

DESIGN STARS

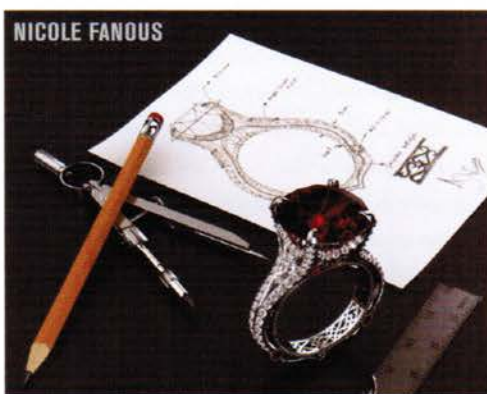
Gemvision's annual Matrix Design Contest produces original designs

From nature-inspired renderings of a dandelion dispersing its seeds, a roaring lion, and a playful frog perched on a branch, to a variety of complex designs that richly honor colored gemstones, the 2010 Matrix Design Contest winners took full advantage of the CAD technology at their disposal. The contest was open to

Matrix users worldwide and included categories such as: Overall Design, Technical Merit, Best Render, Student Design, and Provided Gemstones. Contest prizes included Gemvision credit certificates, Apple iPads, gemstones provided by Stuller, and more.

MJSA served as the contest's sponsor, and this spread features each category's first- and second-place winners, who were honored with their fellow winners during a gala dinner at the Gemvision Design Conference, held Oct. 2-4 in Chicago. For an in-depth look at Best in Show Winner Christopher Moriarty's award-winning design, which was chosen by his peers during a live vote at the dinner itself

(conducted by text message), see page 26. For more contest winners, please log on to mjsa.org and click on *MJSA Journal Online*.



Overall Design 1st Place

JUSTIN SCOTT of Meigs Jewelry in Tahlequah and Tulsa, Oklahoma

Overall Design 2nd Place

NICOLE FANOUS of Fanous Jewelers Inc. in Dallas

Best Render 1st Place

JOSEPH MEADOWS of David Douglas Diamonds & Jewelry in Marietta, Georgia

Best Render 2nd Place

JUSTIN SCOTT of Meigs Jewelry in Tahlequah and Tulsa, Oklahoma

Technical Merit 1st Place

TRI NGUYEN of Zoran Stojanovic Designs in Mississauga, Canada

Technical Merit 2nd Place

KITTY HUNDLEY of Sierra Pacific Casting in Oakland, California

Best Student Design

REHAN SHEIKH of Pakistan Gems and Jewellery Development Co. in Peshawar, Pakistan

Provided Pink Tourmaline Gemstone

BRENT KEHRLE of Ron Rizzo Jewelry in Roslyn Heights, New York

Provided Green Tourmaline Gemstone

MICHAEL DEVLIN of Devlin Jewelry Design in Healdsburg, California

Provided Tanzanite Gemstone

JOHN WITT of John Austin Designs Inc. in Goldsboro, North Carolina ♦



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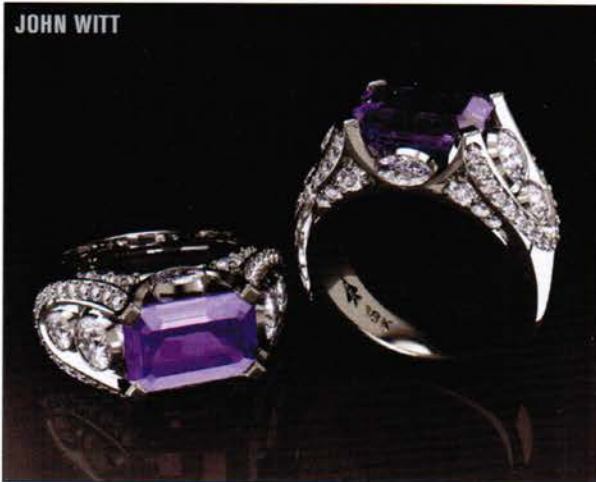
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