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## 2026 Editorial Calendar

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### Editorial Features

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### Closing/Material Dates

January/  
February

#### *Designing for Multigenerational Living*

Explore how closet and storage designers are addressing the growing demand for multigenerational households—blending function, accessibility, and style to suit multiple age groups and lifestyles under one roof.

**Show Preview:** KBIS/IBS, February 2026

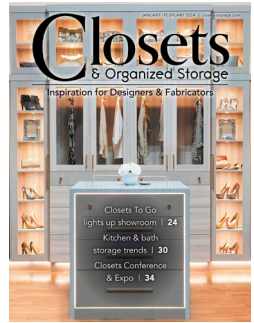
#### *Professional Development & Certification for Closet Professionals*

Continuing education, specialized certifications, and skill development are extremely important in a rapidly evolving and growing market. This guide will help professionals navigate available resources to stay competitive and knowledgeable.

#### *Lighting Solutions*

A deep dive into integrated lighting for closets, garages, laundry rooms, and display systems—highlighting energy-efficient, smart, and motion-activated innovations.

**Closing:** 12/12  
**Material due:** 12/18



March/  
April

#### *State of the Industry 2026: Design Trends*

Our annual trend forecast covering materials, colors, finishes, accessories, and technologies shaping the market.

#### *Smart & Connected Closets*

Explore how cutting-edge technology, from AI-powered wardrobe management to Augmented Reality (AR) design tools, is revolutionizing closet space optimization and design. This feature will cover how digital solutions can enhance user experience, simplify organization, and integrate seamlessly with modern smart homes.

**Show Preview:** Milan Design Week & EuroCucina, April 2026

**Show Preview:** ICFF, May 2026

**Show Preview:** interzum, June 2026

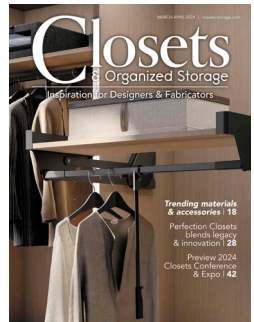
#### *Sourcing: Materials, Durability & Sustainability*

A comprehensive guide to selecting high-quality, durable, and sustainable materials and finishes. This piece will focus on meeting client expectations, adhering to industry standards, and making informed choices that ensure longevity and value.

#### *Panel & Surface Materials*

An updated look at melamine, laminates, wood veneers, high-gloss finishes, textured panels, and eco-friendly substrates.

**Closing:** 2/20  
**Material due:** 2/26



May/  
June

#### *Luxury & Bespoke Closet Experiences*

Create truly high-end, luxurious closet environments with premium elements like natural stone surfaces, bespoke furnishings, detailed plaster moldings, boutique-style display aesthetics, and sophisticated hardware. This article will explore how to elevate a closet from a storage space to a personal sanctuary.

**Show Preview:** Closets Conference & Expo/Wood Pro Expo Florida, June 30 - July 1, 2026

**Show Preview:** IWF, August 2026

**Show Preview:** NeoCon, June 2026

#### *Profiting from Partnerships: Collaborating with Designers, Builders, Organizers & Influencers*

Tips on establishing strategic partnerships that boost exposure, close sales, and build your brand in the market.

#### *Design & CAD Software*

Overview of the latest closet and cabinetry design platforms, 3D visualization tools, render engines, and integration software for shops and studios.

**Closing:** 4/24  
**Material due:** 4/29



*CPA Design Portfolio*  
Bonus Digital  
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**Technology in the Shop & Showroom**

Examine the benefits of adopting automated technologies in closet component production and in the showroom. This piece will show how strategic investments can improve production speed, reduce costs, and expand customization capabilities, streamline workflows and enhance the client experience, providing a competitive edge.

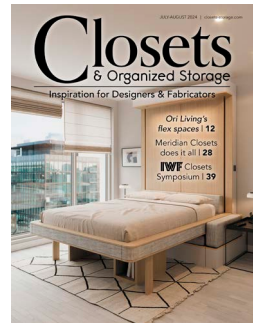
**Optimizing Workflow: From Concept to Completion**

How to streamline the entire project lifecycle, from initial client contact to final installation. This article will focus on leveraging software integration for precise construction drawings, automated bill of materials, and efficient client communication to enhance productivity and satisfaction.

**CNC Machinery & Tooling**

Highlighting modern machines and tools that boost precision, speed, and productivity

**Closing:** 6/19  
**Material due:** 6/26



**September/  
October**

**The Circular Economy of Closets**

This feature covers strategies for repurposing, recycling, and extending the lifecycle of closet materials and hardware, allowing businesses to explore opportunities to enhance their operations.

**Show Preview:** Design Chicago, October 2026  
**Show Preview:** Fall High Point Market, October 2026

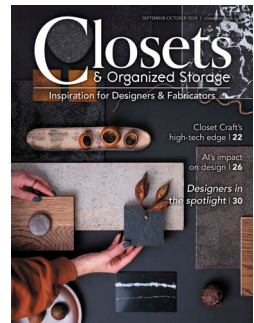
**Managing Client Expectations & Project Timelines**

Tactics to set clear expectations, communicate proactively, and manage delays without damaging relationships.

**Closet & Cabinet Hardware**

Latest innovations in hinges, pulls, knobs, soft-close systems, drawer slides, and other essential hardware that improve functionality and elevate design.

**Closing:** 8/19  
**Material due:** 8/26



**November/  
December**

**State of the Industry 2027: Challenges & Opportunities**

Our annual industry report delivers key insights on economic trends, revenue outlook, workforce issues, and emerging growth opportunities to help businesses navigate challenges and plan for the year ahead.

**Multi-Functional Spaces**

We'll showcase creative designs that integrate home offices, dedicated dressing areas, fitness nooks, or even tranquil meditation spaces, providing multi-purpose solutions for maximizing small living footprints.

**Show Preview:** KBIS & IBS, February 2027

**Year-End Planning: Goal Setting & Strategic Planning for 2027**

Tips, tools, and frameworks to help business owners review performance, forecast growth, and align their team around priorities for the year ahead.

**Drawers & Accessories**

Drawer boxes, systems, pull-out hampers, valet rods, baskets, drawer organizers, jewelry trays, belt racks, shoe storage, and other must-haves to boost efficiency and personalization.

**Closing:** 10/16  
**Material due:** 10/23

