— Contract Magazine

"The Magic Bullet of Workplace Design?"

— Metropolis

In Our Showroom...



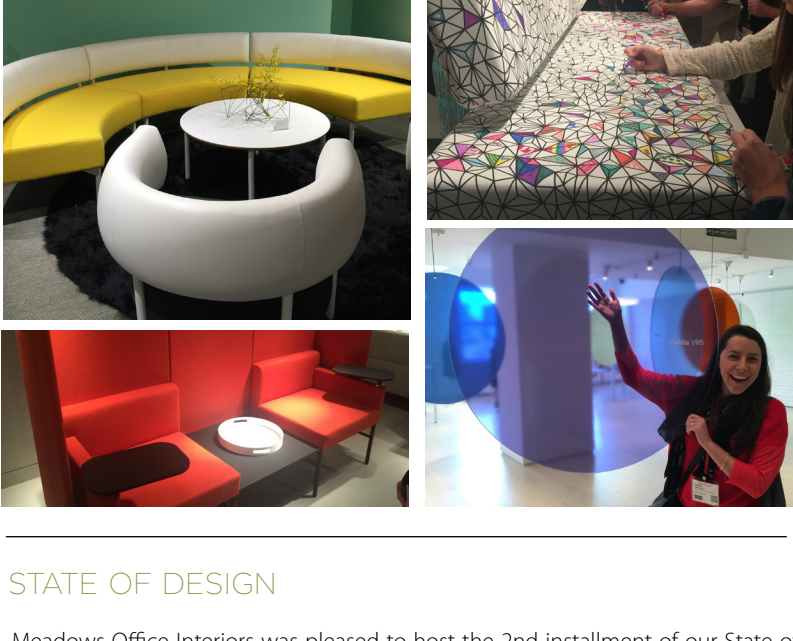
THE TAKE-OFF ROOM

This jewel box is conveniently located on the Northside of the showroom and was developed to be the perfect space for employee collaboration and creativity. Equipped with digital collaboration tools and created with Enclose moveable walls fitted with Smart Glass, it's a great spot for impromptu meetings or as an area of respite from the bustling open office. Featured products include Cappellini Hi Pad Stools and a Haworth Planes Table.

NEOCON 2016



Since its first show in 1969, NeoCon has become one of the preeminent contract furniture trade shows in the nation. Featuring over one million feet of exhibition space, each year NeoCon launches thousands of products and sets the stage for new designs and styles. Meadows Office Interiors sent its executive team, account managers and designers to the show and were excited to take notes on the latest workplace trends and new releases. We look forward to applying our observations and the insights gleaned from NeoCon towards assisting our clients in designing their own spaces.



STATE OF DESIGN

Meadows Office Interiors was pleased to host the 2nd installment of our State of Design Series on June 23rd with Metropolis Magazine. The focus of this installment revolved around Age-Neutral Design, and Susan S. Szenasy (Editor in Chief, Metropolis) led a fantastic panel that included Gabrielle Rubin Deveau (Senior Director of Corporate Real Estate, BuzzFeed), Simon Speak (Business Development Director, Haworth), and Tom Krizmanic (AIA, LEED AP, Principle, STUDIOS Architecture). The discussion showcased how companies can harness diversity as a source of both creativity and productivity by taking a critical look at the design of their workplace. Stay tuned for our upcoming State of Design events in September: Distraction-Free Design and November: Designing for Wellness, both of which also qualify for CEU credits.



MEADOWS CELEBRATES Summer Fridays!

It has become a Meadows' tradition to reward our team for their hard work and dedication by closing a few hours earlier on Fridays during the summer. **From Memorial Day through Labor Day we will kick-off our weekends at 3PM.** As always, our customers and projects remain top priority so we are always available whenever needed.

Recent Events

MEADOWS SEES RED

Again this year, Meadows got silly in support of Red Nose Day. Hosting a "red" breakfast feast and donning our red noses, the Meadows team was excited to support this important cause and help lift children out of poverty.

Through the generosity of our team we exceeded our fundraising goal and Meadows matched all donations made on Meadows' Red Nose Fundraising website.

Red Nose Day has raised over \$1 billion globally in the last 25 years. Half of the money distributed by Red Nose Day 2016 is spent right here in the U.S. The other half is spent in some of the poorest communities in Latin America, Asia, and Africa. All money raised supports projects that ensure kids are safe, healthy, and educated.



Employee Spotlight



PAUL BECKER
Senior Account Manager

Paul's impressive career in the contract furniture industry started at a restaurant. He was a server at a country club while attending design school, when a member and manager of a dealership offered him his first project manager job. He has been leading projects and accounts since. Paul oversees all project aspects from spec to post-installation – putting his design education from the New York School of Interior Design to good use.

A Meadows Office Interiors veteran, Paul worked at the firm for 17 years then pursued other opportunities before returning in November 2015. He says as he has seen the industry evolve he is most grateful for the way technology has advanced with it, especially with electrical modular systems. As for his day-to-day role, he believes what makes it unique is that there is always some aspect of the project that requires him to have a deeper understanding of the complexity of the issue. He says flexibility, problem solving and having a breadth of knowledge of all components are key.

In his free time Paul loves to bike. He usually rides around Manhattan, where he lives, and nearby, but has taken his hobby internationally. He recently did a hike and bike trip to China where he hiked unconstructed parts of the Great Wall and biked in Beijing and to the Terracotta Army sculptures in Xi'an. This summer Paul will return to the Telluride Film Festival in Colorado to take in fresh air and cinema. He loves that the festival's films have not yet premiered in the U.S. and that there is always a silent film accompanied by an orchestra.

