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IIDA ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF 14TH ANNUAL STUDENT DESIGN COMPETITION

CHICAGO, IL — IIDA is proud to announce the winners of the 2019 Student Design Competition, sponsored by OFS and Carolina. This year’s competition focused on the healthcare sector and challenged participants to design critical aspects of an ambulatory surgery center.

"Today's design students are tasked with shaping the built environment of tomorrow. It is important to recognize fresh and forward-thinking approaches to the ways in which design can positively impact people, particularly in healthcare spaces where care and connectivity are critical” said IIDA Executive Vice President and CEO Cheryl S. Durst, Hon. FIIDA. “This year's submissions showcased a sensitivity, creativity, and true understanding of the purposeful implementation of design into a healthcare environment.”

Congratulations to Wan Ting Hsieh, Student IIDA and Ying Zhong, Student IIDA, of the New York School of Interior Design, who won first place and $2,500 for their project, Embrace ASC.

Aishwarya Rekha Gunta and Kristianne Simeon of Drexel University received second place honors and $1,500 for their project, Synthesis: A Fusion Between Nature & Adaptive Design Elements.

Third place and $750 went to Anna Kathryn Russell and Carlie Teffeteller of Mississippi State University for their project Ambulatory Surgery Center.

Entries were judged by a panel of design professionals, including Edwin A. Beltran, FIIDA, principal, NBBJ; Amy Mays, IIDA, interior design practice leader, HDR; and Natalie Thomas, national accounts director, healthcare, OFS and Carolina.

The winning projects can be viewed on the IIDA website. For more information or questions in regards to this or other IIDA awards, contact Clare Socker, design competitions manager, at csocker@iida.org.
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