



**CIARA BORCHARD
THE ART INSTITUTES AND AMERICANS FOR THE ARTS
POSTER DESIGN COMPETITION
GRAND PRIZE WINNER**

High school senior, Ciara Borchard, has taken art classes since she can remember. Her mom even has a collection of drawings Borchard made when she was a young kindergartner. Borchard's parents have always supported her artistic abilities, signing her up for class after class; pushing her to be strong and continue working hard.

Borchard was introduced to the world of digital design by her high school teacher, Mr. Smith. His program opened her eyes to new avenues of creativity she didn't even know existed.

Says Borchard, "The best part about having art in my life is that it always makes things interesting and new. I love taking a blank slate and creating a piece of work no one has seen yet. Art is a lifestyle for me, and I couldn't imagine living without it."

Borchard enjoys being involved in community service activities. She was selected as President of her high school's Skills USA club, and is a member of the "Nerd Club." Also a sports enthusiast, she is one of the head football stat girls for her school's team. Borchard also won an award and The Trever Bennet Memorial Art Scholarship for her creative drawing and painting submissions as well as a scholarship from the Helendale Chamber of Commerce.

Borchard looks forward to taking advantage of The Art Institute of California – San Diego's career services opportunities, especially internships. When she completes her studies, she envisions becoming an intelligent business woman, meeting her clients' needs with vision and efficiency.

