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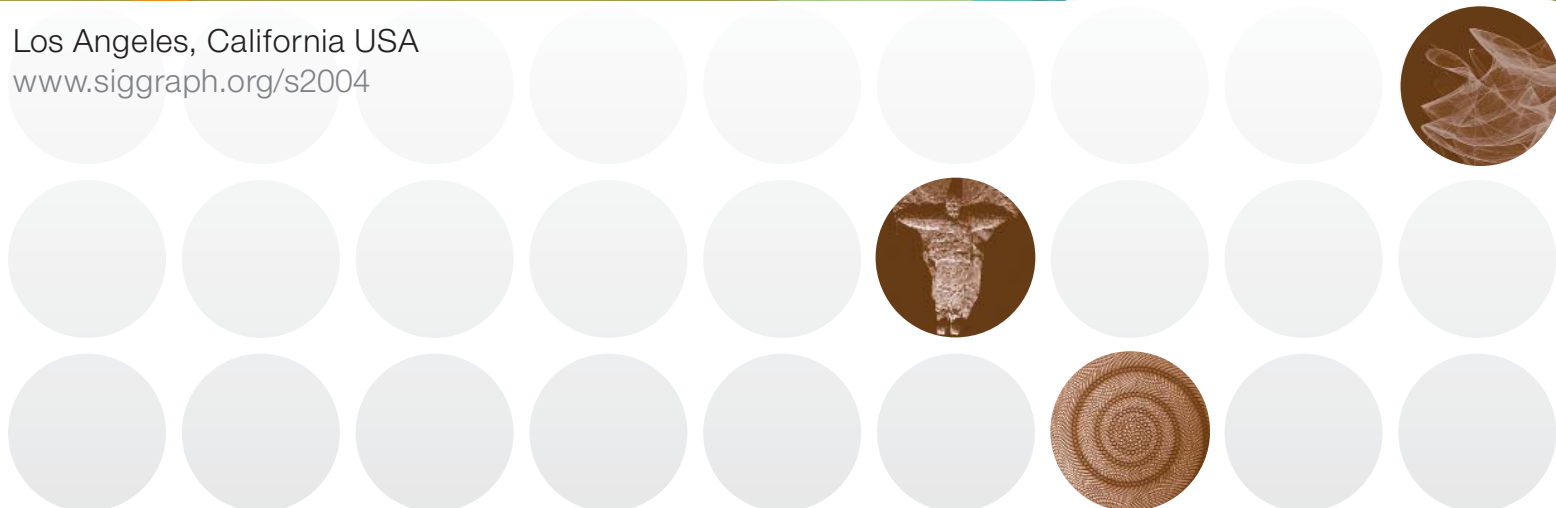


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ADVANCE PROGRAM

Los Angeles, California USA
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SIGGRAPH 2004

IS YOUR BEST OPPORTUNITY
THIS YEAR TO REALIZE

Knowledge

Learn what you need to know at the only conference that delivers serious insight in nearly every sub-discipline of computer graphics and interactive techniques. Try the tools you need on the world's biggest and best CG & IT show floor. With a Full Conference registration, you have access to ALL of SIGGRAPH 2004's learning opportunities: Courses, Educators Program, Panels, Papers, Posters, Sketches, Special Sessions, Web Graphics.

The full list of Courses: page 18, www.siggraph.org/s2004/conference/courses

The full list of Papers: page 25, www.siggraph.org/s2004/conference/papers

The full list of Panels: page 33, www.siggraph.org/s2004/conference/panels

The other program juries are selecting more sessions every month.

For a complete list of everything that's available, bookmark this page:

www.siggraph.org/s2004/updates

Reconnection

Talk with everybody you haven't seen for months, or since SIGGRAPH 2003, at the conference reception on Wednesday evening. Schedule lunch at Ciudad. Find all the good after-hours networking opportunities sponsored by the industry's key companies. And don't miss the ACM SIGGRAPH Chapters Party on Monday evening: chapters.siggraph.org

Interaction

Form a new team. Most of the potential players will be in LA. Find out what the competition is up to. Negotiate new alliances to maximize intellectual and financial performance. See tomorrow's software-hardware-human interfaces in Emerging Technologies: www.siggraph.org/s2004/conference/etech

Return on Investment

If your schedule is tight, select One Day registration and choose the day that offers what you need. Conference Select registration is an even better investment, if you can schedule a few days at SIGGRAPH 2004. For access to everything, Full Conference delivers full value. Register before 2 July to get the best pre-conference discounts. Registration options and form: page 43, www.siggraph.org/s2004/registration

Your Self

Leave LA with new insights, enhanced skills, deeper understanding, more earning power, powerful partnerships, fresh inspiration, and valuable memories. You'll be totally prepared to create important work, collaborate with colleagues worldwide, and share some great stories, until you return to LA for SIGGRAPH 2005!

