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Affordable Case Goods Project | Final Presentation

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## THE FIRST-TIME APARTMENT RENTERS

Alex (28) & Jordan (25) & their dog, Koda.  
Active lifestyle (hiking, camping, road trips). Live in small urban apartment. Likes to host friends often





### WHAT THEY OWN



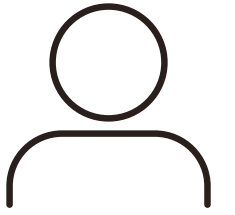
### PAIN POINTS

-  **Clutter Buildup**  
Shoes, coats, and pet gear collect near the entryway.
-  **No Seating**  
There's nowhere to sit while putting on shoes or leashing Koda.
-  **Lack of Storage**  
Seasonal and everyday gear gets lost or crammed.
-  **Limited Space**  
The entryway needs to do more in less space.

### NEEDS

-  **Shoe Storage**  
Keep footwear off the floor and easy to access.
-  **Hooks & Hanging Space**  
For coats, bags, and Koda's leash — grab-and-go convenience.
-  **Seating Area**  
A small bench for gearing up before heading out.
-  **Pet Essentials Station**  
Designated space for Koda's gear, toys, and treats.





# USER INSIGHTS

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## Entryway Challenges

! Clutter and shared use create stress at the door.

✓ Needs clear zones and divided storage for multiple users.

## Storage Needs

✓ Balance hidden and open storage with compact, modular design.

✓ Quick access meets clean, personalized organization.

## Flat-Pack Frustrations

! Assembly is often confusing or unstable.

✓ Design should be intuitive, sturdy, and easy to build.

## Design Goals

✓ Simplify daily transitions with flexible, durable solutions.

✓ Pet-friendly, space-saving, and adaptable for changing needs.





# AESTHETIC GOALS

Japandi & Industrial Modernism

## 🛒 Function & Storage

Modular layout that balances open and closed storage.  
*Supports daily rituals with compact, pet-friendly features.*

## 🪵 Material Language

Blend of organic and industrial materials.  
*Matte wood, soft canvas, and glass create tactile contrast.*

## 🎨 Color Palette

Warm neutrals paired with deep greys and blacks.  
*Layers of tone and texture add visual depth.*

## 🌀 Form & Structure

Clean lines with a mix of soft curves and boxy frames.  
*Functional minimalism with expressive detailing.*

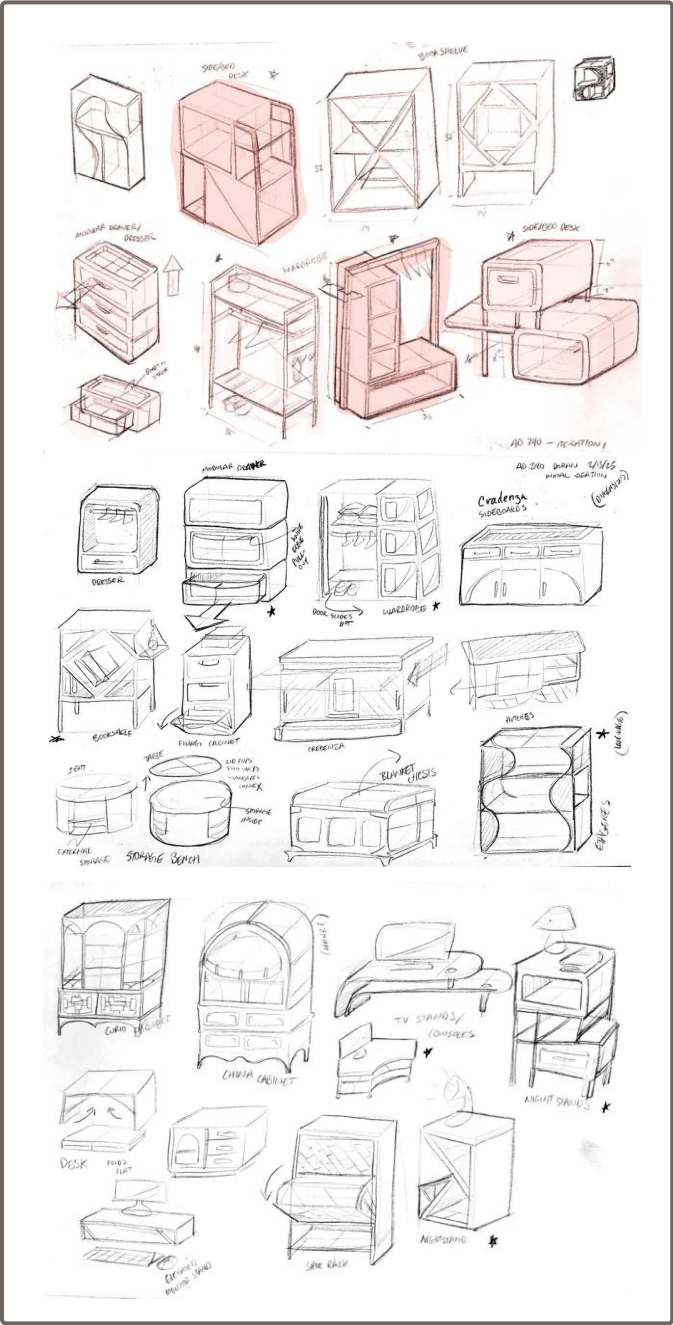
## 🔩 Details & Craft

Visible joinery and honest hardware.  
*Recessed pulls meet exposed screws in a balanced finish.*



