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Education Committee Annual General Meeting Report

Presented by: Diana Varma & Amelia Nash
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STUDENT & SCHOOL STATS

STUDENT MEMBERSHIPS

2025: **2,793**

2024: **2,605**

2023: **2,413**

2022: **2,135**

16

Presentations to
schools coast to coast,
from September 2025
to April 2026

19

Schools Providing
Automatic RGD
Membership to
Students in 2026



STUDENT & TRAILBLAZER AWARDS

2025 STUDENT AWARDS

889 Entries
376 Students
35 Schools

2025 TRAILBLAZER AWARDS

We have **4 SPONSORS**: Jacknife, Rethink, TBWA Canada and Design de Plume.

58 Entrants

DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

Creating the application for the Lionel Gadoury / Catherine Jevons Accessibility Development Grant

CAREER WEEKS & WEBINARS

4 Virtual Career Weeks in 2025 with 292 reviews

We had 97 reviewers participate



DESIGN EDUCATOR CONFERENCE

A huge success! Over 50 design educators + students gathered at George Brown College School of Design for the 2025 Conference.

STUDIO TOURS

DTVAN25: 2 tours
DTTO25: 4 tours

Both were well attended

EVENTS



COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Amelia Nash RGD [Co-Chair]

Angela Drupsteen Associate RGD

Brianna Petrut Associate RGD

Diana Varma RGD [Co-Chair]

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