Dena Slothower

SIGGRAPH 2004 Conference Chair
Stanford University

Creation

Watch researchers create new ideas that work, and some that still need some work. See mind-expanding digital views of universes, music, myths, history, pain, theorems, joy, and brain waves.

Art Gallery

www.siggraph.org/s2004/conference/art

Computer Animation Festival

www.siggraph.org/s2004/conference/caf

Create your own visions in the Guerilla Studio:

www.siggraph.org/s2004/conference/studio

Registration Categories:

- Full Conference
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- Exhibits Plus

Conference at a Glance

Schedule is Subject to Change. Check the SIGGRAPH 2004 web site often for updated information for this year's programs and events.

	7 SATURDAY	8 SUNDAY	9 MONDAY	10 TUESDAY	11 WEDNESDAY	12 THURSDAY
Registration	6 - 8 pm	8 am - 6:30 pm	8 am - 6:30 pm	8 am - 6:30 pm	8 am - 6:30 pm	8 am - 3 pm
Merchandise Pickup Center	6 - 8 pm	8 am - 6:30 pm	8 am - 6:30 pm	8 am - 6:30 pm	8 am - 6:30 pm	8 am - 6 pm
SIGGRAPH Store	6 - 8 pm	8 am - 6:30 pm	8 am - 6:30 pm	8 am - 6:30 pm	8 am - 6:30 pm	8 am - 6 pm
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Conference Overview

SIGGRAPH 2004

Molecular interiors, galactic visions, tomorrow's visual effects.

Responsive machines, extra-human intelligence, alternative realities.

Code, concepts, mathematics, theories, applications.

World-class experts teach all this and more. Creative adventurers show 2004's most advanced achievements in computer graphics and interactive techniques. And you acquire the inside data you need to succeed in this amazing industry.

Register online today!

www.siggraph.org/registration



Keynote Address and Awards

Monday, 9 August, 1:15 - 3:15 pm

Bruce Sterling, science fiction writer, speculates on what happens when graphic simulation conquers the world.

When Bobjects Rule the Earth

A picture is worth a thousand words. A model is worth a thousand pictures. What happens when there's no longer any practical difference between computer-generated models and physical, manufactured objects? Desktop fabrication is a lab curiosity – so far – but what happens to societies, markets, industries, and professions when you can push “print” and spit out a bicycle?

Immediately before the keynote address, ACM SIGGRAPH presents the Computer Graphics Achievement Award to Hugues Hoppe, Microsoft Research; the Significant New Researcher Award to Zoran Popović, The University of Washington; and the Outstanding Service Award to Judith R. Brown, The University of Iowa (Retired); and Steve Cunningham, California State University, Stanislaus and National Science Foundation.



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Presentations



Courses

Sunday – Wednesday, 8-11 August

Practical skills, deep understanding, and clear explanations presented by the leading experts in computer graphics and interactive techniques. Tutorials, half-day sessions, and full-day courses teach beginning, intermediate, and advanced topics in digital art and science, including interaction design, perception, computing hardware, display systems, wireless applications, gaming, animation, and modeling. Complete list of Courses: pages 18-24.



Papers

Monday – Thursday, 9-12 August

The premier international forum for ground-breaking, provocative, and important new work in computer graphics and interactive techniques. SIGGRAPH 2004 papers set the standard in the field, stimulate future trends, and explore challenging issues in related fields: human-computer interaction, computer-aided design, computer vision, robotics, visualization, web graphics, and computer games, among others. Complete list of Papers: pages 25-32.



Panels

Monday – Thursday, 9-12 August

Debate, argument, and discussion on important topics in computer graphics and interactive techniques, and related fields. Experts and skeptics deliver opinions, insights, speculation, and summaries of recent work. The audience follows up with questions, comments, and criticism. The result: new perspectives on key questions and current controversies. Complete list of Panels: pages 33-36.