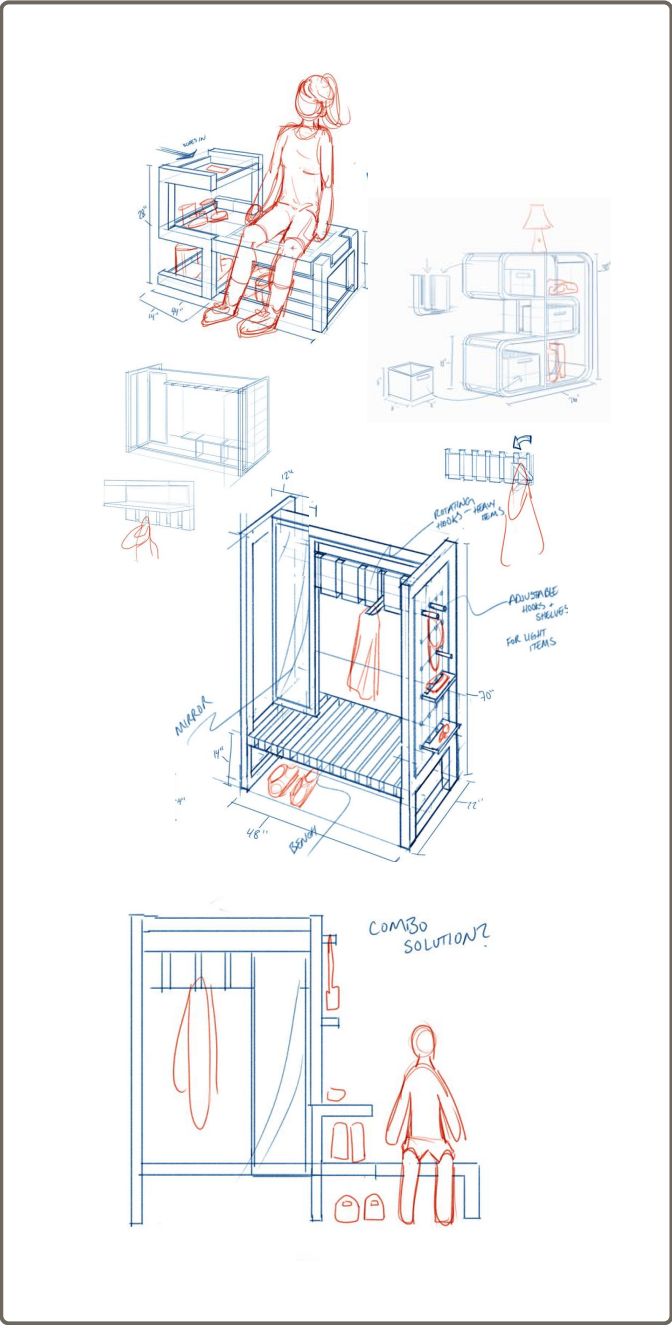
# THINKING PROCESS

## Exploration



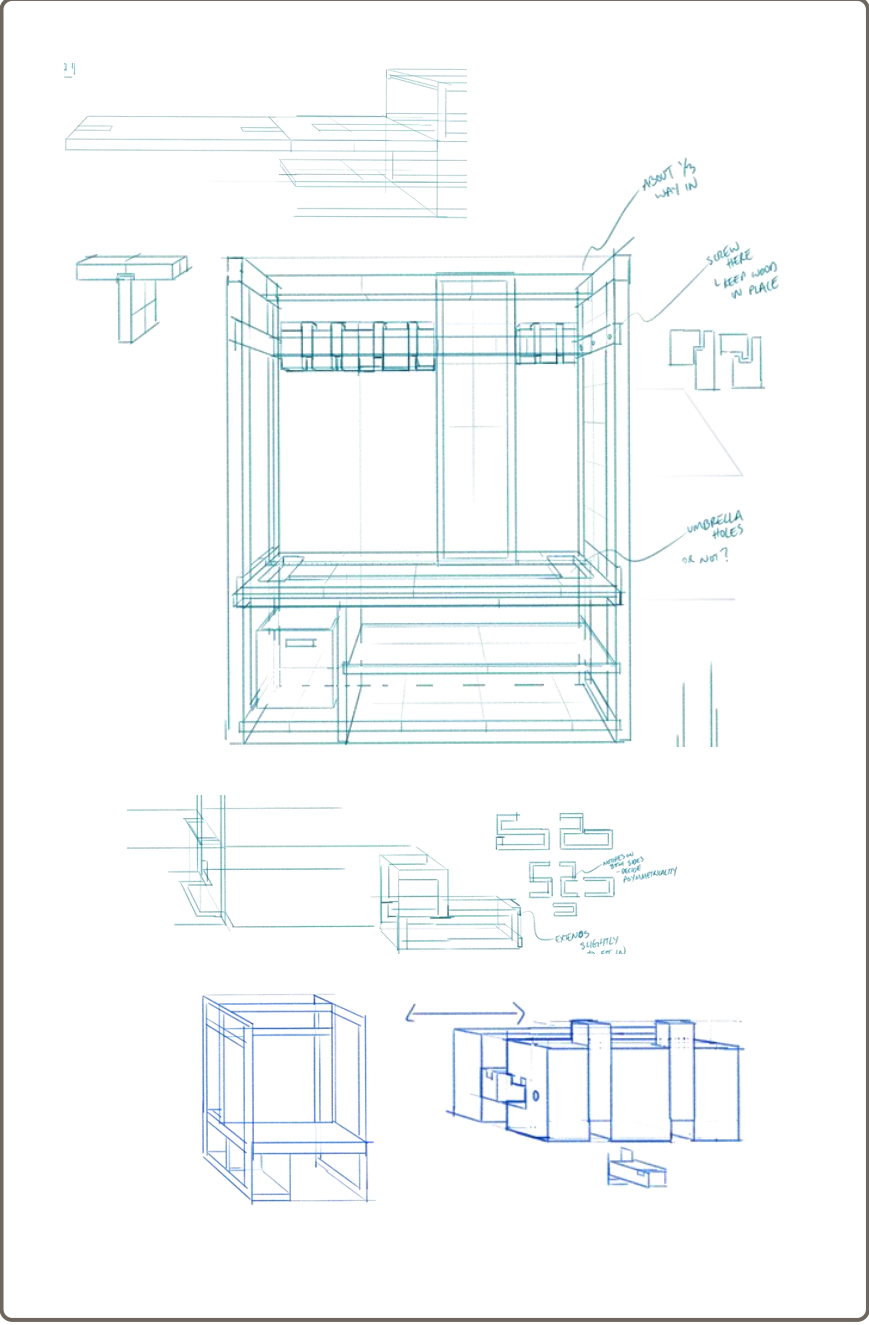
What different furniture piece-types are out there?

## Concept



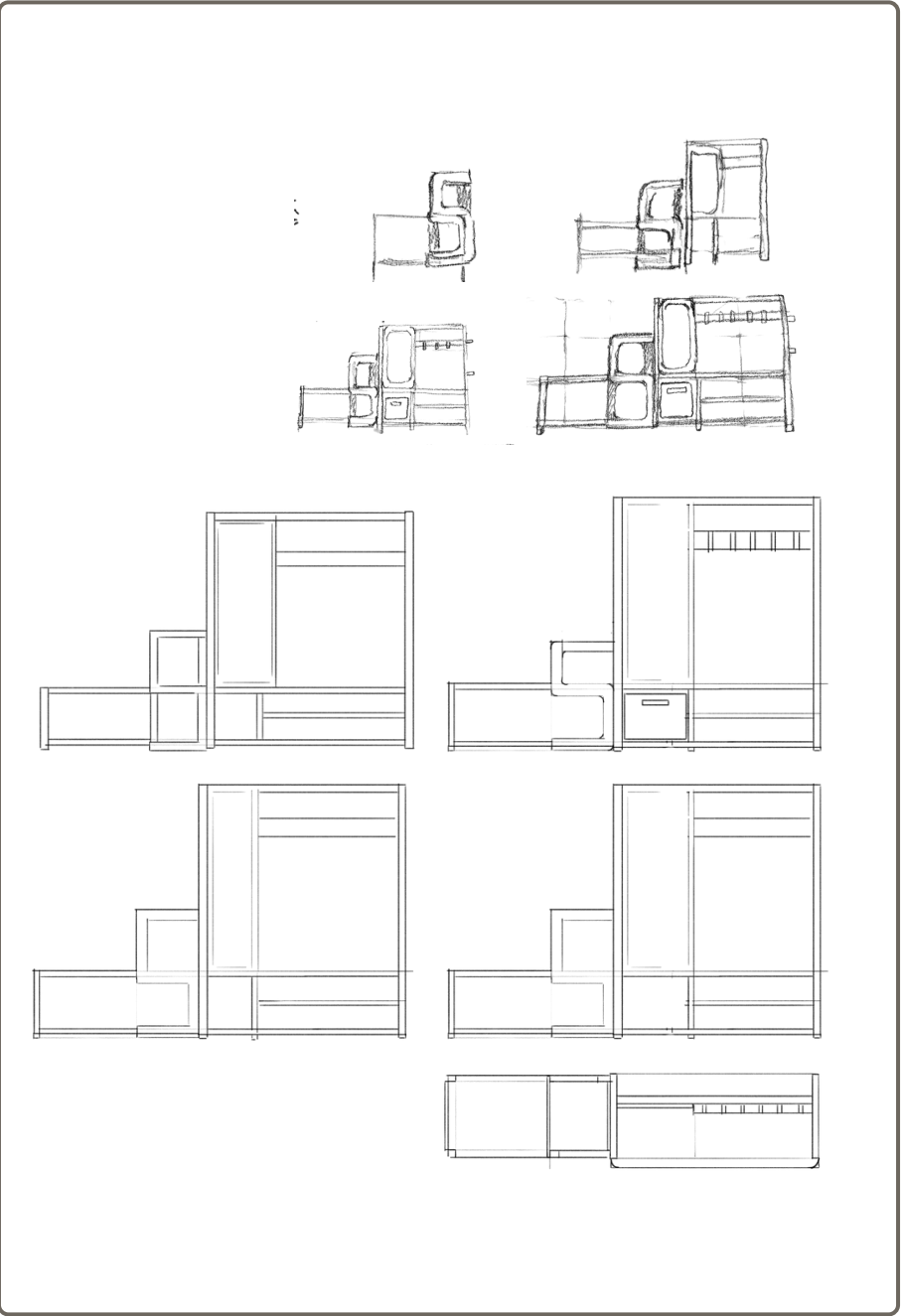
What should this product do for the person using it?

