



## ARTIST SPOTLIGHT

# DON HODGES

Born in East Texas to a father who was a chemical engineer and a mother who owned a contemporary dance studio, Don's formative years were imprinted with an appreciation for both the precise and the unconstrained.

After studying Business and Art History at Southern Methodist University, Don worked with his partner in their Dallas based art gallery which specialized in contemporary European artists. In recognition of his eye for design and composition, Don was recruited by Ralph Lauren and moved to New York City. Nine years later, and preferring the pace of the South, Don returned to Dallas where he designed and produced a line of sculptural objects for the home which were sold throughout Texas and surrounding states.

In 2016, Don became the Art Coordinator, now the Art Director, for the Billingsley Company, a family owned, Dallas based real estate developer which continues to shape the Dallas landscape with art-enriched office and multi-family developments.

Don currently sits on the [Farmers Branch Arts and Culture Committee](#) and is excitedly awaiting the installation of the art he co-designed for the future Cypress Waters DART Station.