Sketches

Sunday – Thursday, 8-12 August

Short talks followed by question-and-answer exchanges on a broad spectrum of topics in art, design, science, and engineering. Sketches emphasize novel and interdisciplinary applications of computer graphics and interactive techniques, including provocative speculation, academic research, industrial development, practical tools, and behind-the-scenes explanations of commercial and artistic works. Speakers and topics: www.siggraph.org/s2004/conference/sketches



Educators Program

Wednesday – Thursday, 11-12 August

Content: how to teach computer graphics and develop academic resources. Continuity: computer graphics in education, from pre-school to post-graduate study. Collaboration: between art and science, educators and researchers, teachers and students, the classroom and the real world. Panels, forums, papers, and Quick Takes explore all this and more in the not-just-for-Educators Program. Detailed information on the Educators Program: www.siggraph.org/s2004/conference/educators



Posters

Sunday – Wednesday, 8-11 August

New for SIGGRAPH 2004. Poster displays of research in computer graphics and interactive techniques, including newly developing projects, smaller works, incremental or partial results, and late-breaking research. Presenters and topics will be available here in July: www.siggraph.org/s2004/conference/posters



Web Graphics

Sunday – Thursday, 8-12 August

Presentations and demonstrations of the year's most innovative online work. Artists, designers, producers, and programmers from around the world share their achievements in rich internet applications, web 3D, navigation, visualization, usability, motion graphics, web art, web content for handheld devices, and many more areas. Speakers and topics: www.siggraph.org/s2004/conference/web

New for SIGGRAPH 2004: the popular 5k award competition for excellence in web design and production is part of SIGGRAPH 2004 Web Graphics.



Exhibitor Tech Talks

Tuesday – Thursday, 10-12 August

Late-breaking updates on the year's most important advances in 3D animation, games, shading, visualization, processors, APIs, career development, and more. In Exhibitor Tech Talks, SIGGRAPH 2004 exhibitors present two-hour tutorials and interactive instruction on their products and services. Preliminary list of Exhibitor Tech Talks: page 9.



Special Event

Fast-Forward Papers Preview
Sunday, 8 August, 6 - 8 pm

Snapshot overviews of the paper sessions, in which authors give short summaries of their work. It's a fast, fun, and provocative preview of the latest and most significant findings in computer graphics and interactive techniques.

Special Sessions

Real-Time 3DX: Demo or Die

Monday, 9 August, 6 - 8 pm

This demonstration highlights real-time graphics of all types in a fast paced, fun, and inspiring way. If you want to see the best real-time computer graphics work from industry, universities, and "secret" labs, this is the event for you. Participants have approximately two minutes to show off their best stuff in one of four categories:

- Business, Educational, Artistic, Scientific, Training
- Games, Entertainment
- 3D Multiuser Environments
- Emerging Technologies

Submit entries at www.realism.com/SIGGRAPH/3DX/ until 1 June. All demos are non-commercial, and the host drags participants off the stage if they indulge in hype. Bring an enthusiastic attitude to the event and be prepared for serious fun. The audience votes for category and best-of-show winners, in real time, using an innovative laser-pointer voting system developed at Iowa State University. Bring your laser pointers!

Organizers

Sandy Ressler

National Institute of Standards Technology

Leonard Daly

Daly Realism

Computer Music

Tuesday, 10 August, 1:45 - 3:15 pm

The field of computer music, which has evolved from its origins in early computing technology, analog electronic music, digital signal processing, audio engineering, and the experimental music tradition, represents the nexus of modern creative and technical issues associated with digital audio and analysis. This Special Session features experts at the forefront of several primary research areas:

- Software-based sound synthesis
- Human-computer interface technologies for performers and composers
- Acoustic simulation of auditory environments
- Sound spatialization and presentation of electro-acoustic music
- Intuitive computer music composition
- Computer-assisted music composition and affective music computing systems
- Stylistic emulation and modeling of human performers
- Music information retrieval

Each panel member addresses ongoing research in these primary points of focus within the broader context of their historical impetus and potential future applications.

Organizer

Colby Leider

University of Miami

Puppetry and Computer Graphics

Tuesday, 10 August, 6 - 8 pm

Pioneering artists such as Jim Henson and Phil Tippett, and many other puppeteers, have been experimenting with computer graphics from the beginning.

Jim Henson's early CG puppets, Waldo C. Graphic and Tizzy the Bee, led to development of the Henson Digital Performance Studio, and, more recently, CG versions of Kermit the Frog and Gonzo the Great. Tippett's Digital Input Device first gave CG animation access to additional stop-motion animators working on "Jurassic Park" and "Starship Troopers." Virtual CG sets of "The Jim Henson Hour" and "The Wubbulous World of Dr. Seuss" also added a broader freedom to the medium.

