



## Select B.F.A. work celebrated in MIAD 2008 Juried Exhibition

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**Summary:** MIAD 2008 Juried Exhibition, May 27 – August 10, 2008; 273 E. Erie St.; Tues. – Sat. 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Free. 414.847.3200. miad.edu

**MILWAUKEE...** Twenty-four outstanding artists and designers will show their works at the MIAD 2008 Juried Exhibition, opening May 27 at the Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design, Wisconsin's only independent, four-year college of art and design.

The works on view were selected by MIAD faculty from the 2008 Senior Exhibition and represent the breadth of the college's 11 Bachelor of Fine Arts majors. The exhibition continues in MIAD's Frederick Layton Gallery through August 10 at 273 E. Erie Street in the Third Ward. The gallery is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tues. - Sat. Admission is free.

New this year are Excellence Awards presented by vote of the MIAD Alumni Association. Industrial Design graduate Meghan McGuire received the 2008 – Design Excellence Award for her Aphid high-tech, interactive learning and exploration tool designed to “get today's kids outdoors.”

Sculpture graduate Colin Dickson received the 2008 – Fine Art Excellence Award for “3 ½ miles to the center of somewhere else,” an interactive installation that invites viewers to get lost in the geometries of mass, illuminated space.

The excellence of this newest generation of innovative creators also includes:

- Communication Design graduate Melissa Eckes' advocacy campaign for arts education.
- Time-Based Media graduate Anne Morningstar's “Reflections,” a series of intricate artist books that interpret the Hans Christian Andersen fairy tale “The Snail and the Rose-Tree.”
- Integrated Studio Arts graduate Caroline Knueppel's “Observe, Connect,” a mixed-media installation of portable camera obscuras.
- Interior Architecture + Design major Martin Vertacnik's uniquely designed coffee table of multiple woods that embodies architectural sensibilities.

A full list of participating artists and designers is available at [miad.edu](http://miad.edu).

MIAD is a degree-granting college where individuals discover and realize their creative potential. Founded in 1974 as Wisconsin's only independent college of art and design, it enrolls 630 talented students from across the country who are taught by artists and designers recognized regionally and nationally for their professional and educational accomplishments. Its unique academic approach blends curricular and extracurricular experiences, a community service course requirement, and liberal studies in 11 majors toward the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree. With 80% of its 2,500 graduates living and working in Wisconsin, the college contributes a vital “brain gain” to the state that shapes its creative and economic future.