

The Autodesk Visualization Design Regional Competition

Autodesk recognizes that there is still interest in having the regional visualization design competitions. These regional competitions will allow for teams to showcase their entries, conduct peer judging and select a winner. Autodesk will still continue to have the overall 2007 season Autodesk Visualization Design Competition. The specific details below of how the regional competition will work are below. The overall season competition remains unchanged.

Purpose of Award

This award honors excellence in student animation through regional peer judging.

Competition Overview

All *FIRST* Robotics Competition teams are invited to create a 30 second animation submission for the Autodesk Visualization Design Competition using Autodesk 3ds Max software that was donated by Autodesk. Teams are challenged to design an animation that best demonstrates the concept of the theme, showcases creativity and technical execution.

Award Description

The Autodesk Visualization Award recognizes outstanding student achievement in animation. Autodesk challenged teams to use Autodesk 3ds Max software to produce a 30-second animation that best depicts the theme assigned in the Autodesk competition. This is a terrific opportunity to see how imaginative teams can be using one of the greatest imagination tools in the world. Your peers will judge concept, creativity, and technical execution.

What things are the same as the overall season Autodesk Visualization Design Competition:

- Theme - *Thinking Green*
- Award Criteria
- Entry Requirements
- Required Animation Entry Format
- Submission Entry Process
- Entry Deadline - February 16, 2007
- Judging Criteria

The specific details of the following items are located on Autodesk FIRSTbase at www.autodesk.com/firstbase under the Autodesk Design Competition link.

What things are different than the overall season Autodesk Visualization Design Competition:

- The Judging Process (see details below)
- Awards – One winner will be selected for each regional event.

Here is how the process will work at the regional events:

1. Submit your animation entry meeting all entry and format requirements by the deadline on Autodesk FIRSTbase (www.autodesk.com/firstbase). Your entry for the regional

competition is the same as the entry you will be submitting for the overall season competition.

2. When your team submits their entry on Autodesk FIRSTbase, they will be asked to select a primary regional event. Each team will only be able to compete for this award in their primary regional event. This is a change from previous years where teams were able to compete in multiple regional events.
3. Each team that has submitted an animation for their primary regional event will select one student team member to represent the team during peer judging. The student selected must have been involved in some way with the development of his/her team's own submittal.
4. This selected student team member will be allowed to view and judge the regional entries on Thursday between 10am-2pm at the venue where the overall competition takes place. Please check with the Pit Administration desk for directions to the specific room for peer voting. This will be the only day for peer voting. If your team representative is not available for peer voting, you will miss your opportunity to cast your team's vote.
5. In order to participate in peer voting,
 - Your team must be registered and must participate in the primary regional *FIRST* Robotics Competition that was selected during the entry process
 - Student judges will not be allowed to score the animation submitted by their own team.
6. One winner with the highest number of points will be announced at the Friday closing ceremonies of that regional event.
7. All entries submitted for each primary regional event will be shown during lunch at each venue.
8. Autodesk will post the regional award winners on the Autodesk FIRSTbase website and feature the winning entry. All entries will be posted on the website as well.
9. The winner selected at the regional events has no bearing on the finalists or winners selected for the overall season's Autodesk Visualization Design Competition.

Thank you for your participation.