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DEAN MILLS

BIOGRAPHY

Dean Mills is a high school senior at Mirabeau B. Lamar High School in Houston, Texas, and an emerging visual artist with a strong focus on identity and introspection. Their work explores the dynamic between internal emotion and external perception, often shifting fluidly between abstraction and realism.

Dean will be attending the Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA) to further develop their artistic voice and practice. Their work has garnered recognition through prestigious awards, including a Scholastic Art & Writing Silver Key, and has been showcased at the Holocaust Museum Houston, traveling Houston ISD exhibitions, and Hardy & Nance Studios.

EDUCATION

2025	Incoming Student: Maryland Institute College of Art (Mica), Fall 2025 Mirabeau B. Lamar High School, IB CTE Art Diploma, Class of 2025
2024-25	National Honor Society

EXHIBITIONS

2025	<i>Inward / Outward</i> , Hooks-Epstein Galleries, Houston, TX (solo pop-up) <i>Senior IB Art Exhibition</i> , Hardy & Nance Studios, Houston, TX
2024	Traveling Exhibition, Houston ISD, Houston, TX <i>Threads of Gold</i> , Asia Society Texas, Houston, TX Spring Exhibition, Houston ISD, Houston, TX
2019	<i>Social Justice through Photography</i> , Holocaust Museum Houston, Houston, TX

AWARDS

Silver Key, Scholastic Art & Writing Awards (2025)
Faris Foundation Ribbon, *Threads of Gold* (2024)
Three-time Regional/State Advancement, Visual Arts Scholastic Event (VASE)
District Winner/State Advancement, SkillsUSA Texas