A few of Paul's favorite things...

- He loves complex dishes (makes sense for a project manager who sees the beauty in the complex)
- Summer in New York's outdoor culture from Shakespeare in the Park to concerts
- Reading everything from fiction (check out *Flight Behavior* by Barbara Kingsolver, he says) to political ideologies and biographies
- His family who are close by in the City and the northeast

Everybody Loves Paul

We asked Paul's colleagues to tell us their favorite things about working with him.

"My favorite thing about Paul is his energy and passion for the furniture industry. Working with Paul has given me a new perspective on using Haworth furniture and space planning."

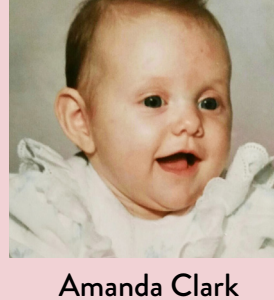
— Courtney Anthony, Designer

"Paul is very focused on providing the best project management and customer service possible for his clients. His attention to detail and work ethic are amazing. He also likes grilled cheese sandwiches which makes him alright in my book!"

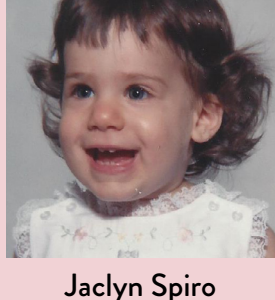
— Dana Justus, EVP

Bringing Up BABY

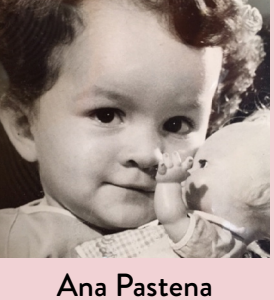
Check Out these Adorable Future Meadows Office Interiors Professionals!



Amanda Clark
Designer



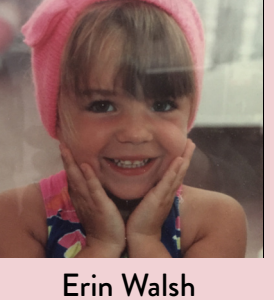
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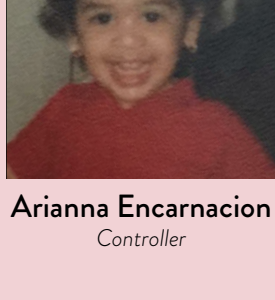
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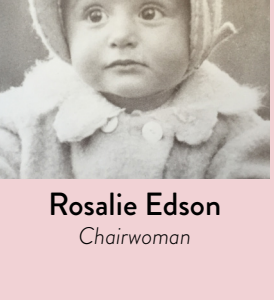
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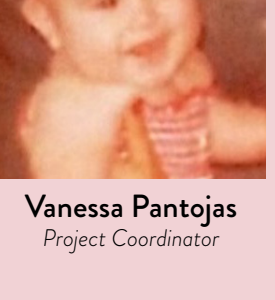
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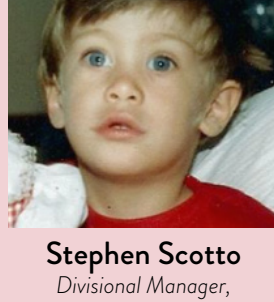
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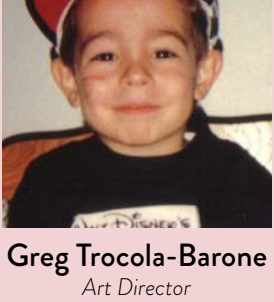
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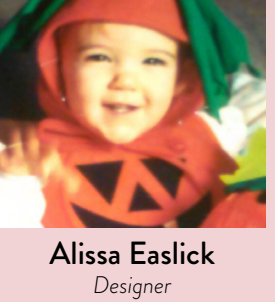
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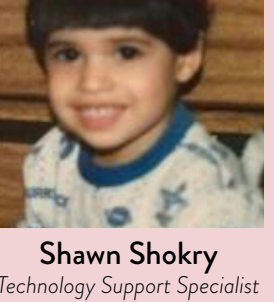
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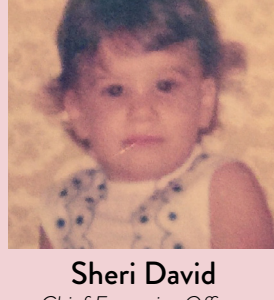
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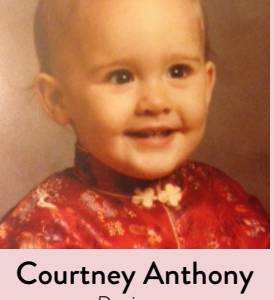
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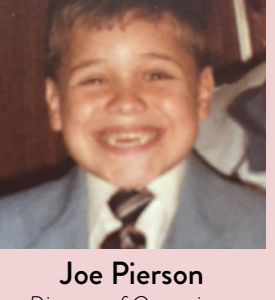
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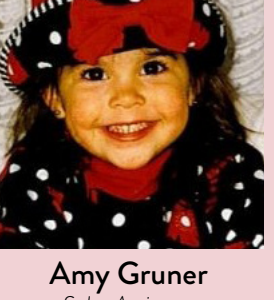
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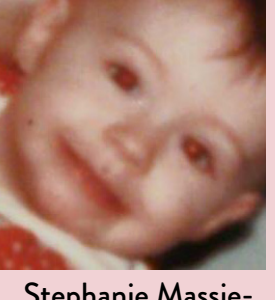
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