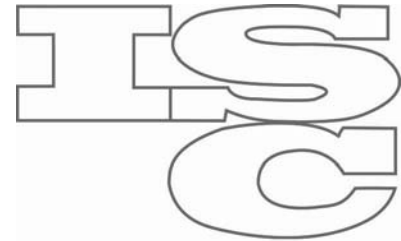


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The International Sculpture Center Announces the 2011 Outstanding Student Achievement in Contemporary Sculpture Award Competition Recipients

Twenty recipients selected from more than 485 faculty-sponsored nominees representing over 190 colleges and universities around the world.

An awards presentation honoring the winners will be held on October 15th, 2011.

Hamilton, NJ, September 1, 2011 -- The International Sculpture Center, the world's leading non-profit organization dedicated to championing the creation and understanding of sculpture and its unique, vital contribution to society, announced the recipients of its 2011 Outstanding Student Achievement in Contemporary Sculpture Award. This year, 15 talented students were selected from among 485 faculty-sponsored nominees, representing more than 190 art departments at colleges and universities around the world.

Established in 1994, the International Sculpture Center's Outstanding Student Achievement in Contemporary Sculpture Award competition was created to recognize undergraduate and graduate student excellence in sculpture. In partnership with institutions of higher learning from around the world, this educational outreach award program encourages faculty members through a nomination process to sponsor students demonstrating exceptional talent in the field of contemporary sculpture. Brooke Kamin Rapaport, an independent curator and writer in New York; DeWitt Godfrey, Sculptor & Director of the Institute for Creative & Performing Arts at Colgate University; and John Lash, artist and CEO of the Digital Atelier in New Jersey, served as the panel of judges that selected the 15 winners and 14 honorable mentions at this year's competition.

"The level of talent of this group of promising artists progresses each year," said Johannah Hutchison, Executive Director at the International Sculpture Center.

The International Sculpture Center will honor this year's recipients and showcase their artwork at the annual award presentation and private reception at the Grounds For Sculpture in Hamilton, NJ. The show will run from October 16, 2011 to April 22, 2012. The traveling exhibition will continue, at a venue to be determined, in the fall of 2012. Winners will receive a biographical profile and photograph of their work featured in *Sculpture* magazine; a chance to win a residency in Switzerland and study with distinguished sculptor Heinz Aeschlimann; inclusion of their award-winning sculpture works published in a color Fall/Winter exhibition catalogue sponsored by the Grounds For Sculpture; and a free one year membership with the ISC.

2011 Outstanding Student Achievement in Contemporary Sculpture Award Winners:

- Ryan Aragon - *Phonesynthesis II*; Cornish College of the Arts, Seattle, WA; Faculty Sponsor: Bonnie Biggs
- Dustin Boise - *Packed Packing Peanuts*; University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH; Faculty Sponsor: Matt Lynch
- Derek Bourcier - *Take Your Thorazine Weirdo Punk*; Portland State University, Portland, OR; Faculty Sponsor: Erik Geschke
- Jason Carey - Sheppard - *As It Is Above So Is It Below*; Rutgers University, Mason Gross School of the Arts, New Brunswick, NJ; Faculty Sponsor: Patrick Strzelec
- Leah Gadd - *Untitled*; Massachusetts College of Art and Design, Boston, MA; Faculty Sponsor: Janna Longacre
- Gayle Janzow - *Babel On*; University of Texas- San Antonio, San Antonio, TX; Faculty Sponsor: Ken Dawson Little
- Trevor Lalaguna - *Treevort*; California State University-Chico, Chico, CA; Faculty Sponsor: Sheri Simons
- Camila Nagata - *Shrine*; Brigham Young University, Provo, UT; Faculty Sponsor: Brian Christensen
- Oscar Peters - *Chainsaw*; Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA; Faculty Sponsor: Joe Mannino
- David Platter - *Charting the Self*; University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS; Faculty Sponsor: John Hachmeister, Matt Burke, Jon Swindell
- Trudy Rogers-Denham - *Bench with Dirt Carpet*; University of Missouri, Columbia, MO; Faculty Sponsors: James Calvin
- Tom Schram - *Three Degrees*; Clemson University, Clemson, SC; Faculty Sponsor: David Detrich
- Jeremy Smith - *Showcase*; New Jersey City University, Jersey City, NJ; Faculty Sponsor: Brian Gustafson
- Brittany Watkins - *Untitled*; Montana State University, Bozeman, MT; Faculty Sponsor: Nelleke Beltjens
- Zane Wilcox - *Aerodrome*; University of Regina, Regina, SK, Canada; Faculty Sponsor: Sean Whalley

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