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### THE COLLEGE OF VISUAL ARTS AND DESIGN NEWSLETTER



## **CVAD's Fashion Design Students Sew It Up At the ITAA Conference**

The International Textile and Apparel Association (ITAA) Annual Conference Design Competition held in Charlotte, North Carolina, November 12–16, 2014 announced awards at their Live Gallery Exhibition show. The event was attended by over 500 fashion/apparel educators, students and industry professionals from the US and abroad. Current College of Visual Arts and Design (CVAD) Fashion Design students and alumni were well represented in the awards ceremony, winning top prizes and awards!

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# CVAD Alumna Anila Quayyum Agha Wins \$300,000 in Prizes at ArtPrize

ArtPrize, the international art competition in Grand Rapids, Michigan, announced the winners of the sixth annual ArtPrize Awards including \$300,000 in prizes won by CVAD alumna Anila Quayyum Agha. ArtPrize seeks to broaden the critical dialogue around contemporary art by awarding the world's largest art prize at \$560,000.

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#### **Alumna Wins Student Award to Travel to London**

Katelyn Combs, new MA in Art History alumna, was able to travel to London this past summer to research a 19th century housekeeper who doubled as a tour guide in a noted estate. Her research trip was partially funded by the CVAD Student Project Award Fund, made possible by donors to CVAD. Katelyn also toured other estates for her master's thesis. Ultimately, she landed her first job as an education specialist for the Arkansas Art Center.

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### **CVAD Board Members Are Movers and Shakers**

Dallas is an art force to be reckoned with thanks to its old guard authorities and a new wave of players who have worked to create a dynamic energy in which the arts thrive. Selected by Modern Luxury Dallas magazine, three of the seven art power brokers are on the CVAD Advisory Board: Nancy A. Nasher, Joyce Goss and Kenny Goss. (Joyce and Kenny are pictured at left.)

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