



Celebrating Excellence: Dean's Merit List Honours Top FADA Students



On Thursday, 22 May, the Faculty of Art, Design and Architecture (FADA) proudly celebrated academic excellence at the annual Dean's Merit List event. Held at the University of Johannesburg's School of Tourism and Hospitality, the event recognised the top-performing student in each academic department within the Faculty.

The prestigious event was attended by the Executive Dean, Professor Federico Freschi, alongside the Vice-Deans, the Head of Faculty Administration, and the award recipients. It was a moment of pride and inspiration, highlighting the talent, dedication, and resilience of FADA's highest-achieving students.

The Dean's Merit List is a significant recognition, celebrating students who have demonstrated exceptional academic performance and commitment to their disciplines. Each awardee represented the highest standard of excellence within their respective programmes.

The following students were honoured at the event:

- Ashton Welthagen – BA in Fashion Design
- Ayla van Dyk – Diploma in Jewellery Design
- Khaalid Caleb Harris – BA in Design (Communication Design)
- Kiara Loubser – BA in Interior Design
- Klaas Prinsloo – Diploma in Architecture
- Morgan Elizabeth Potgieter – BA in Industrial Design
- Sandile Majozi – Diploma in Fashion Production
- Yasmeen Nyumova – BA in Digital Media
- Yehoshoa Yissochor Hoppenstein – BA in Visual Art

Each recipient exemplifies the spirit of creativity, critical thinking, and academic excellence that FADA strives to cultivate in all its programmes. The Faculty extends its heartfelt congratulations to all the students recognised this year and looks forward to their continued growth and contribution to the creative industries.