This special session reviews the history, advantages, and future of CG in puppetry, and it presents many personal stories from the puppeteers' perspective.

VJ: The Art of Live Video Performance

Wednesday, 11 August, 6 - 8 pm

The explosive new generation of visual artists known as VJs and the dozens of companies that support them with new tools, equipment, and software are continually creating more complex and vivid presentations. In this roundtable discussion hosted by Los Angeles Video Artists (LAVA), several respected and widely known VJs offer insight into current and future trends for this adventurous new culture. For more information and updates, see:

www.la-va.org/siggraph2004

Organizer

James Cui

Los Angeles Video Artists (LAVA)

Next-Generation Game Visuals

Thursday, 12 August

10:30 am - 12:15 pm

The next generation of game hardware and real-time, per-pixel shading will make it possible to create more compelling interactive visuals than ever before. Dramatic improvements are on the horizon in high-resolution models and textures, soft subtle lighting, complex character animation, and amazing visual effects. Presenters from top game companies, including Habib Zargarpur ("Need to Speed Underground" and "007 Bond: Everything or Nothing") and Henry LaBounta ("SSX3") from Electronic Arts, show examples of what they are doing now to push the envelope and speak about their plans for creating the breathtaking games of tomorrow.

Organizer

Henry LaBounta

Electronic Arts Canada

Experiences



Art Gallery: Synaesthesia

Sunday – Thursday, 8-12 August

Original digital art that emerges from the conjunction of cybernetics and human vision to help us re-experience, re-examine, and make sense of our bodies, our technologies, and our culture.

Synaesthesia features visionary work in every field of digital art: 2D, 3D, interactive techniques, installations, virtual reality, multimedia, telecommunications, web art, and animation. For detailed information on the Art Gallery, visit: www.siggraph.org/s2004/conference/art



Computer Animation Festival

Animation Theater

Sunday – Thursday, 8-12 August

Electronic Theater

Monday – Wednesday, 9-11 August

The world's most innovative, imaginative works in computer graphics and interactive techniques: animation, visualization, simulation, visual effects, and technical imagery produced by adventurers who blend art and science into unique visual experiences. The Computer Animation Festival jury presents selected works in the Electronic Theater (matinée and evening shows) and the Animation Theater (throughout the week). For a complete list of accepted work, visit: www.siggraph.org/s2004/conference/caf

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Emerging Technologies

Sunday – Thursday, 8-12 August

Interactive displays of assumption-shattering concepts that will enhance human life in the near and distant future. What's next in ubiquitous computing, wearable systems, hand-held devices, real-time graphics, mobile technologies and much more: robotics, graphics, music, audio, displays, haptics, sensors, gaming, the web, artificial intelligence, visualization, collaborative environments, medicine, biotechnology, design, entertainment, aerospace, and art. For detailed information on the Emerging Technologies exhibits, visit: www.siggraph.org/s2004/conference/etech



Guerilla Studio

Sunday – Thursday, 8-12 August

The Guerilla Studio is an integrated network of machines for realizing ideas in 2D, 3D, 4D, and n-dimensional media, a working computer graphics laboratory for explorations in fine art, animation, science, and other CG disciplines. It features high-end computer workstations, a multitude of software (featuring 2D and 3D design), and print technologies. Artists, scientists, and engineers can walk in, create, and realize their creations right in the lab.

The Guerilla Studio also provides an educational component where artists in residence instruct attendees on technique and explore the possibilities of digital art.



Reception

Wednesday, 11 August, 8-10 pm

Computer graphics pioneers, students, executives, superstars, engineers, theorists, and fans of all genders and backgrounds gather for the international SIGGRAPH community's annual celebration. Food, drinks, music, and fun in a high-energy Los Angeles location.

Services



Birds of a Feather

Attendees who want to get together with others who share their interests, goals, technologies, environments, or backgrounds are invited to organize and/or attend a Birds of a Feather event. Questions? Review the Birds of a Feather FAQs at www.siggraph.org/s2004/conference/birds/faqs.php

To schedule a Birds of a Feather session prior to arrival, send email to: bofs@siggraph.org



Get Involved

Wednesday, 11 August, 5 - 6:30 pm

Inside information on how you can contribute your expertise and energy to SIGGRAPH 2005 and SIGGRAPH 2006. All attendees, exhibitors, and presenters are invited. All questions and comments are welcome.



