

Winners of art competition go on show

The finalists for WCPT's first Art and Health competition are on show at an exhibition in the RAI Ruby Lounge.

WCPT was looking for outstanding pieces of artwork representing the congress theme of movement for health, in particular representations of human movement in health and disease, people with functional limitations in action and physical therapy practice across the lifespan.

An overall winner of the competition was chosen as well as finalists and runners-up from each of the four categories (photography, painting, drawing and sculpture).

The judging panel was extremely impressed with the quality of the entries and the many creative interpretations of the movement for health theme.

The overall winner was Lau Kwok Hung for his sculpture entitled "Empathy", pictured right.

Hung, a 57-year old Chinese

artist currently living in Italy, was inspired by his own voluntary service lending mobility to an aged father-figure.

"Empathising with a visually and audibly impaired nonagenarian has helped me fine-tune in the art of compassion. His silhouette is so empowering that it has become for me an emblem of fatherhood, firmness and faithfulness," says Lau Kwok-Hung.

The winner in the photography category was David Bevan from the UK, a freelance photographer who also works as a physiotherapist.

Another physiotherapist, Jane Simmonds from the UK, won the painting category. She leads the MSc in Sport and Exercise Rehabilitation at the University of Hertfordshire, having studied art and design alongside her professional work.

The winner of the drawing category is Hanne Agerholm, a paediatric physical therapist from Denmark.



Lau Kwok Hung's sculpture "Empathy", overall winner of the competition.