



## RICHARD FRINIER

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### FAVORITE QUOTE?

The best is yet to come.

### DREAM COLLABORATION?

My current dream collaboration is our new home and studio under construction in California. From the location to the interior and exterior spaces to the structure itself—this will be many dreams coming together and realized at the same time.

### CURRENTLY READING?

A signed copy of Beth Macy's *Factory Man*, given to me by Karla Webb, Executive Director of the Bienenstock Furniture Library.

### INDUSTRY PEOPLE YOU ADMIRE?

The Gant Family of Glen Raven/Sunbrella fabrics for their vision, innovation, eco-conscious responsibility, and their strong sense of community and family, which is not only generational but also across their extended family of employees, partners, and customers around the world.

### TRENDS YOU LOVE?

I am not a trend follower, because it seems to me if something is trending then it has been happening for some time and is more likely to be on its way out.

### TRENDS YOU COULD HAVE DONE WITHOUT?

Skull and bone motifs.

### DO-OVER DREAM CAREER?

No do-over. I am living my dream.

### MOST INFLUENTIAL PERSON/ROLE MODEL IN YOUR LIFE?

Phil Krinitt, who inspired me to become a furniture designer. Robert Currey, who inspires me to enjoy living. Elon Musk, who inspires all of us to think differently.

### LUNCH WITH ANYONE, DEAD OR ALIVE?

Pythagoras and Fibonacci. I would like to discuss the mathematical relationships between nature, proportion, and music.

### LIFE HAS TAUGHT ME...

...that all we have is time. Be authentic. Give back. Enjoy the ride.

### IN MY REFRIGERATOR RIGHT NOW . . .

...fresh organic foods and a small zip lock with rolls of black and white film for my vintage Rolleiflex camera.

### IF YOU WERE ANY TYPE OF FABRIC?

I would be a modern blend of substance, elasticity, and color that enjoys a relaxing day in the sun.

Richard Frinier is an internationally acclaimed, award-winning designer of textiles, furnishings, lighting, and accessories for interiors and exteriors. He has created thousands of designs across hundreds of collections garnering more than 90 design excellence and career achievement designations, including a Lifetime Achievement Award from the International Casual Furnishings Association and a Stars of Design Award from the Pacific Design Center in Los Angeles. His travels to more than 40 countries across five continents combined with a passion for design and understanding of materials translate into a unique international style that is authentic, relevant, and memorable.