

The iaedp™ Foundation Announces First Call for Entries for Noted Annual Art Competition

PEKIN, IL (Sept. 27, 2017) – The International Association of Eating Disorder Professionals Foundation (iaedp.com) proudly announces the first call for entries for its annual “*Imagine Me Beyond What You See*” Body Image Mannequin Art Competition, created in 2010 to promote healthy awareness and acceptance of body images. The competition incorporates mannequins to help create a unique and realistic palette for artistic expression.

This is the first call for entries, accepted through December 15, 2017. Judging is based on clarity of theme, creativity and originality, quality of composition and design and the overall impression and presentation.

The art competition winner will be presented at the 2018 iaedp™ Symposium held in Orlando, Florida at the Omni at ChampionsGate from March 22 – 25, 2018. A silent auction will be held during the Symposium for sale of artwork with proceeds going to the iaedp™ Foundation.

“Each year, we are inspired and humbled by the creative expression of all of the art presentations. This year, we look forward to diverse and powerful entries of mannequin submissions,” said Blanche Williams, Assistant Managing Director at the iaedp™ Foundation.

The contest is open to everyone; however, iaedp™ encourages treatment centers and private practices with art therapists to work with patients to provide entries. Mixed media may be used and mannequins can be male or female forms in different body shapes and sizes. Entries must be electronically submitted to iaedp™ using photographs in jpeg format, high (200+) resolution files for enlargement, photos showing four different angles, and agree to sign an artist release.

About iaedp: Since 1985, the [International Association of Eating Disorders Professionals](http://www.iaedp.com) has provided education and training standards to an international and multidisciplinary group of various healthcare treatment providers and helping professions. Sponsorship offerings for the 2018 iaedp™ Symposium are still available. For sponsorship information and promotion benefits, contact Blanche Williams at iaedp.blanche@gmail.com.