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ISFD 2026 John Conrad Student Pinnacle Awards

Now Open to Furniture and Industrial Design Students

No entry fee! Submissions reviewed & judged by a panel of industry experts, enter by July 31st
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welcomes all students majoring in Furniture or Industrial Design, including graduating May 2026 seniors and graduate students, to enter the [2026 John Conrad Student Pinnacle Awards](#). Known as the premier award in the home industry, the highly coveted Pinnacle Awards will be accepting entries now through July 31, 2026. Winners will be announced at the annual Pinnacle Awards Gala held on Monday, October 19, 2026, during the fall High Point Market.

Students can enter for free by submitting one piece of their work. The design categories include bedroom, dining room, home office furnishings, occasional tables, storage, entertainment systems, seating, and textile design.

“This is an extraordinary opportunity for students to submit their work to be reviewed by a panel of experienced industry professionals,” stated David Blair, ISFD executive director. “Being named a Pinnacle Awards finalist or a winner provides student designers with valuable industry exposure and the potential to build meaningful professional contacts. With no entry fee and complimentary ISFD Pinnacle Awards Gala tickets for ISFD student members, participation offers both recognition and access at no cost for students.”

An ISFD student membership is available to individuals currently studying furniture or industrial design. Benefits of joining include access to mentoring and networking opportunities, job referrals, furniture designer resource guidance, the ISFD monthly newsletter, discounts on industry publications, a free profile on the ISFD website, and complimentary admission to the Pinnacle Awards Gala. Visit [Join ISFD | International Society of Furniture Designers](#) for more information.

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Visit the [2026 John Conrad Student Pinnacle Awards](#) for more submission details. To see last year's winners, please visit the [ISFD 2025 Pinnacle Awards](#).

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About ISFD

The [International Society of Furniture Designers \(ISFD\)](#) is an association of professional and student furniture designers in residential and contract furnishings and accessories. Its mission is to promote and advance outstanding design and to elevate and support the furniture designer through networking, mentorship, and professional development opportunities. Each year, its Pinnacle Awards® recognize the very best work of professional furniture designers, designer-makers, and furniture and industrial design students. Visit [ISFD.org](#) for more information about the organization and its programs, or follow its activities on [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [X](#).

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