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Urso S.A. Chappell receives Top Award in the Expo 2005 'Linimo' Design Contest

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Today Urso S.A. Chappell, of Tucson City, Arizona, received the top award in the Aichi Expo 2005 'Linimo' Design Contest, out of a total of 284 world-wide participants, at a special Award Ceremony at the Nagakute site of Aichi World Expo 2005, Japan.

"I feel particularly honoured to receive this award," stated Chappell, 39, a graphics art and web-site designer, who also hosts the prestigious web-site on World Expositions, http://ExpoMuseum.com. "The colours represent the changing colours of nature, whilst also highlighting the site and name of the 2005 World Exposition", continued Chappell.

Chappell's design shall grace one of several Linimo carriages that connect the city of Fujigaoka with the Nagakute site of the World Exposition, some 7 kilometres away. Using the latest in state-of-the-art Japanese electro-magnetic 'linear motor' car technology, the carriages shall magically float on their tracks and operate at a maximum speed of 100 km/h. The use of this technology for World Expo 2005 – the first public use of carriages of this type in the world - will represent an important milestone in the development of electro-magnetically propelled transport – and one that is friendly to the environment too.

The Design Award ceremony was followed by a special preview of the Expo 2005 site.

World Expo 2005, Aichi Prefecture, Japan, will run for 185 days from March 25 to September 25, 2005, and shall play host to 127 nations, including Australia and the U.S.A. The theme of the Exposition is "Nature's Wisdom". For further information, visit http://www.expo2005.or.jp.

