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HICKORY CHAIR CELEBRATES HISTORIC MILESTONE

APRIL 24, 2026 – HIGH POINT, NORTH CAROLINA – Celebrating its 115th anniversary, the historic Hickory Chair Company is hosting special events throughout the year with its employees, at furniture markets and through events around the country. This spring, at the upcoming International Home Furnishings Market in High Point, North Carolina, the company will delight its guests as it reveals a newly reimagined showroom entry that celebrates its wonderful heritage and simultaneously enchants with its signature jewel-box display. Exciting new products and textile introduction will lend additional excitement to the Spring display while providing thoughtful new selections for designers and their clients.



Celebrating this special anniversary at the Spring market, the company has collaborated with the talented David Phoenix to introduce his fourth furniture collection. This extensive new collection is a natural evolution of his earlier Hickory Chair collections. Each new introduction was designed to feel substantial, enduring, and relevant over time providing a well-lived, well-traveled perspective, chosen for their integrity, usability, and understated elegance. Phoenix shares, *“I was inspired by the idea that personal design style should be allowed to progress with continuity and grace. Furniture should settle into a room, not announce itself, as the best pieces feel familiar from the start.”*

In addition, the eponymous James River Collection, the furniture industry’s longest continuously made collection, is celebrating its 85th anniversary. Fine American 18th Century wood and upholstered furniture found in the historic homes that line the James River in Virginia were the foundation of the collection that originally debuted in 1941. In these many decades since, the James River Collection has become known as a repository for classic American craftsmanship.

“Hickory Chair is well positioned as the leading design brand in the industry,” shares Federico Contigiani, president. He continues, *“Hickory Chair has always been known for its quality and its designs are impeccable. Our ability to provide attractive lead times for highly configurable and custom products allow designers to trust our workroom for personalized pieces for their clients. With our exciting newly renovated showroom, exquisitely appointed furnishings and fresh color stories, we trust that everyone who visits us this spring will feel the pride and skill of the nearly 400 craftspeople at Hickory Chair. It is an honor to lead the company as it begins this next era as it continues its storied 115-year journey.”*



The company will celebrate this important milestone with three very special events this spring. The first event will be a cocktail party on Friday, April 24th beginning at 4:00 pm, being held in its High Point Showroom. On Saturday, April 25th at 3:30 pm the company will host a panel discussion, **Designing Collections with Staying Power**, that will be led by moderator Dana Wolter, owner Dana Wolter Interiors and author of the *Elegance And Comfort of Home*, with David Phoenix, David Phoenix Interior Design, Scott Kravet, Creative Director - Kravet, Eduardo Marin, CEO/Creative Director - Soicher Marin, and Federico Contigiani, President - Hickory Chair. To culminate the market celebrations, a special Presentation and Book Signing will be held on Sunday, April 26th at 3:00 pm for Dana Wolter, a Mountain Brook, Alabama based interior designer and author of *The Elegance and Comfort of Home*.

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About Hickory Chair:

Since 1911, Hickory Chair has been crafting custom wood and upholstered furnishings in a wide range of classic styles. In collaboration with Liberty of London and inspired by such historical sites as the Winterthur Estate and the estates along the James River in Virginia, as well as by noted furniture authorities such as Suzanne Kasler, Ray Booth, David Phoenix, Susan Hable, Kim Scodro and Mariette Himes Gomez, Hickory Chair's hallmark is luxurious yet livable furniture that is made to order and made to last. Please visit hickorychair.com for product information or contact us with special requests. Hickory Chair, LLC is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Rock House Farm Family of Brands.

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