

BEVOLO GAS & ELECTRIC LIGHTS

Business Spotlight

Founded in 1945 by Italian immigrant Andrew Bevolo Sr., Bevolo Metal Crafts evolved from restoring London gas streetlights with aviation rivets to crafting iconic gas lanterns. A pivotal moment came in the 1960s when architect A. Hays Town collaborated, birthing the original French Quarter Lantern. Today, led by Andrew “Drew” Bevolo III and his son Chris, Bevolo Gas & Electric Lights uses top-grade copper and innovative designs, boasting over 500 lantern options.

Awarded the Made in America honor in 2018, the 78-year-old company combines timeless elegance with modern trends. A testament to enduring craftsmanship and classic design, Bevolo’s lanterns grace homes across 50 states and 67 countries.

Design and functionality are the hallmarks of every light Bevolo places on a home or business. Regarding the influence and historical background for these visual creations, adds Drew Bevolo, “They complement classic, historic architecture from around the world. I think I’ve seen most of the lights on the planet since I was a little boy. They’re jewelry that defines and completes great buildings and homes.”

Bevolo’s gas and electric light creations are indeed works of art. Each lantern is meticulously crafted from the highest quality brass, copper materials, and other pure metals. These durable materials give the light a lovely aesthetic and create sustainability.

“We use the purest domestic copper with a 300- year life span, burners that last over 50 years, and the fact that you can go 20 years without changing a light bulb is truly remarkable,” adds Drew Bevolo. The attention to detail, methodical craftsmanship, and the best and most sustainable materials are standard for the 78-year-old company.

The Bevolo lantern is a thing of beauty. To attain a weathered copper aesthetic and infuse enduring character into its appearance, each fixture undergoes a precise hand-riveting procedure and oxidation, developing a vintage copper hue complemented by inviting warm caramel undertones. This classic look has become the Bevolo trademark.

Efficiency is not compromised in the pursuit of beauty. With the Bevolo patented Batwing Flame, it is the most efficient gas light burner in the world. The Bevolo gas light uses 50% to 70% less BTUs than any other lights on the market. The Batwing Flame motto, “Twice the flame, half the cost,” is rooted in this efficiency.

Beyond aesthetics and efficiency, Bevolo gaslights epitomize reliability. Withstanding any climate, the Bevolo gaslight is designed to burn continuously.

An additional component in the gaslight design is the wind baffling system. This extra safeguard feature helps mitigate the impact of wind on the flame of the gaslight, making harsh wind conditions that impact the flame obsolete.

In a world dominated by mass production, Bevolo Gas & Electric Lights holds firm to the traditional handmade craftsmanship of days gone by. Drew Bevolo emphasizes, “I’m encouraged by our own craftsmen and coppersmiths who started with us at a young age and dedicated themselves to the same principles that our company was founded on.” Perpetuating these founding principles reflects a dedication to preserving a timeless art form. As Bevolo continues to illuminate our surroundings, it upholds a legacy of craftsmanship and innovation that resonates through the ages.