International Resources

In the International Center, the multi-lingual International Resources Committee answers attendee questions, offers space for talks and demonstrations, and provides informal translation services. See page 37 for the International Committee listing.



Job Fair

Leading companies in computer graphics discuss employment opportunities with SIGGRAPH 2004 attendees in a relaxed, informal setting. For details, see page 39. Sponsored by:



Exhibition

Welcome to the future of computer graphics and interactive techniques. By its very nature, SIGGRAPH attracts an exclusive group of buyers from around the world, across all facets of this expanding technology. Much of the research in computer graphics is exploding into everyday products that are vital in today's technology-hungry culture. Organizations that support the tools used in computer graphics and interactive techniques are eager to take advantage of future opportunities.

What's the best way for your organization to meet these challenges that are reshaping the technology in computer graphics and interactive techniques? See the latest, most complete list of SIGGRAPH 2004 exhibitors, see: www.siggraph.org/s2004/exhibition

For a complete directory of the organizations that supply hardware, software, and systems to the computer graphics industry, visit: www.siggraph.org/industry

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Exhibitors

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3Dconnexion
3D Consortium
3D Nature, LLC
3D Pipeline Corporation
3DTot.com
3rdTech, Inc.
4DCulture Inc.
A K Peters, Ltd.
Academy of Art College
Accom, Inc.
Advanced Imaging Magazine
Advanced Media Production
AJA Video Systems Inc.
Alias Systems
AMAX Information Technologies
AMD
American Cinematographer
American Paper Optics, Inc.
Animation Magazine Inc.
Animation World Network
Anthro Corporation
Apple Computer, Inc.
ArchVision, Inc.
Artbeats, Inc.
Ascension Technology Corporation
ATI Technologies Inc.
Auto FX Software
auto.des.sys, Inc.
AXIO by Harodesign Inc.
Barco
Bell Computer
Bitboys Oy
BitMicro Networks, Inc.
Blue Sky Studios, Inc.
BlueArc Corporation
BOXX Technologies, Inc.
Brigham Young University
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CELCO, Inc.
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Chaos Group
Charles River Media
Collins College
Computer Graphics World
Course PTR
Curious Labs Incorporated
Curious Software Company Limited
Darim Vision Co., Ltd.
DataDirect Networks, Inc.
Desktop Images
Digital Domain, Inc.
Disc Makers
Discreet

DNP Electronics America, LLC
DVS GmbH
Electronic Arts Inc.
Elumens Corporation
ESC Entertainment
eyeon Software Inc.
FCS Control Systems B.V.
GDC Entertainment Ltd.
Geometry Systems, Inc.
Gnomon, Inc. School of Visual Effects
GVS
Hash Inc.
Hewlett-Packard Company
Hollywood Creative Directory
Hoodman Corporation
IdN Magazine
IEEE Computer Society
Illuminate Labs
Immersion Corporation
Inch by Inch Productions
Industrial Light + Magic
InSpeck Inc.
IntegrityWare, Inc./nPower Software, Inc.
Intel Corporation
Italian Institute for Foreign Trade
JourneyEd.com
Kaydara, Inc.
Kelseus Ltd.
La Cantoche Production
Lasergraphics, Inc.
Lightspace Technologies, Inc.
LightWork Design Ltd.
MAXON Computer Inc.
Media Design School
Meta Motion
Micoy
Midway Home Entertainment Inc.
Morgan Kaufmann Publishers
Motion Analysis Corporation
Natural Motion Limited
NewTek
New Zealand Trade and Enterprise
Nexstar
Next Limit S.L.
NIST Advanced Technology Program
nStor Corporation, Inc.
NVIDIA Corporation
NXN Software AG
Okino Computer Graphics, Inc.
Oregon3D, Inc.
PDI/DreamWorks
Peachpit Press
Photron USA, Inc.

