Philadelphia University students walked away from Collab’s Eleventh Annual Student Design Competition, held on Nov. 17 at the Philadelphia Museum of Art (PMA), with all but one of the awards. The competition was part of a series of events scheduled around Collab’s 2003 Design Presentation by Richard Gluckman, the architect for the addition and renovation of the Museum’s Perelman Building.

Students from all the local colleges and universities were invited to enter and were asked to design the main exterior sign for the Perelman building. The judges represented the architecture profession and judging was completely blind.

The first, second and third place winners are Philadelphia University Industrial Design students in the program’s Design III studio. The honorable mention winner, Carolina Pena, is a fifth year Architecture student.

Collab, a nonprofit organization founded in 1970, is a collaboration of design professionals who support PMA’s modern and contemporary decorative arts collection and work to promote an awareness and appreciation of contemporary design through educational initiatives. Also, a selection of the projects entered are on display in Daffy’s store window at 17th and Chestnut Streets through the end of this week.