## Function



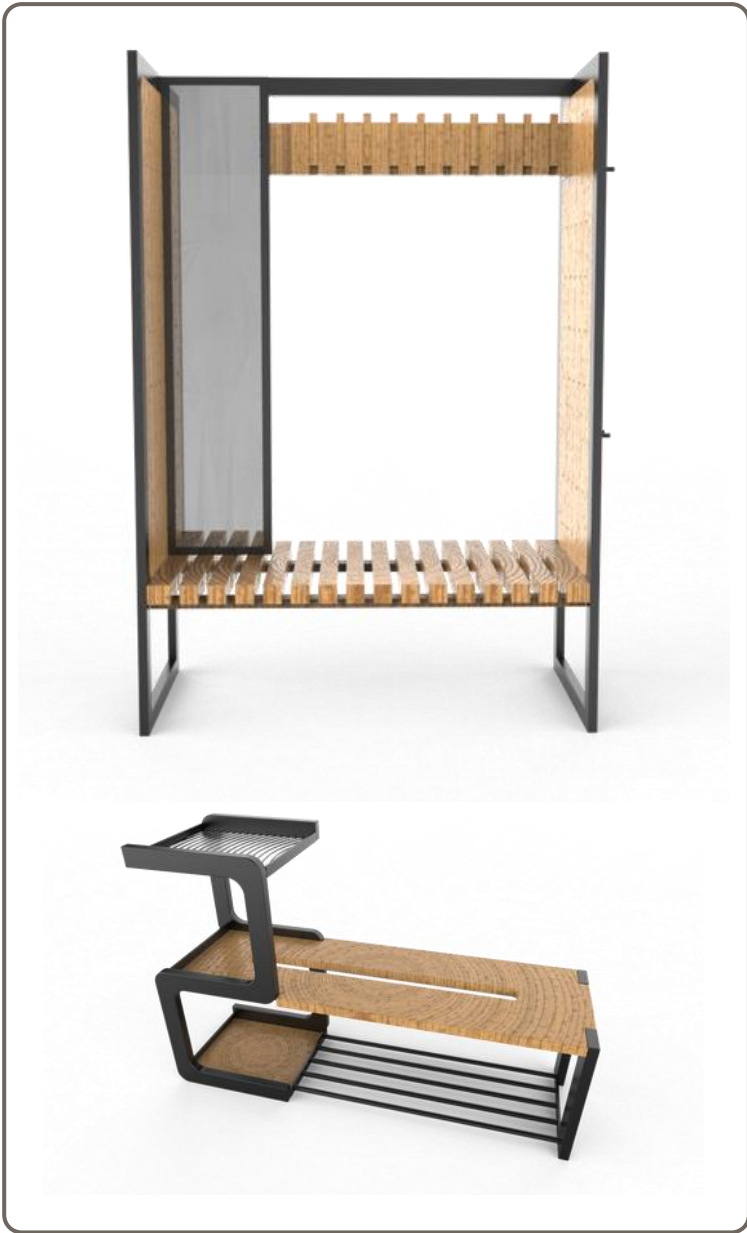
How will this be built and function structurally?

## Balance



How does this object express its purpose and values through form?

# ITERATIONS



## Feedback

- Mirror should be wider & position able
- Open up left side
- Connect hall tree with bench

- Applying paper laminate to routed areas would be difficult, try white MDF
- How does the mirror connect to the wooden stringer?
- Is shelving tall enough to fit shoes?
- Adjust radius of metal frame and reduce intricacies

- Soften corners on bench area
- Stabilize center of design





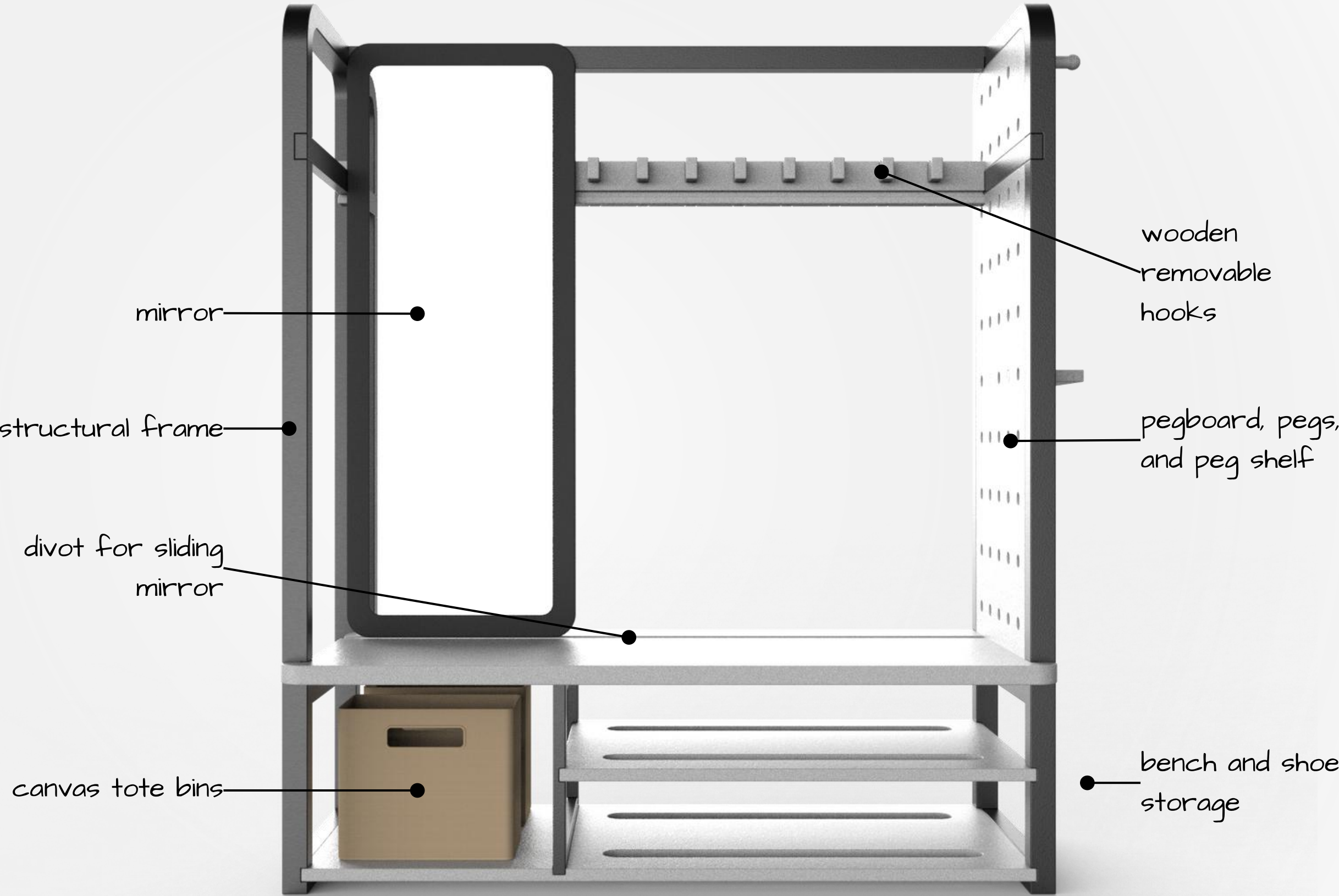
# THE KOMICHI ENTRY SET

2-Piece Entryway Organizer with Pegboard  
Panel, Mirror, and Tiered Shoe Shelves

