

UC **SANTA BARBARA**  
History of Art & Architecture

**Graduation Awards Ceremony**  
**Summer 2024**

The Department of the History of Art & Architecture honors graduating seniors with awards at our annual graduation celebration. We congratulate this year's award winners:

Chairperson's Award • For leadership and service to the department:

**Stephanie Gerson**

Excellence in Writing Award • For outstanding essay writing:

**Diego Becerra**

Research Promise Award • For the best essays or research study projects:

**Natalie Collicutt**

Recognition for Participating in the Honors Program • For successful Honors Program involvement:

**Yueshan Gu, Isabella Ranzlov, Ben Kersh**

Best Honors Thesis Award • For highest scholarly Honors Thesis achievement:

**Isabella Ranzlov**, "Conserving Heritage in a Multicultural Context: Investigating Display and Treatment of African and Maori Cultural Objects"

Museum Professional Promise Award • To recognize students who have completed exceptional external internships:

**Elayna Maquinales** and **Fatima Pacheco**

Art, Design & Architecture Museum Service Award • For excellent internship work in the AD&A Museum:

**Vanessa De La Rosa, Colette Thiebaud, Alyssa Trudell, Sarah Rhoades, Marissa**

**Healy, Yuriko Chavez**

Image Resource Center Service Award • For excellent internship work in the IRC:

**Jiwoo Choi, Mia Craik-Buxton, Emily Louise Sullivan**

And last, but certainly not least, congratulations to our two Ph.D. graduates:

Dr. **Mohammadreza “Reza” Mirzaei**, recipient of this year’s Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award for his dissertation titled “Bahman Mohassess and the Visual Politics of 1960s Iran,”

Dr. **Mallory Sharp**, “Object Lessons: The Hampton University Sheppard Collection of African Art”.