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Industrial Designer Scott Henderson Receives Top Recognition from Design Industry Award Programs Amid Unprecedented Year

Henderson's ZShield Flex, reusable face shield for essential workers, named winner of the inaugural New York By Design TV Series and Fast Company's 2020 Innovation by Design



ZShield Flex; courtesy Scott Henderson Inc.

January 14, 2021 (New York, NY) — Industrial designer [Scott Henderson](#) has been named the winner of the inaugural [New York By Design](#), the new CBS television series for his reusable face shield design, **ZShield Flex**. The new series premiered in November 2020 and centered around New York innovation and design excellence. Henderson collaborated with South Carolina-based digital manufacturing company [ZVerse](#) to create a sleek, lightweight face shield that is poised to disrupt the current landscape of PPE available to the public.

A human-centered product designed with essential workers in mind, ZShield Flex clips around the user's neck, making it an ideal option for anyone who requires face protection for long shifts, such as food service workers, hairdressers, educators, and nonemergency medical workers. The large, plastic guard can be flipped down easily for idle use without touching the face or masking facial expressions, while protecting the user from direct transfer of respiratory droplets. To account for the safety of workers in busy kitchens, dining



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rooms, grocery stores and other quick-moving environments, the neck loop is open at the back, and can quickly release if the shield gets caught in anything.

Additionally, Henderson received some of the most respected 2020 design awards in the industry, including [Fast Company's 2020 Innovation By Design Award](#), winner in 'Workplace' category and Honorable Mention as Best Design North America for ZSHIELD; [DRIVENxDESIGN 2020 New York Design Award](#) GOLD award for Petal, the world's first zero-odor, germ-freezing waste bin that naturally stops rot, eliminates stink and halts the spread of germs; [2020 GOOD DESIGN® award](#) for Petal; and [Industrial Designers Society of America 20/20 Recognitions](#) award for extraordinary achievements in 2020.

Henderson is known for his design collaborations with clients including Microsoft, Jarden Consumer Solutions, Hamilton Beach brands, Intel, LynQ, Skip Hop and Nike, many of which have become top-selling products and industry disruptors. With over 50 patents in the U.S. and Europe for projects as diverse as housewares and home accessories to consumer medical products, electronics, even aircrafts, his work has been widely recognized in exhibitions, awards programs and in the media. In 2020, Henderson joined the stellar cast of CBS's *New York By Design* as a judge and presenter, which challenged New York designers to debate and inspire the next generation of designers. Currently, he is involved in the planning of new episodes for the CBS series, *America By Design*.

About Scott Henderson

Scott Henderson is among the top industrial designers working in America. Product designs for his global Fortune 500 client base have become best-selling industry disruptors, and his collection of useful and unique objects are sold to retailers and museums around the world, including the MoMA Design Store at the Museum of Modern Art in New York. Over 90 percent of Scott's projects have been mass-produced—a track record few designers can claim.

Scott's working perspective is that design should achieve “clever freshness.” *Clever* is ingenuity combined with a sense of wit; *freshness*, in turn, evokes feelings of health and happiness, lightness opposed to burden—a feeling of rebirth and the inspiration to move forward.

Aside from his award-winning work in industrial design, Scott is an experienced inventor, as evidenced in his portfolio of 50-plus patents in the U.S. and Europe for innovations in fields as diverse as housewares, home accessories, consumer medical products and electronics. His work is included in the permanent collections of the Brooklyn Museum, the Alessi Museum in Italy, and the Cooper Hewitt, Smithsonian Design Museum in New York. Scott is a nationally and internationally sought-after presenter on the topic of design.

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