

BELLE

LIBRARY TASK LUMINAIRE

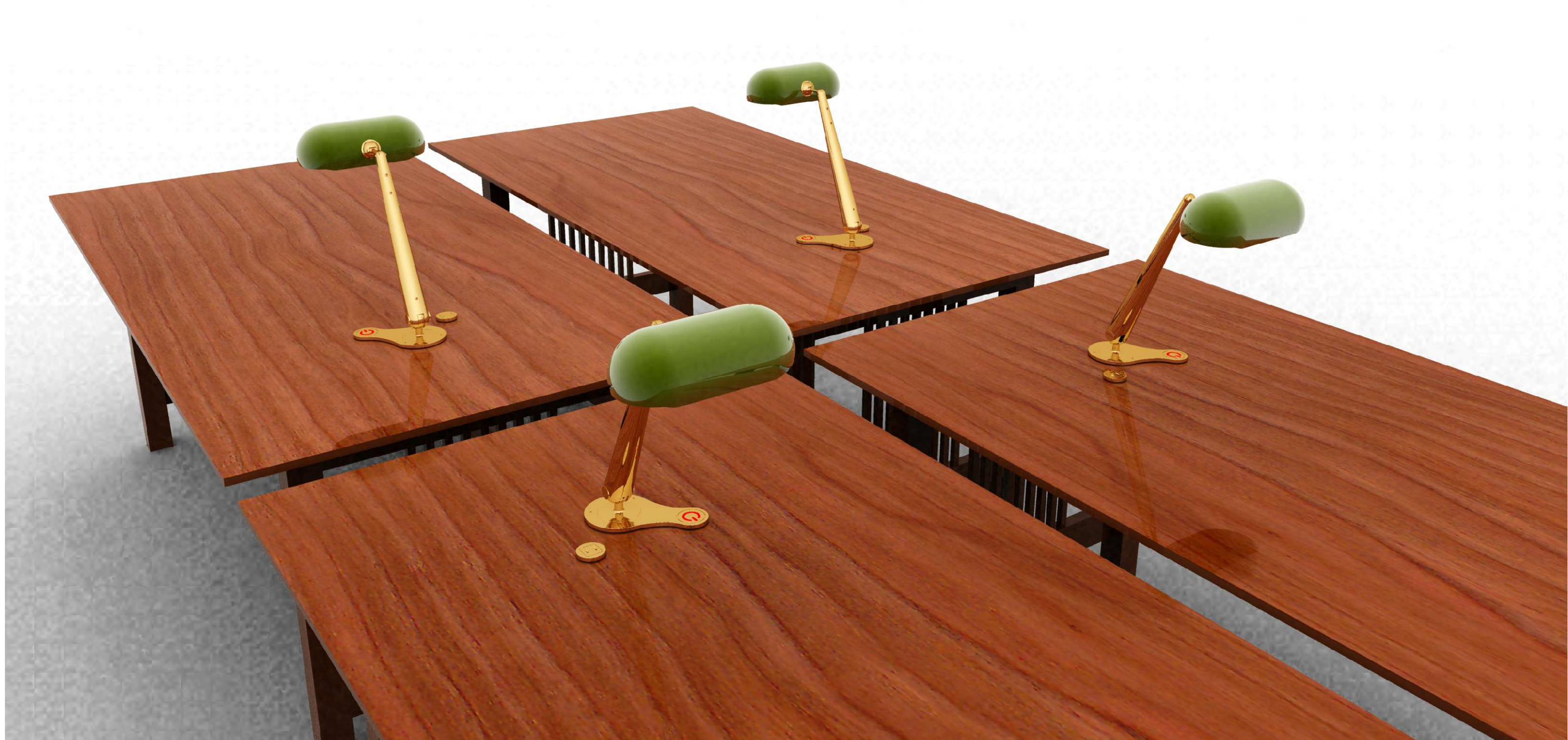
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DESIGN

There is something about the tangible quality of book that no form of electronic media has yet replaced. Yet it is bulky, crude, and obsolete when compared to the volumes of information that can be placed onto a single disk. Even the grand libraries of the past are slowly making a transition. *Belle* as a concept addresses this idea. It is inspired by the traditional forms generations past, and elegantly combines them with modern lines and current technology. It is made to compliment its environment whether it is the new library of glass and steel, or the marble halls of the New York Public. Understated in its aesthetics, it doesn't call out when viewed from afar. A large metal disc is softly illuminated with a red LED

instantly registers the location of the power switch. A swift touch with the hand and *Belle* provides a soft pool of light onto the table's surface giving us a sense of privacy with our studies. As a design, fixture uses a standard triple tube compact fluorescent lamp providing ample amounts of glare free light onto the task plane. The shade is made of a two pieces of molded poly carbonate, ultrasonic bonded, and then "metalized" on the inner surface. Belle is installed simply by drilling the appropriate holes for the base and the optional power plug. The arm is adjusted to the optimum position and then locked into place, minimizing any tampering by the user. A custom ballast is fitted within the luminaire's arm.



DETAILS