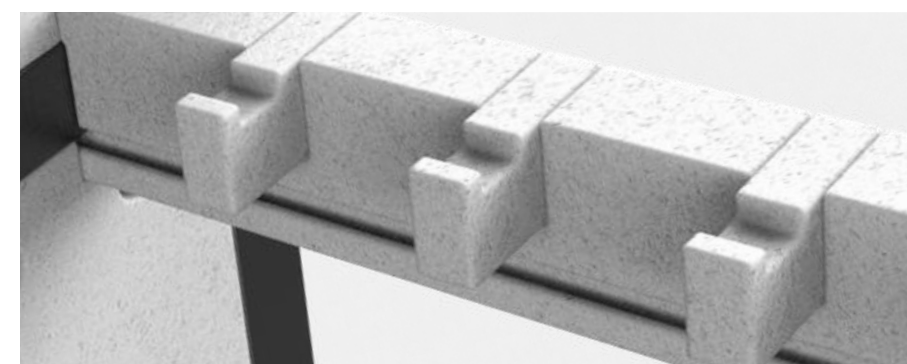
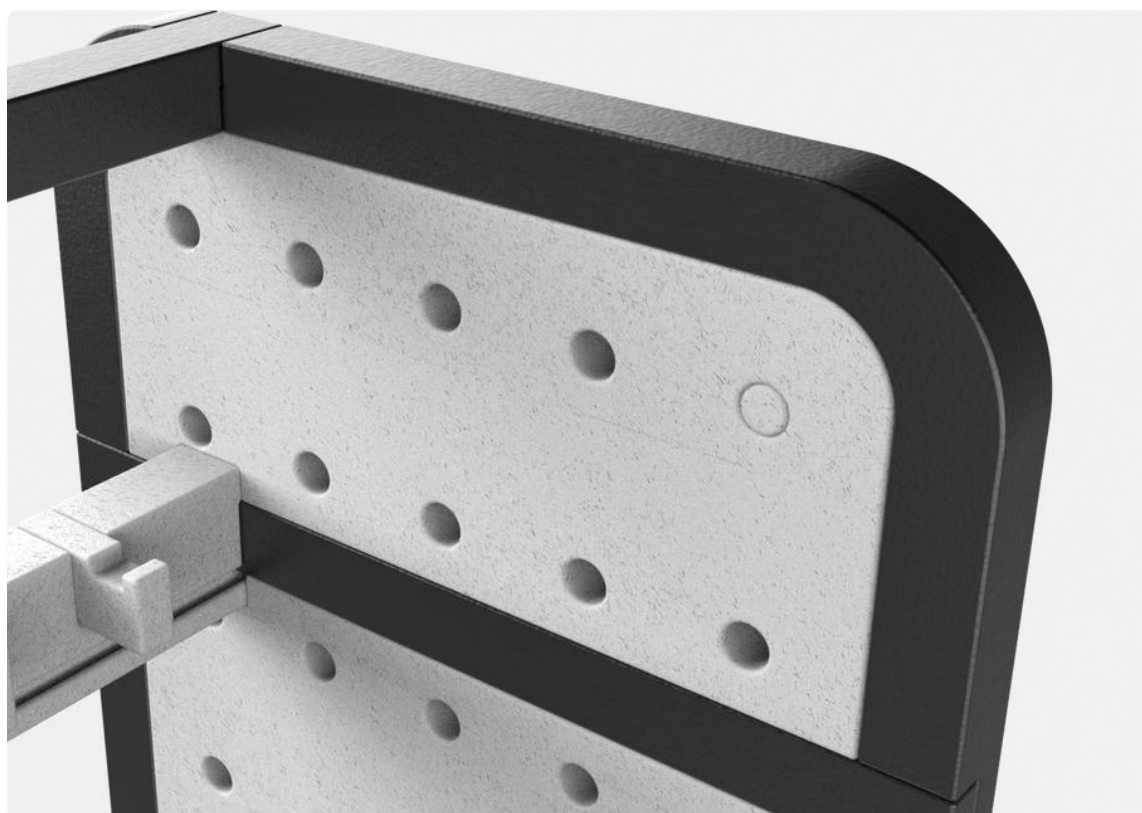
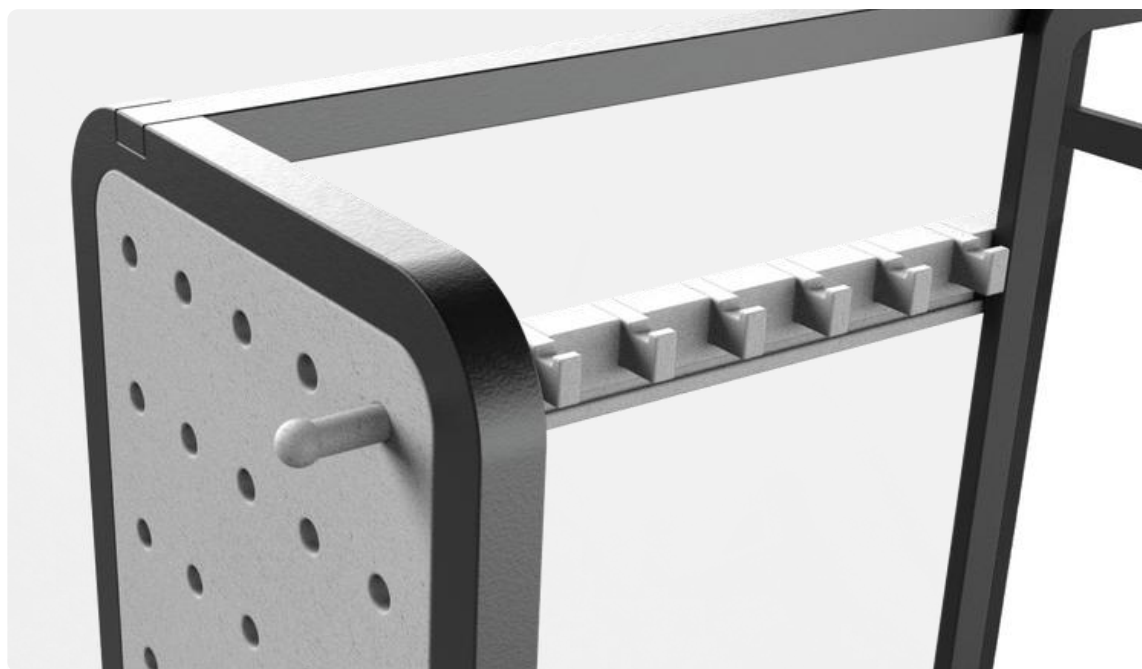
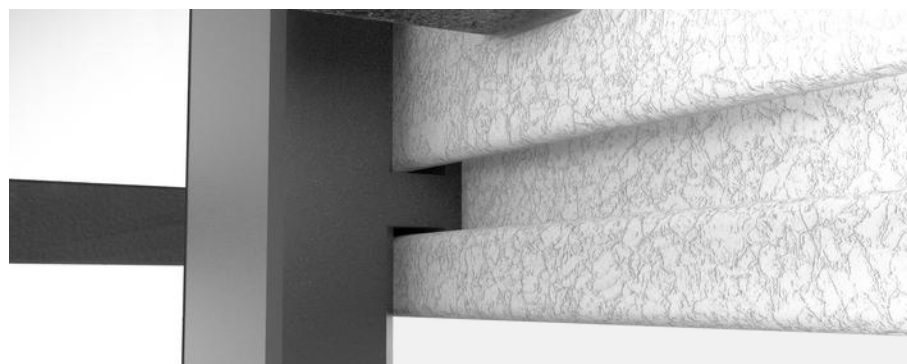


