**Steve Kemble Biography**

Steve Kemble, recently profiled in *The New York Times*, is a known commodity. The world-renowned event planner, named one of the “Top 10 in the World” by *Departures Magazine*, has thrown bashes for the likes of George W. Bush, Barack Obama, the Dallas Cowboys, Oprah Winfrey and many names one would recognize from the Forbes list. He’s built himself into a brand as “America’s Sassiest Lifestyle Guru” with a number of TV appearances on shows ranging from “Extreme Makeover: Wedding Edition” to CBS’s “Early Show.” He’s even the youngest recipient of the Special Event GALA Lifetime Achievement Award.

Kemble’s first job out of college was with the event staff for U.S. Congressman Jim Collins. When Collins lost his seat to U.S. Senator Lloyd Bentson, Kemble joined the Dallas Chamber of Commerce public relations department and later served on the Statue of Liberty Restoration campaign under Lee laaocca. By the time he was twenty-six, Kemble was ready to start his own event planning company called Steve Kemble Event Design. Since then he has garnered more than twenty-five industry awards, and has been inducted into the Event Industry Hall of Fame. Kemble has also been recognized as a Distinguished Alumni of Texas State University, one of Kemble’s proudest accomplishments. Kemble founded the ILEA Dallas Chapter and served as its president for two years. Kemble also served as the president of the Dallas Meeting Professionals International Chapter and received the MPI International Planner of the Year award. Additionally, Kemble is active in the National Association of Catering and Events and served on its national board of directors. Kemble was a founding member of the SEARCH Foundation and went on to serve as the chairman of the organization.

Kemble expanded his brand during the last decade through TV and radio where he used his bright, engaging personality to become one of America’s most recognizable fashion and lifestyle experts, appearing on “Good Morning America,” “The Today Show,” E’s “Oscar’s Red Carpet,” and NBC’s “Globes’ Red Carpet,” and more.