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Ben Johnston Avondale Design Studio

Ben Johnston and his team are known for creating distinctive spaces that are luxurious reflections of his clients' personal tastes and histories. Taking inspirational cues from a variety of cultures and time periods, Ben says, "I like to blend new, vintage and antique pieces to create contemporary spaces that feel curated over a lifetime." He accomplishes this tasteful mix while adhering to the classic design principles of balance and simplicity through the application of clean lines and tailored details—timeless sensibilities he credits to his previous study and practice of architecture. His distinctive spaces operate beyond pure function to create a desired mood and ambiance, while still embodying Ben's unmistakable sense of style. His work has received numerous design awards, and earned him the distinction of being recognized as a 'Rising Star of Design' by the Decorative Center Houston and a 'Leader in Design' by the Houston Design Center.

Ben and his team bring tremendous knowledge and experience to designing exceptional spaces—from conception to construction, from styling to decoration. They believe that all good design begins with function, but great design requires quality and exceptional taste that can only come from experience and a finely honed instinct. *For more information about Ben Johnston and Avondale Design Studio, visit avondaledesignstudio.com.*

This stunning space recently appeared in the new coffee table book for Stark entitled, *Designing with Carpets: A Fine Foundation* (2016), as well as in the company's print catalogues. The contemporary office features Stark carpet, a desk and chair by Swaim, and the Duke Suspension Light from Delightfull. Painting by Ryan Fugate.



Interior Photo by Ben Johnston



Portrait by Julie Soefer

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FORMAL LIVING ROOM

Ben's team is capable of creating incredible renderings to communicate with his clients. This rendering is for a home currently in development in the Memorial area.