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IIDA ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF 15TH ANNUAL
STUDENT DESIGN COMPETITION

CHICAGO — IIDA is proud to announce the winners of the 2020 Student Design Competition, sponsored by OFS and Carolina. This annual competition provides emerging professionals with the opportunity to showcase their work and gain exposure in the interior design industry. This year’s competition brief challenged participants to design a fictitious digestive health clinic for a physician’s group specializing in gastroenterology.

“The Student Design Competition allows us to preview what the future of design has in store through these real-world design solutions,” said IIDA Executive Vice President and CEO Cheryl S. Durst, Hon. FIIDA. “This year’s winning submissions demonstrated design sophistication and a strong understanding of what all who experience healthcare spaces—from individuals and families to employees—require in a healing environment.”

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

“We were impressed by the commitment, potential, and overall design abilities of each student submission this year,” said Beltran on behalf of the jury. “The winners were a stand-out group, expressing strong design solutions and a firm understanding of health and wellness environments.”

The 2020 Student Design Competition winners are:

First Place
Tak Ying Chan and Wanlu Liu
Pratt Institute

**Project:** Osmosis Digestive Health Clinic

**Second Place**
Erica Vallejo, Student IIDA, and Katherine White, Student IIDA
University of Texas at Arlington

**Project:** Curecology

**Third Place**
Krisnhoe Rinaldy
Bandung Institute of Technology

**Project:** Connect - Nature: Supportive Design for Digestive Clinic

Winners received awards of $2,500, $1,500, and $750, respectively. All winning projects can be viewed on the [IIDA website](https://www.iida.org).

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