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## **Laguna College Students Excel in Exchange Program at The Florence Academy of Art**

Laguna College of Art & Design students completed their first year of study at the Florence Academy of Art this month. The Graduation and Awards Ceremony took place on June 5 in the gardens of the Budini Gattai Palace in central Florence. Graduating students received certificates of completion, and prizes were awarded to the best drawing, painting, sculpture and composition of the year.

Junior William Zwick completed the Intensive Drawing Program and received his diploma with four other students in the program. In addition, LCAD alumnus Nicholas Enevoldsen, who began attending the Florence Academy full-time last fall, was selected from a substantial pool of applicants to receive a tuition scholarship for the upcoming academic year. The scholarship recognizes serious attitude, hard work and talent. "We congratulate both William and Nicholas for a successful year at The Florence Academy of Art. We are grateful for our continued collaboration with Laguna College of Art & Design," commented Susan Tintori, Executive Director of the Florence Academy.

The exchange program was created to enable Laguna College students to study at the Academy and earn transferable credits towards their degrees. As well, the reciprocal arrangement affords Italian students the chance to experience instruction at LCAD. Both institutions are widely acclaimed for their figurative and representational drawing, painting and sculpture programs and share the same passion for cultivating the next generation of great artists. LCAD and the Academy are equally excited to see the exchange program successfully complete its first cycle. It is the first of many opportunities in which students and faculty will benefit mutually from the cultural and artistic alliance.

The Florence Academy of Art was founded in 1991 by Daniel Graves to provide the highest level of instruction in classical drawing, painting and sculpture. Study at the Academy centers upon the importance of figure drawing as a means to perfection in painting or sculpture.

### **Images**

Nicholas Enevoldsen receives a scholarship award from Executive Director Susan Tintori  
William Zwick with Executive Director Susan Tintori and Academy founder Daniel Graves

#### **Founded on Classical Drawing Skills, Fueled by Creative Energy, and Dedicated to Excellence**

Laguna College of Art & Design is a private, not-for-profit college where outstanding artist-educators, visual arts programs, state-of-the-art facilities, and year-round exhibitions give fresh vision to Laguna's extraordinary legacy in the visual arts. Founded in 1961, the college educates artists at all stages of their creative careers, offering Bachelor of Fine Arts degrees in Drawing and Painting, Graphic Design, Illustration, Game Art and Animation, and a Master of Fine Arts degree in painting.

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