

**Lemelson** ILLINOIS

STUDENT PRIZE

*Finalist* **2009**

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Adam has created a biomimetic nanocomposite paint that is self-cleaning and non-wetting. This paint is both environmentally friendly and incredibly tough, which means it can be used in a variety of applications. Adam has also developed products to assist visually-impaired individuals in the avoidance of eye level collisions and indoor navigation of large spaces. Lastly, Adam has created a social music website aimed at harnessing the creative power of individuals around the world.



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