# ENTRY TREE

KOMICHI ENTRY SET

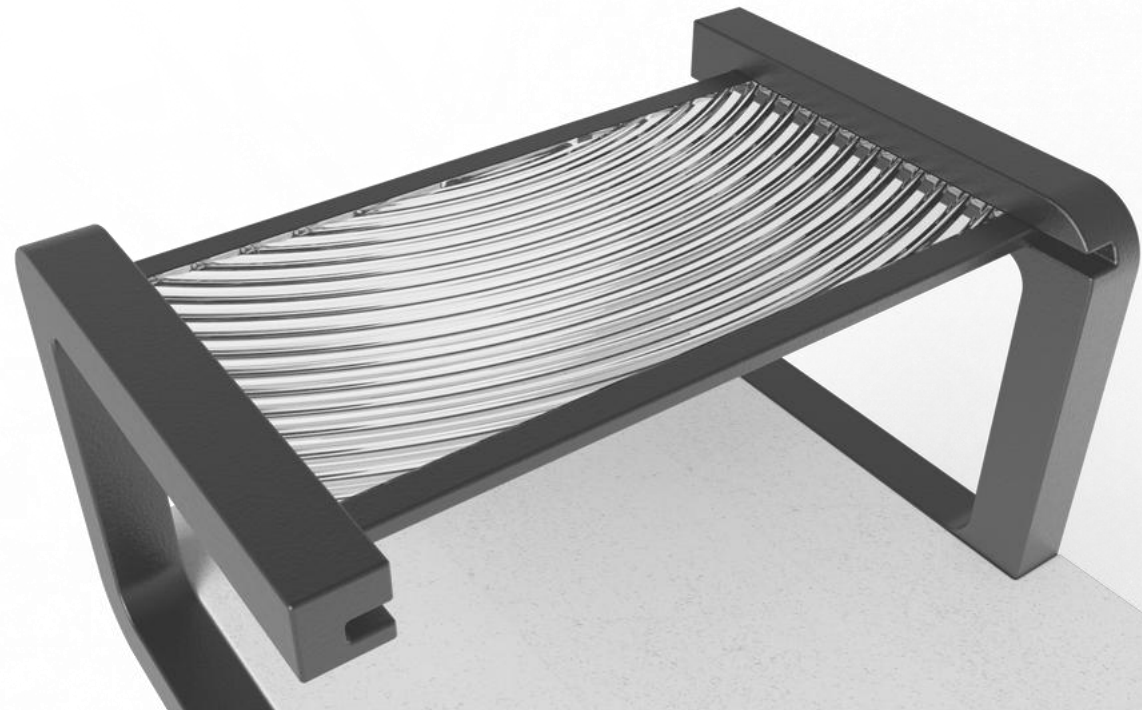
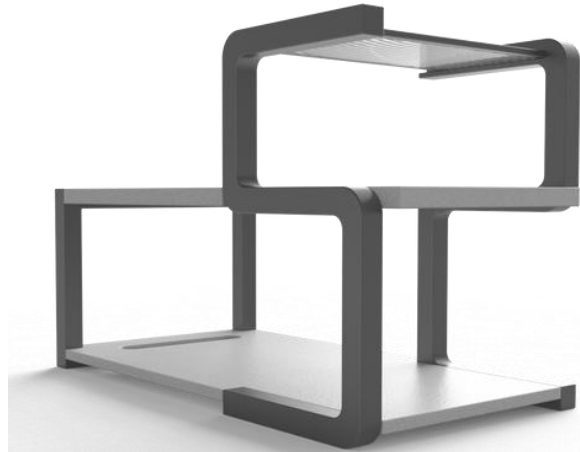






