



“Open Call” to students in Canada – Push the limits of design for 3D printing

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Halifax, January 8, 2018 – The inaugural BigRep Innovation Award invites post-secondary students from across Canada to reinvent the humble chair and forge new design frontiers with advanced 3D printing technology.

The contest was born of a passion shared by BigRep and Halifax-based NOVACAD Systems for innovation using large-format FDM (fused deposition modeling), which is changing the design landscape worldwide. With a **prize value of \$3,000**, the Award is open to all students currently enrolled in a Canadian program for design, engineering, architecture or another related field.

Students are invited to **submit designs for original 3D printed chair or stools** that could only be brought to life using these large-scale 3D printers – namely, the BigRep ONE, which has a print volume of over one cubic meter. The organizers encourage experimentation with form, geometry, shape, materials and colour, to demonstrate the full capacity enabled by large-scale 3D printers to fuse aesthetics and function.

The Grand Prize includes production of the winning design by BigRep’s production team in Berlin, \$3,000 CAD cash prize and return airfare to Halifax for the winning designer to be presented with their finished design and award. Following an open online vote, the winner will be decided by an expert four-person jury.

For full contest requirements and the entry form, as well as information on BigRep, NOVACAD Systems and the competition jury, please visit: www.bigrep.com/Innovation-Award

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