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Conversa Floating Shelf

by Pali & Jejo Cornelsen, 2025

Brazilian-American designer Pali Xisto Cornelsen presents a new collection of bespoke furnishings in tribute to his father, artist and polymath Jejo Cornelsen. Crafted from salvaged tree trunks and finished with vibrant clay-based pigments, the pieces—ranging from tables and stools to a bed frame and room divider—evolve from preliminary sculptures Jejo created in rural Connecticut in 2018. The collection reflects the duo's shared creative instincts, blending Pali's refined minimalism with Jejo's expressive use of color, and marks a continued exploration of nature through a deeply collaborative process.

MATERIALS
Split cedar wood, oil paint, ash

DIMENSIONS
W 72" x D 13" x H 23"

PRODUCT TYPE
Made To Order

LEAD TIME
15–17 weeks

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Pali & Jejo Cornelsen

Pali & Jejo Cornelsen are a Brazilian-American father-and-son creative duo whose work bridges generations, disciplines, and material languages. Pali Xisto Cornelsen, an interior and furniture designer, develops objects and environments that balance architectural rigor with tactile immediacy. His father, Jejo Cornelsen, is a Brazilian artist and polymath originally trained in architecture in London, with a wide-ranging practice spanning illustration, fine art, animation, sculpture, and graphic work.

Their collaboration is rooted in an intimate creative dialogue: Pali's contemporary design practice extends and reinterprets Jejo's intuitive, experimental approach to form, material, and gesture. Working with salvaged wood, natural pigments, and direct interventions into organic materials, their pieces occupy a space between furniture and sculpture, function and memory. Together, they create works that honor Brazil's rich modernist legacy while asserting a deeply personal, intergenerational language of craft, improvisation, and artistic continuity.