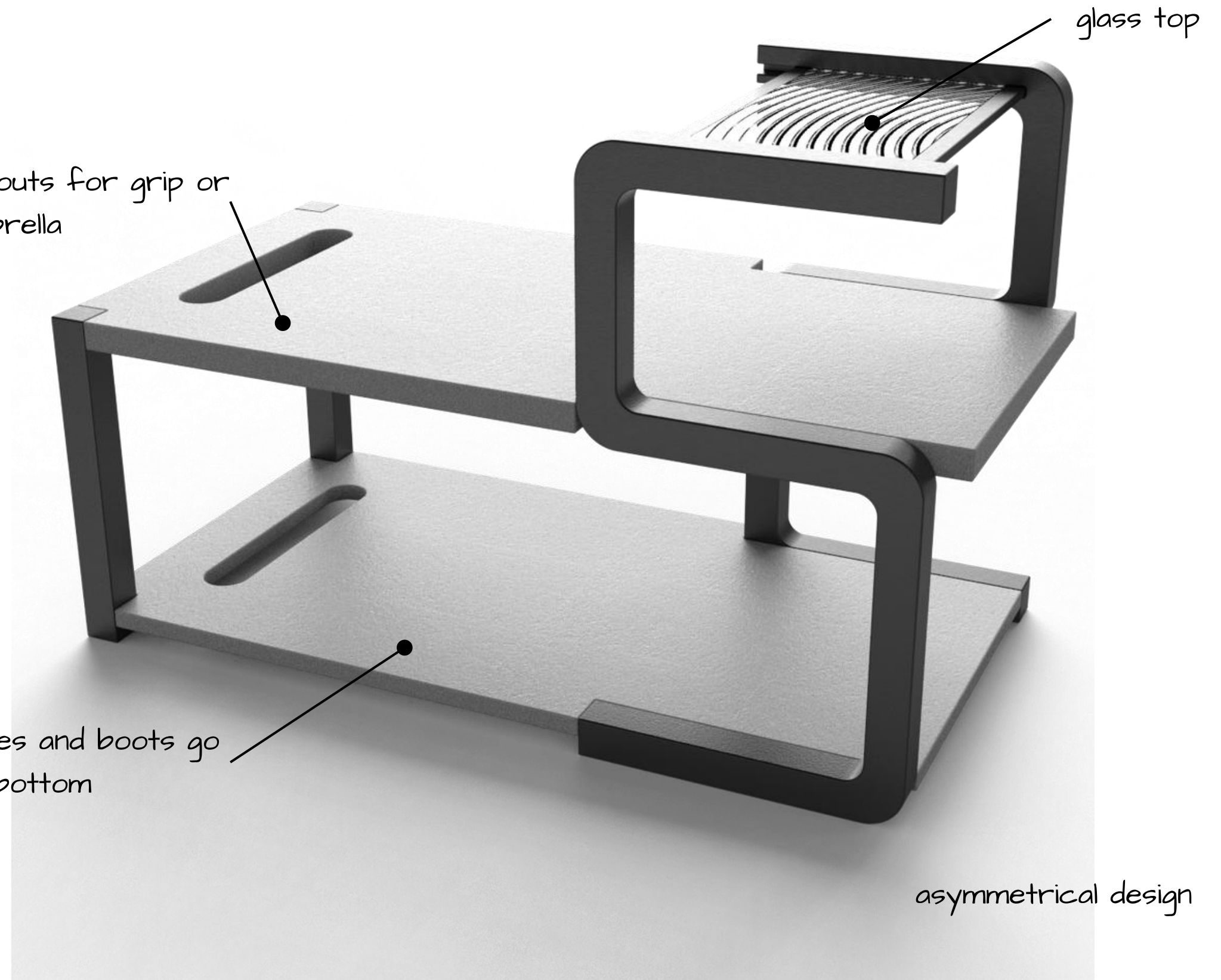
# SEATING MODULE

KOMICHI ENTRY SET



cutouts for grip or umbrella

shoes and boots go on bottom





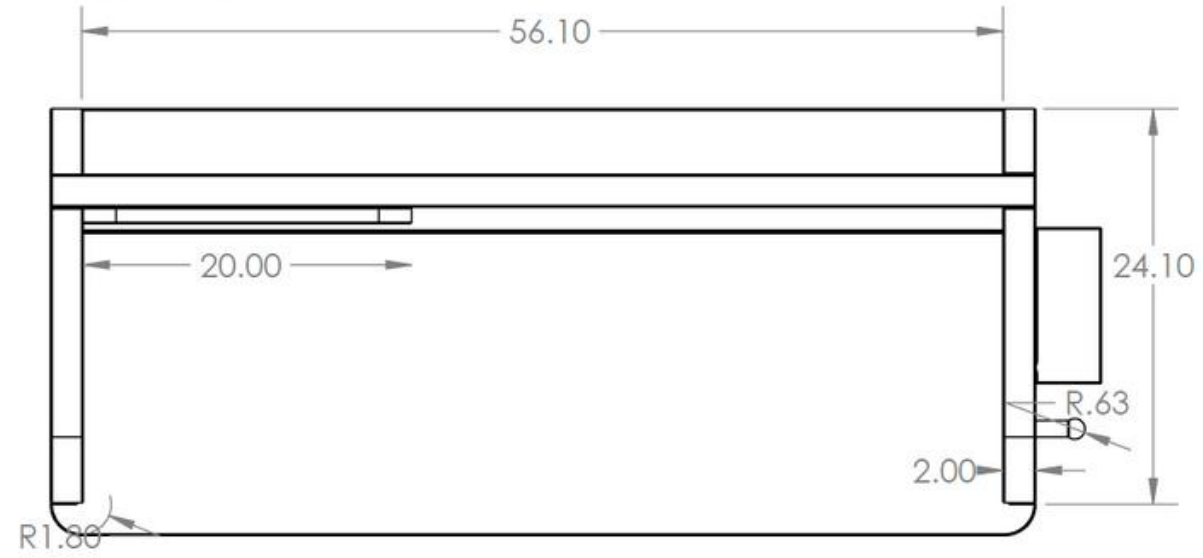
# DAILY USAGE

How Alex, Jordan, and Koda use the Komichi Entry Set in their daily life.

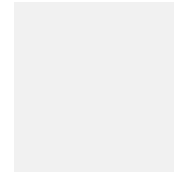




## Top View



Aluminum Frame  
Black powder-coated finish (low-gloss)  
Recyclable and corrosion-resistant

