

## **Campbell Cummings Hutchinson, III**

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Born and raised in Shreveport, Louisiana, Campbell Cummings Hutchinson earned his law degree from the Tulane School of Law and practiced corporate law for 39 years in New Orleans.

In 2006, he fully retired to pursue his passion for art, a hobby he cultivated since 1987. Bold in color and stroke, Hutch was fearless with his painting, taking chances that allowed him to grow into a successful second career as an artist with twelve solo gallery openings. With the encouragement of his wife Allison, he realized art was his true calling, as it afforded him the freedom to take chances otherwise impossible within the confines of his career as a lawyer. His subject matter ranged from human and animal portraits to landscapes, yet the highlight of each year was the publication of a book of paintings accompanied by limericks, poems or quotes, ostensibly for his grandchildren but prized by many.

More important to him than any accomplishment in his professional career is KID smART, a non-profit he co-founded with his wife Allison in 1999. KID smART was formed to counter the lack of funding for art education and to promote arts-integrated learning in New Orleans public schools. Starting with one school and twenty

students in 1999, KID smART has expanded to serve dozens of schools in New Orleans. Over nearly 25 years, KID smART has grown to become a multifaceted arts education program using the arts as a means to teach core curriculum subjects. It has touched the lives of thousands of children and countless educators who learned powerful new ways to connect with their students. Today, it is recognized as a national and global leader in arts-integrated education. While he was born and raised in Louisiana, Hutch's spiritual home was in the mountains of Colorado, where he spent as much time as he possibly could hiking, skiing and painting.