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IIDA 2015 INTERIOR DESIGN COMPETITION AND WILL CHING DESIGN COMPETITION NOW OPEN

Chicago, IL – The International Interior Design Association (IIDA) announced today the opening of the Association’s two premier design competitions, the 42nd annual Interior Design Competition and the 23rd annual Will Ching Design Competition. These international competitions honor outstanding, innovative, original designs in multiple categories with the Interior Design Competition open to firms of any size and the Will Ching Design Competition open to firms of five employees or fewer.

“In recent years, design has evolved so that spaces are not only beautifully executed, modern, and sophisticated – but also impactful. I look forward to a diverse portfolio of unique and innovative projects that invite us to think about where the future of design is headed,” said IIDA Executive Vice President and CEO Cheryl S. Durst, Hon. FIIDA, LEED AP.

The Interior Design Competition and Will Ching Design Competition are open to participants worldwide. Any design professional practicing legally in their jurisdiction may submit design project(s). The design project(s) must have been completed after January 1, 2013. Entrants to the 2015 Interior Design Competition may submit projects to the following categories:

- Corporate Space Large (1,000 square meters and above)
- Corporate Space Small (under 1,000 square meters)
- Education (elementary/secondary educational facilities, colleges/universities)
- Entertainment (casinos, performing arts centers, sports arenas, theatres)
- Healthcare (hospitals, outpatient clinics, medical facilities)
- Hospitality (lounges, bars)
- Hotels
- Institutional (cultural, government/municipal spaces, libraries, religious spaces)
- Residences (private homes, embassies, consulates, assisted/senior living)
- Restaurants
- Retail (stores, boutiques)
- Showrooms/Exhibition Spaces/Sales Centers
- Spas/fitness

Deadline to enter both competitions is Friday, Feb. 6, 2015. Winners of both competitions will be celebrated during NeoCon 2015 at COOL, the annual IIDA black-tie gala, on June 15, 2015, at The Ritz Carlton Chicago. Winning projects will be featured on the IIDA website and in the June 2015 issue of Interior Design magazine, the publishing partner for the competitions.

Visit the competitions page on the IIDA website for complete details about the Interior Design Competition and the Will Ching Design Competition. For questions and more information, please contact Liz Moran, IIDA Design Competitions Manager, at lmoran@iida.org.
About International Interior Design Association

IIDA is the Commercial Interior Design Association with a global reach. We support design professionals, industry affiliates, educators, students, firms, and their clients through our network of 13,000+ Members across 50 countries. IIDA advocates for advancements in education, design excellence, legislation, leadership, accreditation, and community outreach to increase the value and understanding of Interior Design as a profession that enhances business value and positively impacts the health and well-being of people’s lives every day. [www.iida.org](http://www.iida.org)