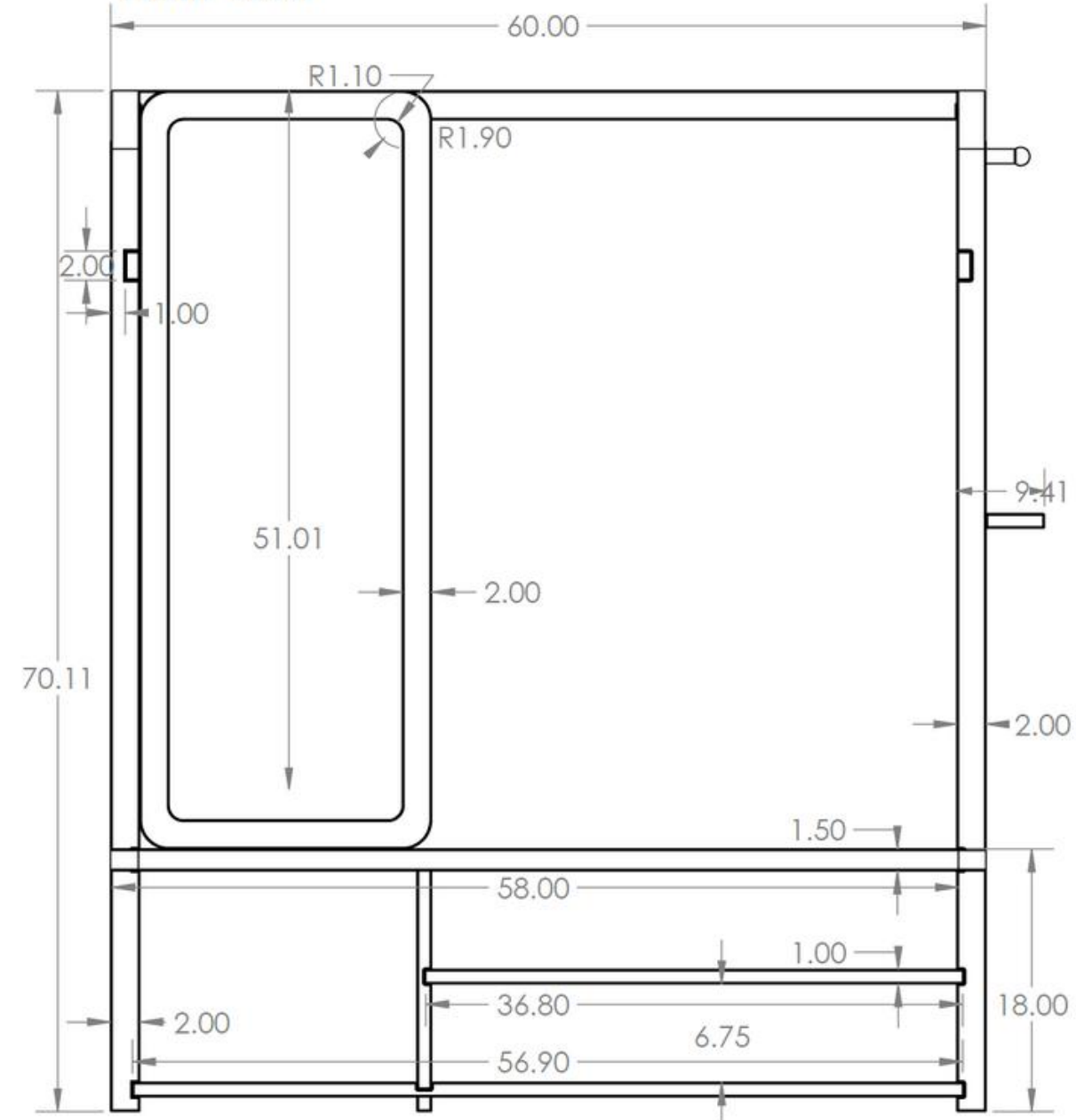


Painted MDF Panel  
White matte lacquer finish

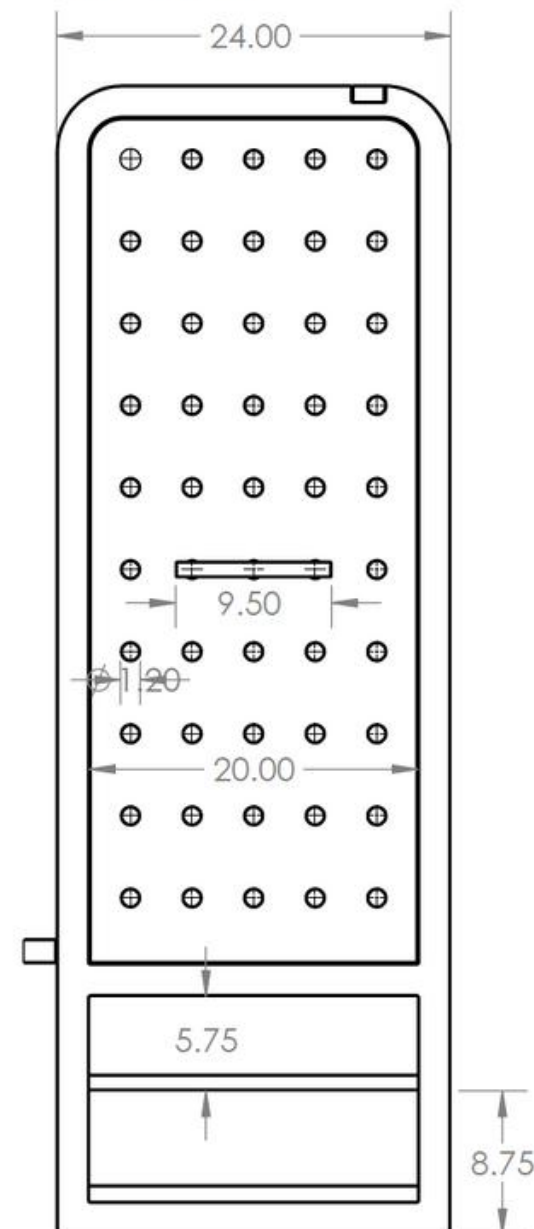
## Komichi 01 – Entry Tree

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Scale 1:12

## Front View



## Side View



Includes pegs and peg shelf for use in pegboard. Up to manufacturer's discretion for best structural dimensions.



#10 Cotton Duck Canvas  
(Heavyweight, natural finish)  
Lined with cotton-poly blend  
Cardboard insert for structure



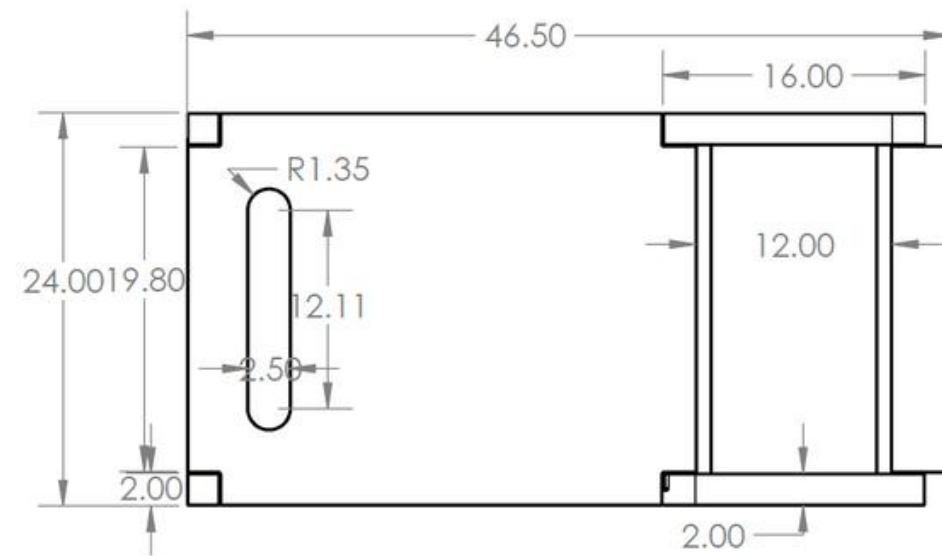
6mm Tempered Glass Mirror  
Silver-backed  
Edges polished, set in routed channel



