

## QUINN MCKAY



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Quinn McKay's creative energies are rooted in a love of architecture from an early age, blended with a deep connection to nature. Elements of his designs are inspired by the clean lines we surround ourselves with and the natural forms outside of that. Throughout much of his work, the use of nature's proportions are present. Ellipses are preferred over circles to pull the eye through the piece with comfort and interest. This creates a wonderful contrast between the rigid nature of steel and intentional natural form.

Attending the American College of the Building Arts solidified Quinn's love of forging metal. He celebrates the material in his pieces by preserving its natural displacement when forged, leaving the evidence of each manipulation of the material. Acting with this sense of preservation is his homage to the tradition of forging. Through his time spent here, Quinn explored many different styles within his ironwork taking the most influence from Art Nouveau and the Arts and Crafts movement.

After graduating ACBA in 2023, Quinn is now working at two different shops in Birmingham, AL and working independently as McKay Forged Metals.