

NDLTD Announces ETD Award Winners for 2006

John H. Hagen, NDLTD Board Member and Awards Committee Chair presented the awards. The Networked Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations (NDLTD) consortium is pleased to announce this year's award winners. The awards recognize students who have written exemplary electronic theses and dissertations (ETDs). These ETDs demonstrate new dimensions of scholarship being explored by individuals who have made significant contributions to the worldwide ETD movement.

The Awards Program includes several categories of appreciation. The *Innovative ETD Award* recognizes student efforts to transform the genre of the print dissertation through the use of innovative software to create cutting edge ETDs. Use of renderings, photos, video and other multimedia objects that are included in the electronic document were considered as part of the innovation of the work. The *Innovative Learning through ETDs Award* recognizes a student whose professional life has been enhanced by the ETD process. Finally, the *ETD Leadership Award* recognizes members of the university community whose leadership and vision has helped raise awareness of the benefits of ETDs, and whose efforts have improved graduate education through the use of ETDs. The awards were presented at the [ETD 2006 Symposium](#), held this year at Laval University in Quebec City, Canada, June 7th – 10th.

ETD Award Winners

Innovative ETD (PDF format)

Howard Camp / Measurements of the Time Evolution of Coherent Excitation. Doctor of Philosophy in Physics, Kansas State University, U.S.A.

File description: 8 files; pdf, avi movies.

URL: <http://dspace.cns.ksu.edu:4001/dspace/handle/123456789/73>

Evan D. Dorn / Universal Biosignatures for the Detection of Life. Doctor of Philosophy in Computation and Neural Systems, California Institute of Technology, U.S.A.

File description: 15 files; pdf, mpeg movie, xls spreadsheets, tar compressed data files.

URL: <http://resolver.caltech.edu/CaltechETD:etd-05272005-071800>

Christopher Spaw / 1219 Colorado. Master of Architecture, Kansas State University, U.S.A.

File description: pdf in architectural format.

URL: <http://dspace.cns.ksu.edu:4001/dspace/handle/123456789/78>

Innovative ETD (open format)

Tim Broadwater / www.Didartic.com: Activating the Didactic, Self-Reflective Fairytale through Hypermedia as a Model for the Art Education Activist. Master of Arts in Art Education, West Virginia University, U.S.A.

File description: 52 files; pdf, gif, html, flash; virtual art exhibit presented as a video game.

URL: <https://eidr.wvu.edu/etd/documentdata.eTD?documentid=4350>

ETD Leadership

Sharon Reeves. Manager, Theses Canada Program. Mrs. Reeves has been instrumental in formulating the national ETD consortium efforts for Canadian university libraries and for implementation of the "Theses Canada" portal of the Library and Archives Canada program. URL:

<http://www.collectionscanada.ca/thesescanada/index-e.html>

Angela McCutcheon. Director, ETD Program, Ohio University, U.S.A. Ms. McCutcheon has developed an automated office system and new training materials for the OU ETD program. URL: <http://www.ohio.edu/graduate/etd.cfm>.

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