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Illustration Graduate Varvara Nedilska Wins Multiple Awards at 2020 Toronto Outdoor Art Fair



Varvara Nedilska. Left: Sleepover, 2019. Right: Star Walk, 2020.

Congratulations to OCAD U Illustration graduate <u>Varvara Nedilska</u> on winning the **Best of Student Award** and **Student Purchase Award** at this year's Toronto Outdoor Art Fair (TOAF). Varvara, along with nine other graduating OCAD U students, were recipients of the Centre for Emerging Artist & Designer's TOAF <u>Career Launcher</u> opportunity.

Since 1961, TOAF has been happening every second weekend in July. This year, the works and artists exhibiting at the fair were available to view and purchase online from July 2 to 12. During the last weekend of the fair, a panel of judges distributed 17 awards among the exhibiting artists. Members of the OCAD U Community who also received awards include:

- Keight MacLean (Illustration, 16') Best of Painting Award
- <u>Erin McCluskey</u> (Illustration 17') Honourable Mention Painting
- Charlize Nhung Nguyen (Material art & Design, 18') Artscape Emerging Artist Award
- Dana Korre (Drawing and Painting 16') Most Innovative Use of Material Award



As part of the **Centre for Emerging Artists & Designers**, the Career Development office supports the professional development of emerging OCAD U creative talent. The **Career Launchers** program offers unique, high-profile opportunities developed in partnership with industry leaders in order to help senior students and new graduates start their professional practice after school.

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