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5th ANNUAL IIDA HEALTHCARE INTERIOR DESIGN COMPETITION NOW OPEN

CHICAGO — The International Interior Design Association (IIDA) proudly announces the opening of its 5th annual Healthcare Interior Design Competition. This competition honors and celebrates outstanding originality and excellence in the design and furnishings of healthcare interior spaces.

“Designers intuitively understand that exceptional design can positively impact a patient's well-being and overall experience. With more research showing the link between design and positive patient outcomes, designers are making a tremendous impact on the healthcare industry,” said IIDA Executive Vice President and CEO Cheryl S. Durst, Hon. FIIDA, LEED AP. “We are looking forward to once again receiving submissions that reflect the ever-evolving and healing nature of healthcare design.”

Submissions are being accepted in the following categories:

- Ambulatory Care Centers, including Outpatient Clinics, Medical Practice Suites, and Medical Office Building Public Spaces
- Hospice Care, including Palliative Care Facilities/Units
- Hospitals, including Community/Academic/Teaching Hospitals, Pediatric Hospitals, Women’s Hospitals, and Geriatric Hospitals
- Senior Living and Residential Health, Care and Support Facilities, including Assisted Living Facilities, Nursing Homes, Community-based Service Facilities, and Continuing Care Retirement Communities

The Healthcare Interior Design Competition is open to participants worldwide. Any design professional practicing legally within his or her jurisdiction may submit project(s) for consideration via the competition website. Projects submitted must have been completed in or after June 2014. The deadline for entries is Thursday, August 11, 2016.

The winning projects will be chosen by a jury of design professionals. Winning projects will be published in an issue of Healthcare Design magazine, featured on the IIDA website, and promoted on IIDA social media networks to more than 300,000 followers. The Best of Competition winner also will be featured in the IIDA video series, Designer Dialogue.

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