Eric Higgs

Eric Higgs is a nationally recognized sculptor based in St. Petersburg, Fla. He creates fine and functional sculpture in the primary mediums of stone and metal. Higgs has been chosen for numerous public, private, and corporate commissions and has participated in solo and group shows throughout the U.S., France, and Japan. Some of his significant public commissions and collections have been for the cities of St. Petersburg, Fla., Coral Gables, Fla., Englewood Hospital, Tampa, FL, Sarasota, Fla., and the Charles Schwab Corporate Offices in Pleasanton, Calif. He has sculpture in the permanent collection of the French national museum, Chateau Musee in Vallauris, France, Mitsui Corporation,

Higgs' artwork has been showcased in the Fete Picasso in France, the Gallery Seiho, Tokyo, Espace Grand-Jean, France, Aqui Siam Ben Gallery, Vallauris, France, Rack and Hamper Gallery, New York, and the Meguro Museum, Tokyo. He has taught stone carving in both the U.S. and France. He has been featured in numerous magazines and newspapers, including *The San Francisco Chronicle*, the *Tampa Tribune, the St. Petersburg Times,* and *Senses Art & Culture* magazine. Higgs served as a Director of The Arts Center in St. Petersburg, Fla. and is a member of numerous arts organizations.

Prior to embarking on his career as a sculptor, Higgs worked in the Silicon Valley high-tech industry for several years, during which he served as the Chief Information Officer of Citysearch in Los Angeles. He also was the founding Chief Operating Officer of Cerego a learning technology company based in Tokyo, and Founder and CEO of LumaStream, an innovative power technology company.

A native of Chapel Hill, N.C., Higgs received his bachelor's degree from William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va., where he studied fine art and computer science. After working in Washington, D.C., he earned his master's degree in business administration from Stanford University's Graduate School of Business, while also pursuing independent coursework through Stanford University's fine art department.