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Born September 8, 1966 in San Diego California, the son of a well-known wooden boat designer/builder, craftsman and business owner.

He took an interest in art in 5th grade when watercolor artist Suzy Spafford (Suzy's Zoo), gave a demonstration at school. Shortly afterwards he began taking private studies from a professor at the Point Loma University. Using watercolor techniques he enjoyed painting ocean and yachting scenes for several years.

Always having a close relationship with family, he worked along side his father at the boatyard, learning woodworking and metalworking skills along with mechanical and technical practice.

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After his father's death, at 18 years of age, he turned his focus on motorsports to pursue a career as a professional racer. Refining his metal working skills he began work in this arena, designing and manufacturing high performance parts for sportscars and racecars. Here he worked with extremely crucial, close tolerance metal forming, machining and welding techniques. As a driver he understood and respected these techniques, as these small details made a big difference at the finish line.

After ten years of traveling and working long days and nights in motorsports he returned to the marine industry to create custom stainless steel and aluminum products for fine yachts. Although these products have their practical propose, he insisted on designing them with an artistic taste.

Still residing in San Diego, he is now creating stainless steel and aluminum pendulum sculptures. These unique pieces have life of their own as they sway counter balanced with a slow, tranquil motion.

