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## AIAS AND VECTORWORKS, INC. PARTNER TO SUPPORT NEXT GENERATION OF DESIGNERS

*Vectorworks will sponsor the AIAS InStudio Render/Sketch Competition and attend AIAS Grassroots Leadership Conference and FORUM.*

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The American Institute of Architecture Students (AIAS) is proud to announce a new partnership with [Vectorworks, Inc.](#), a global design and BIM software developer.

An initial partnership began this fall, with the launch of the AIAS InStudio Render/Sketch competition. "With the success of such a relevant competition to our membership, we discussed broadening our relationship with Vectorworks, a company who is at the forefront of this technology," said Kimberly Tuttle, director of Leadership & Career Services at the AIAS.

Vectorworks has signed on for a Gold Partnership and will be sponsoring the AIAS InStudio Render/Sketch competition, which will launch in the fall of 2018. AIAS members will be asked to share their sketches and renderings to highlight their studio work and to provide inspiration for those looking to enhance their own skill sets. This competition is open to students of all years and skill sets, which makes it an attractive competition to the AIAS membership. The first-place winner will receive \$300, with second and third place winners taking home \$200 and \$100, respectively. Last year's winning entries can be viewed [here](#).

"Vectorworks is passionate about supporting the next generation of designers, so partnering with the highly-respected American Institute of Architecture Students was an obvious choice, because we desire to inspire students by showing them what's possible with design and BIM," said Daniel Monaghan, vice president of marketing at Vectorworks. "We look forward to doing so by collaborating with the student-run organization on upcoming projects, competitions and events."

Join us at [AIAS Grassroots Leadership Conference](#) in Washington, DC July 19-22, 2018, to meet and hear more about Vectorworks' products and programs. The conference is a platform to discuss chapter leadership and business leadership, community involvement and innovation. Attendees can learn from local CEOs, founders, government officials and professionals.



Additionally, Vectorworks will be at the [AIAS FORUM](#) on December 29, 2018 – January 1, 2019 in Seattle, WA. Held every year over the winter holiday, members hear from sponsors, learn from other leaders, discuss issues relevant to architecture and design education and conduct official AIAS business.

"AIAS members like to live on the edge of design, technology and innovation. As the next generation of architects, the AIAS is excited to partner with Vectorworks, a next-generation technology company. Vectorworks' products and technology can help propel AIAS members to the forefront of the design and architecture professions," said Nick Serfass, executive director of the AIAS.

#### **ABOUT THE AIAS**

The American Institute of Architecture Students is a non-profit, student-run organization dedicated to programs, information and resources on issues critical to architecture and the experience of education. For more information, visit [aias.org](http://aias.org) or call Kimberly Tuttle at (202) 808-0036.

#### **ABOUT VECTORWORKS, INC.**

Vectorworks, Inc. is a global design and BIM software developer serving over 650,000 professionals in the architecture, landscape and entertainment industries. Since 1985, we've been committed to helping designers capture inspiration, nurture innovation, communicate effectively and bring their visions to life. With our cross-platform software, designers can build data-rich, visual models without sacrificing the design process, while collaborating efficiently throughout the project life-cycle. Headquartered in Columbia, Maryland, with offices in Atlanta, Georgia, Newbury, England and London, England, Vectorworks is a part of the [Nemetschek Group](#). Learn how we empower designers to create experiences that transform the world at [vectorworks.net](http://vectorworks.net).