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Form and Function

The latest kitchen and bath fixtures break the mold in design and operation

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ELKAY

The newest iteration of Elkay's commercial ezH20 bottle fillers is the ezH20 Liv, made for residential use. It is designed to fit between two wall studs, and may be placed anywhere in a new or existing home with access to water and electrical hookups. The dispenser is sensor-activated, with an automatic, timed shut-off to prevent accidental spills. Its long-lasting filter is NSF-certified to reduce lead and other harmful contaminants. Optional features include a drain connection from the drip tray and a safety lock preventing unsupervised use. *elkay.com*



KOHLER

The Betello two-piece toilet is equipped both with Kohler's Revolution 360 flushing technology, which rinses the entire bowl surface, and ContinuousClean, which dispenses a small amount of toilet bowl tab cleaner during each flush. The CleanCoat surface treatment repels water and dirt, and prevents the formation of bacteria, mildew, and mineral deposits. The toilet is WaterSense labeled, and features a separate skirted trapway that enables the same installation process as a non-skirted toilet. *kohler.com*

V LENOVA

The FST01SS Freestanding Tub Faucet is crafted from 304 stainless steel and features a bold, angular transitional design that is at once sculptural and modern. The spout stands 40 inches tall, with an 11 $\frac{7}{16}$ -foot reach, and requires a minimal footprint, recommended for small spaces. The faucet has zero lead content, and includes a ceramic cartridge to prevent drips. The fixture offers both a tub spout and a handshower attachment. *lenovasinks.com*



VISENBERG DESIGN LAB

The Infinity Wall Mount Faucet breaks from traditional bath faucet placement with a wallmounted spout designed to frame a bathroom mirror on either the left or the right. The full fixture measures 34 inches high with dual mounting brackets, separate wall-mounted flow and temperature controls, and a 9-inch spout projection from the wall and into the sink. The faucet features a hidden aerator for cleaning, and operates at a flow rate of only 1.2 gpm. isenbergfaucets.com

