

## Who Designed This Year's Poster?

This year the Missouri Developmental Disability Awareness Month committee decided to use a poster and theme designed by an artist with a developmental disability. Nineteen designs were submitted. The submissions included many different artistic styles, and different themes, surrounding the inclusion of people with developmental disabilities in every aspect of life. Many of the designs were excellent, and we encourage people to submit again next year.

### 2015 DD Awareness Month Theme and Poster Designer, Ryan Zull

The artist that designed this year's poster, with the theme of "My Ability is Stronger than my Disability" is designed by Ryan Zull, Mr. Zull says, "I have Asperger's Disorder. I never let that hold me back or allow my disability to stop me from reaching for the stars. I am a father of three boys Michael, Brenden and Ryder." Mr. Zull recently graduated from St Charles Community College with an Associate's Degree in Applied Science with an emphasis in Web Page Management and Graphic Design. He is currently a student at the University Missouri-St. Louis pursuing a Bachelor's degree In Art History and Studio Art with an emphasis in Photography, Graphic Design and Art Design. "I want to give special thanks to Christopher Kyle McGinley for being the star of my poster design, and to my UMSL Graphic Design Instructor Gretchen Schisla for everything that she has taught me." He also thanks his DDRB case manager Michelle Godbee for all her support.

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*Created by Ryan Zull*

