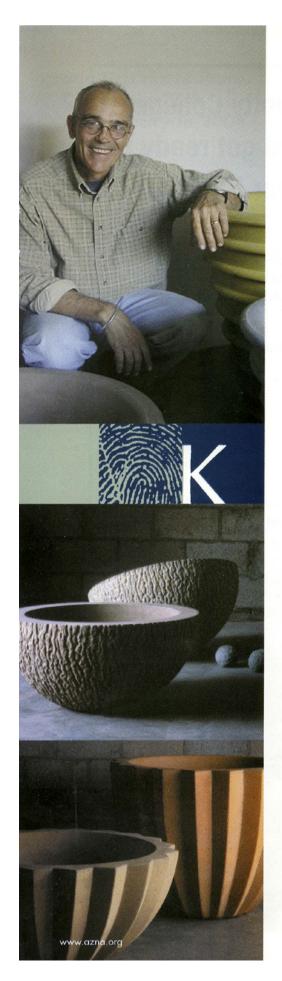


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Arizona natives, Larry and Paula Kornegay, have been the owners of Kornegay Design since 1997. Larry is a designer, sculptor, and an artist, and Paula is an art historian. Once perceived as only a utilitarian material, concrete has recently become a fashion trend in the design community, and Kornegay Design of Tempe is among the trendsetters. Kornegay Design has taken an ancient material to an advanced level of sophistication that is considered as art.

As an architectural detail and environmental designer, Larry works with many of Arizona's architects, landscape architects and designers. The idea for the business originated one day when Larry was involved in a conversation with an architect, a landscape architect, and a homeowner who were discussing the lack of selection in planters required for a spectacular contemporary residence. Larry was determined to create a line of well-crafted and finely designed planters that would remain an attractive addition to their environment for decades.

Kornegay Design is not a retail business, as they sell exclusively to architects, landscape architects, and landscape contractors. The Kornegays greatly enjoy working with their clients, and forming close relationships. The company offers five distinctive planter styles, with a new addition on the way, the Dune Series. These concrete planters are made to order and are available in a wide spectrum of beautiful pigments as well as a natural concrete color. The

crisply geometric Faceted Series and the softer flowing Ribbed Series contribute to the contemporary fashion for blending interior and exterior décor and landscape. The striking Mex Bold Series displays the sensual properties of concrete, and the smooth surfaces of the Square Series exhibits Kornegays's commitment to a well-crafted product. The spherical Nutshell Series has an outer surface texture that resembles walnut shells. They have also recently started producing waste and trash receptacles that match their ribbed series.

Not only does Kornegay sell planters, but Larry also displays one of his sculpture creations at the Desert Botanical Gardens in Phoenix. His is the one and only sculpture that is on display with the beautiful environment at the Garden. His sculpture becomes one with the earth and blends superbly with the surrounding plant life. Currently, the sculpture is under renovation, but it will return to its home at the Gardens soon.

Their business philosophy is simple; create a beautiful design with quality castings and wonderful colors. These planters can be considered as the mediator between architectural splendors and their environment. Larry explained, "I design with the purpose of providing objects that enhance architecture and provide a key transition to the surrounding environment. Moreover, our attention to craftsmanship ensures that the products will remain an attractive addition to the setting for decades."