

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT: PMHS Student Awarded Scholastic National Gold Medal

STUDENT GROUP: Pasadena Memorial High School Art

ACCOMPLISHMENT(s): Joshua Washington, a senior at Pasadena Memorial High School, was awarded a National Gold Medal from the 2025 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards, one of the most prestigious recognitions for creative teens in the nation. Joshua's award-winning drawing earned him a place among a talented group of young artists who were honored last week at a special ceremony held at Carnegie Hall in New York City.

The 2025 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards received over 300,000 submissions from students across the United States. Of those, about 2,500 were selected as National Medalists, representing the top tier of student creativity in visual art and writing.

Joshua's Gold Medal award-winning piece, a powerful drawing of his former art teacher, titled "Age in Bloom," places him in the top 1% of participants nationwide. His work stood out for its emotional depth, technical skill, and originality.



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BOARD MEETING DATE: June 24, 2025