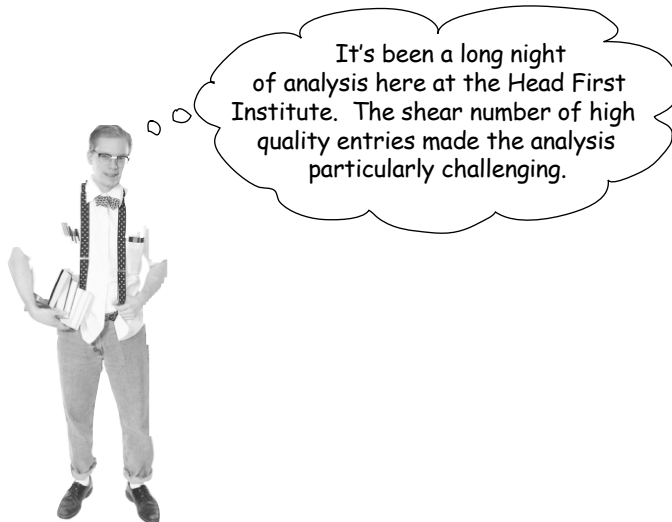


Another announcement from the Head First Institute...

Due to the high quality of entries our world class researchers have worked THROUGH THE NIGHT to analyze all submissions and determine a winner. By using our world wide distributed network of Java-based supercomputers we've narrowed the massive number of responses into a single entry

That's right, the Head First Institute believes in its readers and has put the sole decision for the cover of Head First Design Patterns in your hands. One reader among you has already been chosen to determine the cover of tens of thousands of books and controls the destiny of billions of atoms. Will the cover be the Flower Girl? The Bikers? Or maybe the snowboard chick?



And our Winner is...

I'm sure that Christopher Alexander, hailing from Vienna, would go for the European look (albeit a bit further north than Austria). She has a pleasant "Facade," and I wouldn't mind her being a "Visitor," although I doubt that she's a "Singleton". I think there is a "Template" used in Scandinavia to produce girls like this as if from a "Factory" (there were probably many "Observers" when the "Prototype" first appeared!). I hope that this line of reasoning is not considered too "Flyweight";-)



Our cover! →

- **Si Brewster**

Si gets a free book and his name in the book! Kinda recursive huh? ↷

But there's more... our Runner Ups

- Andrew Esse, for "A long time ago in a galaxy far far away..."
- Gian Franco Casula, for "It's a "Gang of 2" give them an inspiring book..." ↷

They also get books

And even more...

Our next generation neural network has informed us, there are more entries deserving awards...



Our Special Awards...

- Helen Crosbie (Color Outside the Lines Award)
- Pho Tek, (Geekiest Approach Award)

They get t-shirts!



Last, we used Lava Lamp powered random number generators to pick three additional winners...

- Helen Thomas
- Sateesh Kommineni
- Jeff Fisher

And they also get books!!!

And finally, we thank ALL OF YOU that participated in the Head First Design Patterns cover contest. WE are the real winners here. To every participant we award a one year passport to the Head First Institute (currently under construction), located in downtown Objectville. To get your passport send your name to passport@wickedlysmart.com

Our sincerest thanks: **Elisabeth, Eric, Kathy and Bert**

