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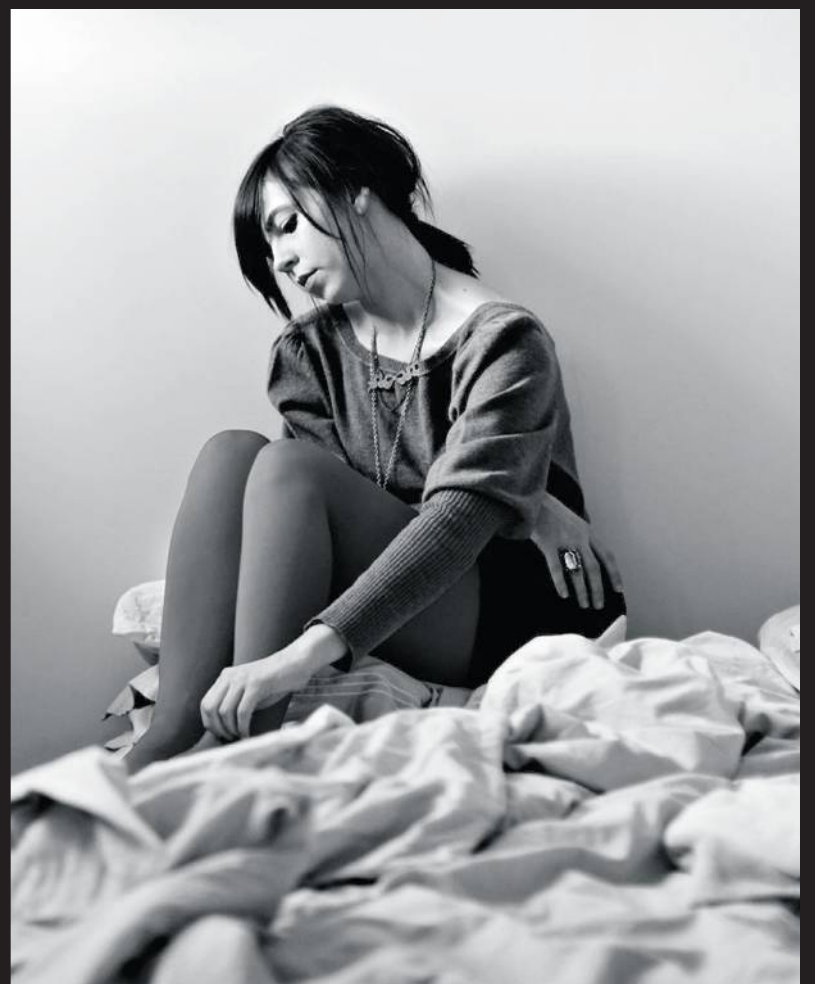
The New Black



Looks from Black's spring collection and, at right, the designer at home in NYC

After cutting her teeth at Anna Sui and Club Monaco, Clear Lake High School and Parsons grad **Caycee Black**, 29, set out on her own, prompting *Women's Wear Daily* and British *Vogue* to peg her as a designer to watch. The New York-based painter, dancer and amateur filmmaker says her colorful spring collection, available at Tootsies, is inspired by a "dark fairy tale." cayceblack.com

How is Texas different from New York? Houston is not afraid of color. A gray and black palette is a lot easier for New Yorkers to understand. **Tell me about your prints.** Everything is a story. One is a [compilation of] hundreds of snapshots I took of the opening scene of Hitchcock's *The Birds*. **What's your favorite piece?** The Picnic dress. The print is something I drew on my [rock musician] boyfriend's floor. The front is this sweet angelic dress and the back is all cut up. It's a moment of unexpectedness. **If you could dress any musician...** Taylor Swift! She's so cute and genuine. **First thing you do when you get home to Houston?** Eat Mexican food. Then I go dig at thrift stores like Value Village. I find outrageous pieces, like YSL ties for 50 cents. **Obb, which location?** It's a secret!



High Ball!

Four Houston style stars tout tips to get seriously glam and gala-ready this spring



Clutch City

Beth Younger helps you select an Italian leather exterior and suede lining before sketching your bag-to-be, such as the one below left. She even signs and frames the sketch and leather swatches as souvenirs.

JulieBeth Cocktail Napkin clutch, \$450 at julie-beth.com. Private trunk show at Sloan/Hall, 2620 Westheimer Rd., Feb. 25, 12-6PM, 713.412.1771

Power Suit

Cesar Galindo's foiled gold-taupe linen jumpsuit's plunging halter neckline is black-tie-appropriate, and the ensemble's so easy-fitting you can boogie all night. See left. \$1,450, by special order, info.cesargalindo@gmail.com

Watch It

The next trend in men's accessories is a throwback to a bygone era—the pocket watch. Keep time with Tissot's stainless steel iteration, just left. "What's old is new again," says stylist **Todd Ramos**. \$245, by special order at *Tourneau*, in the Galleria



P. Jai's men's boutique

Man oh Man!

Jeremy "Jai" Fain's hip boutique **P. Jai's** spotlights color and stand-out details—"classic funk with a twist," he says, reflected in lines like Desigual (hand-crafted looks Barcelona), blazers by Italian-inspired L.A. label Carapace, and Rast distressed dark-rinse jeans. And look for killer bargains among Italian shoes and Ben Sherman bags. Prices are low, Fain says, "so people can enjoy what *2542 Amberst St., 713.526.1800*

Bright Ice

Liz Glanville's new DeVille jewelry salon stocks splashy sparklers like these 18K yellow-gold, diamond and blue topaz earrings, above. \$2,450, *5700 Woodway Dr., Ste. 250, 281.501.3810*