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## make light of it

Luminescence, Stephen White's voluptuous light sculptures, have wood frames covered with a durable laminated paper. Each billowing form is signed and numbered. *Kaizama*, shown, is 24 inches high by 36 inches deep (\$4,000; 323/653-9763, emmersontroupe.com).



## forged alliance

Three-star chef Michel Bras, with Japanese cutlery company KAI, has produced the ultimate kitchen knife. Hand-assembled, the rosewood handles hold carbon-stainless-steel blades that are coated with titanium (\$230 to \$375 each; 866/888-6677, mossonline.com).



## now hear this

Bang & Olufsen's BeoSound 3 portable audio system includes FM radio, SD flash memory card reader, clock and timer. Designed by David Lewis, it's housed in a 16½-inch anodized-aluminum cabinet. An antenna rises when the radio is turned on (\$850; bang-olufsen.com).



## body double

California-based designer Alexandra Angle's new furniture collection combines '30s glamour with organic forms. The maple-framed *Arc* chair—here in a Jack Lenor Larsen vinyl called *Roxy*—pays artful homage to human anatomy (\$2,850 plus fabric; 213/252-8500, aquavitaedesign.com).