



Gernot Künzel was born 1978 in Stuttgart, Germany and studied Industrial design at the State Academy of Art and Design Stuttgart, Germany, les Ateliers/ENSCI Paris, France, and the University of Arts and Design Helsinki, Finland, and completed his Diploma degree successfully in July 2005 in Stuttgart.

During his studies he worked in cooperation with a wide range of companies such as Opa, Lival, Osram Finland, HYY Group, Festo. His professional experience ranges from working in several design studios in the fields of product, interior and strategic design and architecture and ranges to having his own entrepreneurial practice. He recently has been working at a leading manufacturer where he developed innovative products from idea to market.

He likes an approach that is connected to humans, during work and in design, and shows clarity, cleverness and humor.

Lately he relocated to Amsterdam in the Netherlands.

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Professional experience

- July 2006 - Aug 2007 Industrial Designer, Design and Development
Nimbus GmbH, manufacturer of led lighting and acoustic space dividers, Stuttgart, Germany
- Aug 2005 - May 2006 Industrial Designer, Freelance
Navman / Brunswick Automotive Europe, Heilbronn, Germany
Plana Küchenland Linzenz + Marketing GmbH, Stuttgart, Germany
- July 2005- Sept 2005 Product Designer
Ippolito Fleitz Group, Identity Architects, Stuttgart, Germany

Work experience

- June 2005 Mini-Internship
Industrial Facility, Sam Hecht, London, Great Britain
- June 2004 - Sept 2004 Internship
Studio Suppanen, Helsinki, Finland
- Aug 2001 - Dez 2001 Internship and part-time work
Code.2.Design, Stuttgart, Germany
- May 2000 - Oct 2000 Internship
Tricon Design, Kirchentellinsfurt, Germany
- Jan 2000 - April 2000 Practical training
ET stainless steel technique company, Asperg, Germany
- July 1999 - Dec 1999 Practical training
Kurz, mold- and model-maker, Höfingen, Germany

Education

- Oct 2000 - July 2005 Diplom Designer Industrial Design (Master degree)
State Academy of Art and Design Stuttgart (SABK), Germany
- Aug 2003 - May 2004 Master studies Industrial and Strategic Design
University of Arts and Design Helsinki (UIAH), Finland
- Sept 2002 - Feb 2003 Industrial Design studies
École Nationale Supérieure Création Industrielle (ENSCI)/
Les Ateliers, Paris, France
- Sept 1998 - May 1999 Basic studies
Freie Kunst Schule, Free Art School, Stuttgart, Germany
- 1988-1997 German Abitur
Neues Gymnasium, Secondary school, Stuttgart, Germany
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