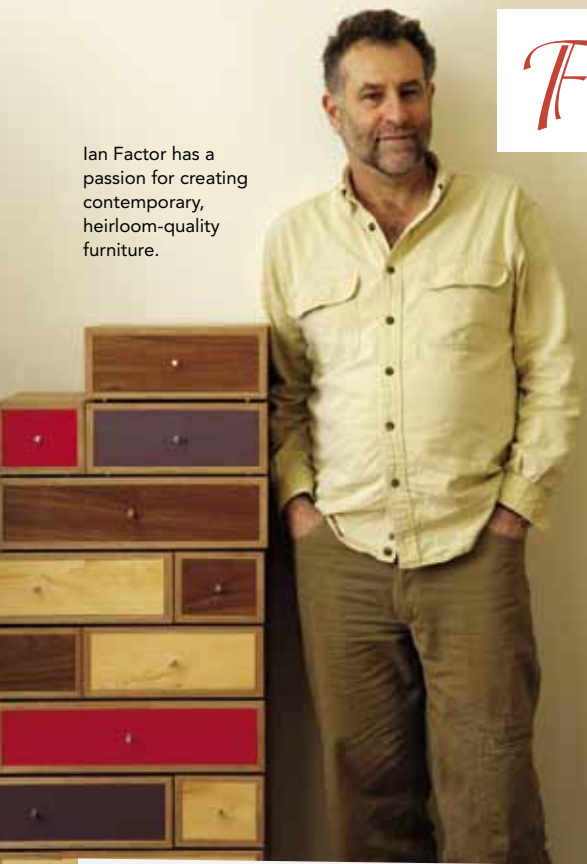


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Visitors to the Abstract exhibition are eligible to enter the draw to win a Factor Design Abstract side table valued at \$495.



Bold, colourful and made with sheer intelligence and passion – the works of furniture designer Ian Factor are sure to strike a chord with many during his premiere solo exhibition in Canberra this week.

**A** former architect, Ian is now fulfilling a lifelong ambition to design and make handcrafted furniture. His architecture background, teamed with exceptional attention to detail, enables him to explore functionalism in furniture design in a contemporary, minimalistic manner.

The Southern Highlands designer will introduce his first solo exhibition, *Abstract*, from 25 June to 31 July at Craft ACT: Craft & Design Centre in Civic. *Abstract* combines a mix of Ian's old and new works, examining the fusion between furniture functionality and abstract, sculptural forms.

'It is a bit of a progression in my style and a progression in growth and how I approach furniture design,' Ian said.

Ian says he has a passion for creating heirloom-quality furniture in a contemporary style.

'I just do what I do and if people like it, that's great,' he laughed.

'Any high-end quality furniture is a niche market ... the fact that I hand-make all my

works is intrinsic to my creative philosophy to create a fusion of the crafts and arts.'

Ian is renowned for representing the next generation of furniture design using unusual forms and materials to create sculptural yet functional furniture which can easily translate into the modern living environment.

'Creating beautiful timber furniture is my passion,' he said.

### What, when & where?

Factor Design *Abstract* Furniture Exhibition  
25 June to 31 July 2010  
Craft ACT: Craft & Design Centre  
180 London Circuit, Canberra City  
[www.factor-design.com.au](http://www.factor-design.com.au)

Wall cabinet – unplugged, by Ian Factor.