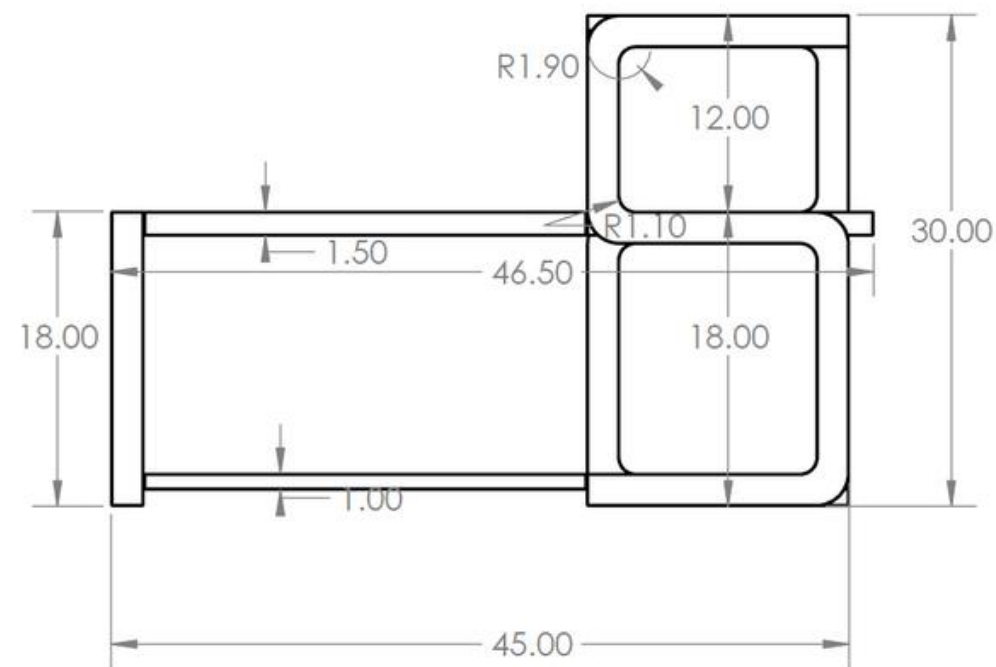
# Komichi 02 – Seating Module

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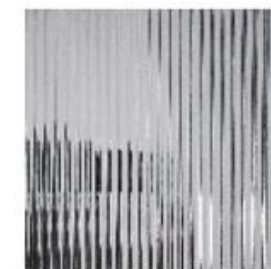
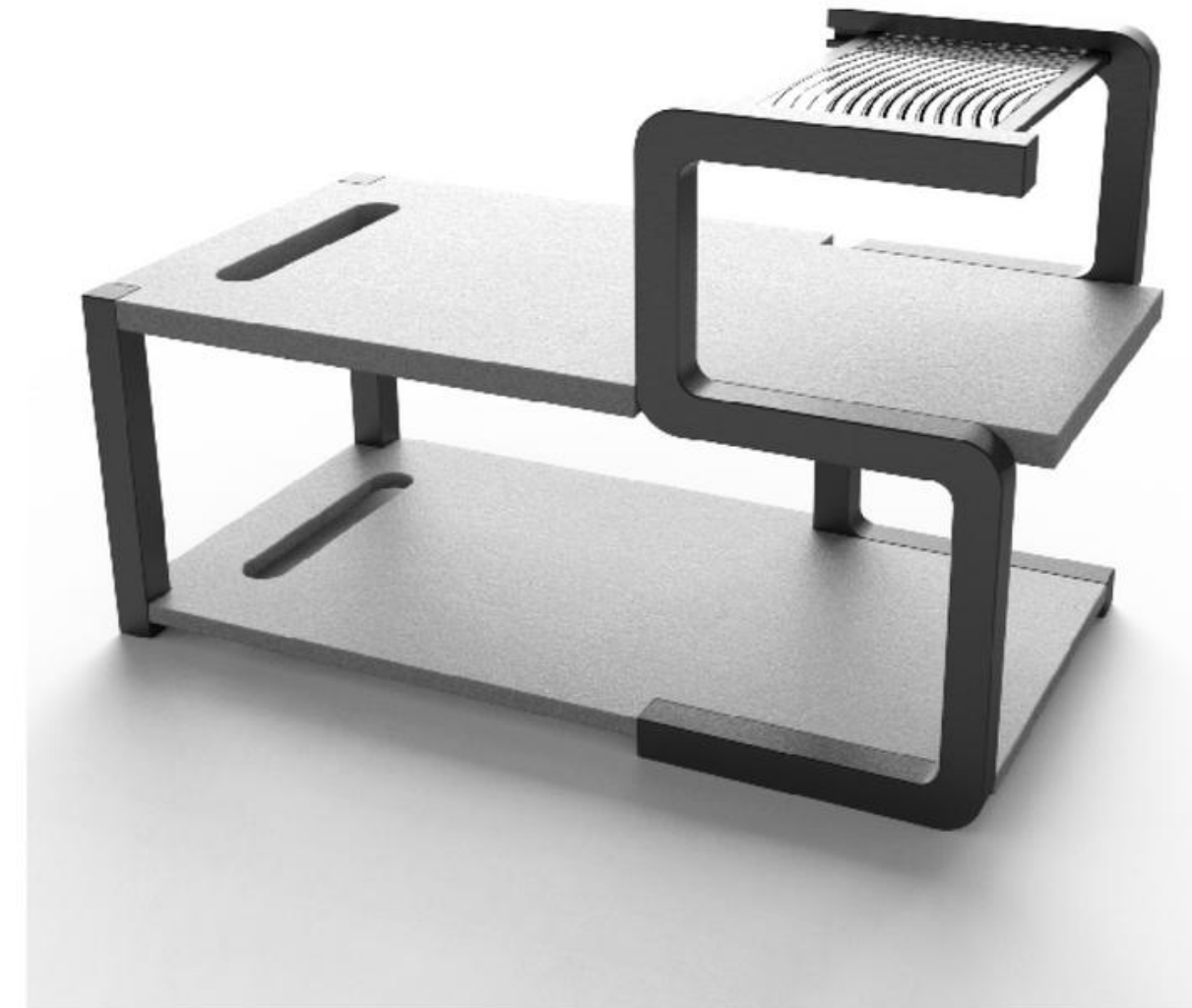
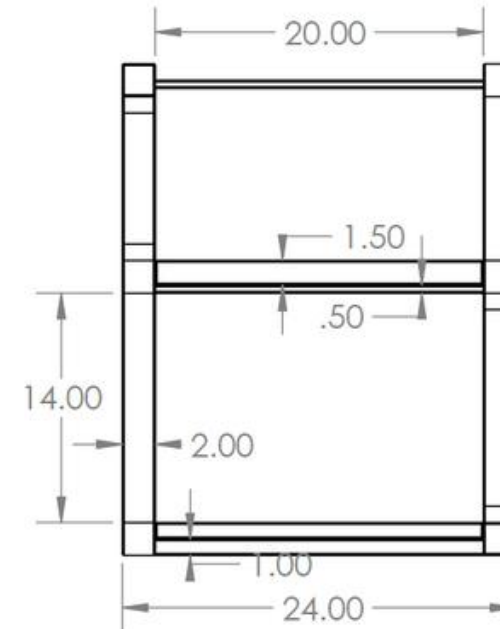
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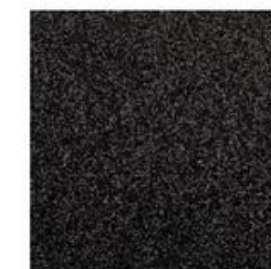
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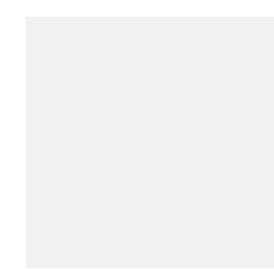
Side View



Curved Fluted Glass Insert  
6mm thick clear soda-lime glass  
Vertically ridged surface  
Edge polished, seated in inset rail



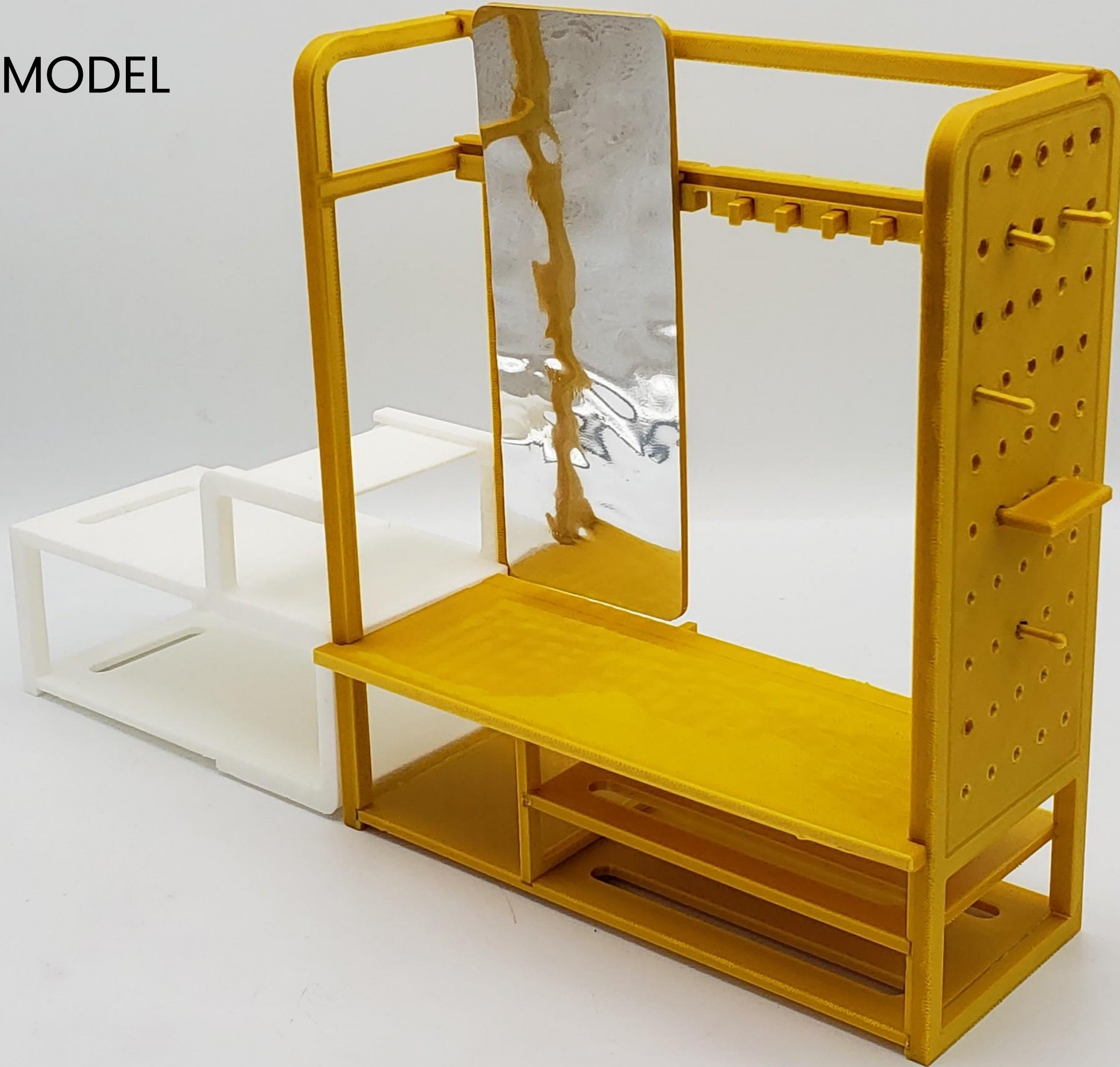
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Black powder-coated  
finish (low-gloss)  
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corrosion-resistant



Painted MDF Panel  
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The inner face of each "S" bar includes an inset rail designed to accommodate the glass top shelf. The groove's depth and width may be adjusted in consultation with the manufacturer to ensure optimal fit and ease of assembly.

FINAL SCALE MODEL







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