

IIDA GEORGIA STUDENT COMPETITION & SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The IIDA Georgia Student Competition and Scholarship Program recognizes and honors the design excellence that IIDA student members bring forth to the profession of interior design. Furthermore, the student competition and scholarship program pays homage to the various visual and written skills that students have acquired while in academia that will allow them to be better prepared to be future interior design professionals.

Eligibility:

1. Scholarship awards are offered to IIDA student members pursuing a degree in interior design at a college or university within the IIDA Georgia chapter.
2. Student must be enrolled in an interior design program.
3. Student must have GPA of 3.0 or above in the interior design program. Academic transcripts must be submitted along with student entry application.
4. Student must be a current IIDA Student Member in good standing or a student with IIDA Student Membership pending at the time of entry application submission.

Judging Process:

1. Students may enter one or more of the three award categories of their choosing:
 - a. Sustainability
 - b. Social Relevance in Design
 - c. Innovation in Design
2. The student will be judged based on criteria of:
 - a. Written skills
 - b. Visual presentation skills

Each criteria will have a set number of points that will be tallied together to obtain an overall score. The panel of judges will be composed of two interior design professional IIDA members and one industry member.
3. Written Skills Criteria - Students are to submit a written summary of the project that includes, but not limited to the project statement and design concept. In addition, a 500 words minimum essay will accompany the student application.
4. Visual Presentation Criteria - Students will present a design project that they believe is relevant to the selected award category and has been completed as part of their coursework in an interior design program. For the application process, students must present a power point presentation. The rendering media and overall board organization is at the student's discretion.

Scholarship Awards:

1. One cash scholarship will be awarded to the top student in each of the three award categories
2. Student winners will be notified via an email from the IIDA Georgia Board.
3. Student winners will be recognized at the 2018 IIDA Georgia Best of the Best Awards Gala and on IIDA Georgia's website. The winners will receive a free ticket to the Best of the Best Awards Gala on February 22rd, 2018.
4. Scholarship awards will be forwarded directly to the student winners by IIDA's national headquarters rather than IIDA Georgia. The scholarship awards will be taxable, please consult with your financial advisor.

Award Categories:

Sustainable Design: First place winner receives \$1,000 Scholarship

Students submitting for Sustainable Design will present design projects that address the principles and guidelines of sustainable design, which safeguard Society's limited natural resources and conserve energy. Examples of sustainable design are design projects that follow the principles of LEED or Green Globes certification.

Social Relevance in Design: First place winner receives \$1,000 Scholarship

Students submitting for Social Relevance in Design will present design projects that address a social and cultural issue that demonstrates how the principles of interior design may be applied to significantly transform a surrounding environment and improve the wellbeing of individuals, communities and society. Examples of social and cultural issues that may be addressed are adaptive reuse, assisted living, healthcare design, universal design, historic preservation, or design programs that address the needs of underrepresented populations.

Innovation in Design: First place winner receives \$1,000 Scholarship

Students submitting for this category will present design projects that convey innovative and creative thought provoking designs solutions that synthesize the essence of the design problem. The focus of this category is the design process that led to the solution. The subject of the design projects is not limited to any particular building type or scope. It is important for the students to clearly articulate the design problem and the steps that led to the process designing creative solutions, steps such as research, planning and graphic arts.

Submission Requirements

1. Complete the Student Completion and Scholarship application, including required written essay.
2. Submit a 500 word minimum essay that outlines student desire to pursue interior design as a profession and how do them as future interior design professionals envision themselves participating in IIDA as well as the profession at large.
3. Application and work should be formatted as a pdf and submitted via email to studentaffairs@iidageorgia.org. Hard copies of submissions will not be accepted.
4. Include proof of IIDA membership (member number or copy of membership application) and a copy of unsealed academic transcript with submission.
5. Submissions must be received no later than 5:00pm on January 31st, 2018 (late submissions will not be considered.)
6. In the subject line in the email write YOUR NAME and the words COMPLETED APPLICATION.
Example: Mary Smith completed application.
7. Applications will be reviewed and an email receipt will be forwarded to students for confirmation purposes.

On behalf of IIDA Georgia, we thank you for your interest in participating in the 2018 IIDA Georgia Student Competition and Scholarship Program and we look forward to viewing your creative design projects.