





HOT LAUNCH

# HOME STAR STATE

Founder of Studio 6F, Chicago-based interior designer Gil Melott recently launched his new furniture line **Gil Melott BESPOKE**, made with earth- and jewel-toned fabrics and natural materials. Melott's vision stems from his youthful experience in Central Texas, and role models—such as writer William Faulkner, designer Edward Wormley and even his Uncle Foy—also inspired his work. Fabrications in BESPOKE include bronze and metallic hues combined with refined carpentry and trailblazing designs. The three pieces below provide a glimpse of Melott's intent: the connection of each piece with individuals in a direct yet intimate way. "The idea of handmade is critical," Melott says. "I think that is what makes each element of the collection a moment for me to be proud of."

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### Flotar Sofa

With this elegant sofa (\$9,200),
Melott creates a piece that provides
a floating element (hence its clever
name), like the architectural
elements of an old rail bridge. It
also describes the sofa's plush,
cloudlike woven linen and
wool fabric.



## Luz SC Form 9 Bronze Sconce

Watching the light hit the limestone hills at sunset in his native Texas inspired Melott to create the Luz wall light (\$3,600). The bronze sculpture's dome shade creates soft illumination, much like the sun might as it slips behind a hill.



#### **V** Lounge Chair

Upholstered with luxurious blue mohair and made with solid black maple wood carpentry, this urban lounging chair (\$3,400) combines an earthgrounded mood with an organic energy.



RAISE A GLASS

#### PREVIEW + PROVIDE

The opening night of the Chicago Antiques + Art + Design Show not only gives guests first dibs on the treasures—antiques plus decorative and fine arts spanning from ancient to 20th century modern—brought by the show's 60 international, local and national exhibitors, but it's also a chance to hear Margaret Cavenagh, principal of interior architecture at Studio Gang, speak about her passion for interior spaces. If you're too busy schmoozing to shop, the opening night ticket allows reentry all weekend. The Woman's Board of Northwestern Memorial Hospital presents the opening night festivities, with all proceeds supporting and expanding the hospital's patient care initiatives. Stay tuned for new dates, the Mart, chicagoantiquesartdesign.com -Natalie Dixon



CENTURY CLUB

# **Under Foot**

Oscar Isberian Rugs, a thirdgeneration family business known for its selection of vintage, custom and modern rugs, is celebrating its most important landmark: 100 years. The Tatosian family, which includes brothers Oscar and Sarkis who now run the company, will celebrate the 100th anniversary with special events throughout the year. "What can we say other than thank you for your continued trust?" Oscar asks. "We are immensely proud and profoundly grateful." Cheers to a century! 120 Kinzie St., isberian.com -KW