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Call for Entries for iaedp Foundation’s 2015 Symposium “Imagine Me” Art Competition

Pekin, ILL (October 14, 2014) – The [International Association of Eating Disorder Professionals Foundation \(iaedp™\)](#) announces its fifth annual “*Imagine Me Beyond What You See*” Body Image Mannequin Art Competition with a call for entries. Created in 2010 as a key highlight of iaedp’s annual educational symposium, the competition is designed to promote healthy awareness and acceptance of body images, using mannequins as a unique and realistic palette for artistic expression. Once the winners are selected, the winning mannequin entries are unveiled and spotlighted at the 2015 Annual Symposium, held next year on March 19-23 at the Pointe Hilton Tapatio Cliffs Resort in Phoenix.

The competition solidifies iaedp’s reputation for a standard of excellence in eating disorder education. Entries are accepted from October 15, 2014 through January 15, 2015 and are judged on clarity of theme, creativity and originality, quality of composition and design and the overall impression and presentation. Use of mixed mediums is optional. Past entries have featured materials from paper mache to shards of mirror.

“The art competition was created to help people learn to accept who they are and be comfortable in their bodies. Feelings are hard to define by words, and this competition is real expression of thoughtfulness about oneself. Each year, we’re so proud of the outstanding work submitted,” said Bonnie Harken, The iaedp Foundation’s Managing Director.

The iaedp Foundation's Imagine Me Coordinator, Blanche Williams, stated, "The competition has more than doubled in size since we began five years ago. We couldn't be more excited about another wonderful year of creative entries, which are submitted to us from points all over the world."

The iaedp Foundation strongly encourages national and international treatment centers and private practices to participate in the art competition. For more details, visit

[http://iaedp.com/Imagine Me Beyon What You See.html](http://iaedp.com/Imagine_Me_Beyon_What_You_See.html). For any additional questions and to submit entries, contact blanche@iaedp.com.

About iaedp:

Established in 1985, [iaedp](http://iaedp.com) is recognized for its excellence in providing education and training standards to an international multidisciplinary group of healthcare treatment providers who treat the full spectrum of eating disorder problems, from anorexia to bulimia to binge eating and obesity. The organization offers a rigorous certification process for those who wish to receive specialized credentials in their work with people with eating disorders. For more information about iaedp, visit www.iaedp.com