PI. Engineering, Inc.
Pipelinefx, LLC
Pixar Animation Studios
Pixologic, Inc.
PL Studios Inc.
Plenoptics
PNY Technologies, Inc.
Point Grey Research Inc.
Polhemus, Inc.
Post Magazine (Advanstar Communications)
Primedia Business Magazines & Media
ProMax Systems, Inc.
Purdue University, Department of Computer Graphics Technology
RackSaver, Inc.
Radical Entertainment Inc.
Realviz S.A.
Rebelthink
Rhythm & Hues Studios
Right Hemisphere
Ringling School of Art and Design
Savannah College of Art and Design
SensAble Technologies, Inc.
Side Effects Software
Softimage Co.
Solid Modeling Solutions
Sony Pictures Imageworks Inc.
SpectSoft, LLC
SpheronVR AG
Springer-Verlag New York, Inc.
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Sybex, Inc.
SyFlex LLC
Systems in Motion AS
TechnoDream21
Texas Memory Systems, Inc.
TGS, Inc.
The Art Institutes
The Compulsive Creative
The Industry Flip Book
The Orphanage Inc.
Trolltech AS
Vancouver Film School
Wacom Technology Corporation
Walt Disney Feature Animation
John Wiley & Sons, Inc.
wondertouch, LLC
Xerox Corporation
Z Corporation

Exhibitor Tech Talks

The Power of Pixel Shaders: Using High-Level Shading Languages in Professional Applications

ATI Technologies Inc.
Tuesday, 10 August, 1 – 3 pm

Programmable pixel shaders are all the rage for today's computer games. But how can they be leveraged in today's workstation software applications? Learn how high-level shading languages are used to create a new generation of professional content creation and CAD applications.

MOTIONBUILDER

Kaydara Inc.
Tuesday, 10 August, 4 – 6 pm

An in-depth look at Kaydara's renowned 3D character animation application, MOTIONBUILDER. Includes demonstrations by special guests.

Training for Careers in Animation and Technology

Vancouver Film School
Wednesday, 11 August, 10 am – noon

Interested in a career in 3D animation? This session includes a screening of outstanding student work, a comprehensive overview of the Vancouver Film School's 3D animation programs and admissions requirements, discussion of career opportunities, and a question-and-answer period.

PCI Express* Technology: A Breakthrough Technology for the Graphics Industry

Intel Corporation
Wednesday, 11 August, 10 am – Noon

PCI Express Technology, a new I/O interconnect technology replacing PCI and AGP in 2004 systems, promises to offer a plethora of performance advancements for the graphics community. In this session, Intel experts discuss the performance attributes of PCI Express-enabled workstations and rendering-farm applications, and explain the availability of PCI Express graphics capability.

Middle Earth: Imagination Made More Real

New Zealand Trade and Enterprise
Wednesday, 11 August, 4 – 6 pm

A showcase of New Zealand's creative technology companies specializing in cutting-edge animation, simulation, 3D-modeling, and augmented reality.

NVIDIA Corporation

Tuesday - Thursday, 10 - 12 August
10:30 am, 1:30 pm, 3:30 pm

HLSL Shader Workshop: Introductory

NVIDIA invites you to try your hand at writing shaders and other real-time effects! This hands-on workshop introduces real-time shader programming with the Microsoft DirectX 9.0 High-Level Shader Language (HLSL). Attendees learn how to harness the power of the latest GPU technology through a language as familiar as C while using a powerful shader IDE. Developers learn how to integrate shaders with their applications and create new effects that are only possible with Shader Model 3.0.

The workshop also includes tips for writing efficient shaders and strategies for debugging them. The workshop is intended for experienced graphics programmers familiar with fundamental 3D graphics techniques, including simple matrix math.

HLSL Shader Workshop: Advanced

In this hands-on NVIDIA session, attendees develop a variety of advanced shader effects, including new effects that are only possible with Shader Model 3.0 as found in the Microsoft DirectX 9.0 High-Level Shader Language (HLSL). The focus is on practical, high-quality techniques that can easily be integrated with attendees' ongoing and future projects to help set them apart from the pack. Topics include high-dynamic-range lighting (HDR), floating-point filtering, and floating-point blending.

The workshop also includes tips for writing efficient shaders in the NVIDIA FX Composer IDE, strategies for debugging shaders, and an overview of potential applications in graphics and general-purpose scenarios. The advanced session is for experienced coders who are already conversant with writing shaders and want to take their knowledge to a higher level.

Sunday, 8 August

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Papers, Panel 3:45 - 5:30 pm

Papers: Photo & Video Texture

Panel: Careers in Computer Graphics Entertainment

Web Graphics 3:45 - 5:30 pm

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6 - 8 pm

Real-Time 3DX: Demo or Die

Electronic Theater 7 - 9 pm

Chapters Party 9 pm - 2 am

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Papers: Dynamics & Modeling

Courses/Half Day 8:30 am – 12:15 pm

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Courses/Full Day 8:30 am – 5:30 pm

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- 27. Level Set and PDE Methods for Computer Graphics
- 28. Real-Time Volume Graphics

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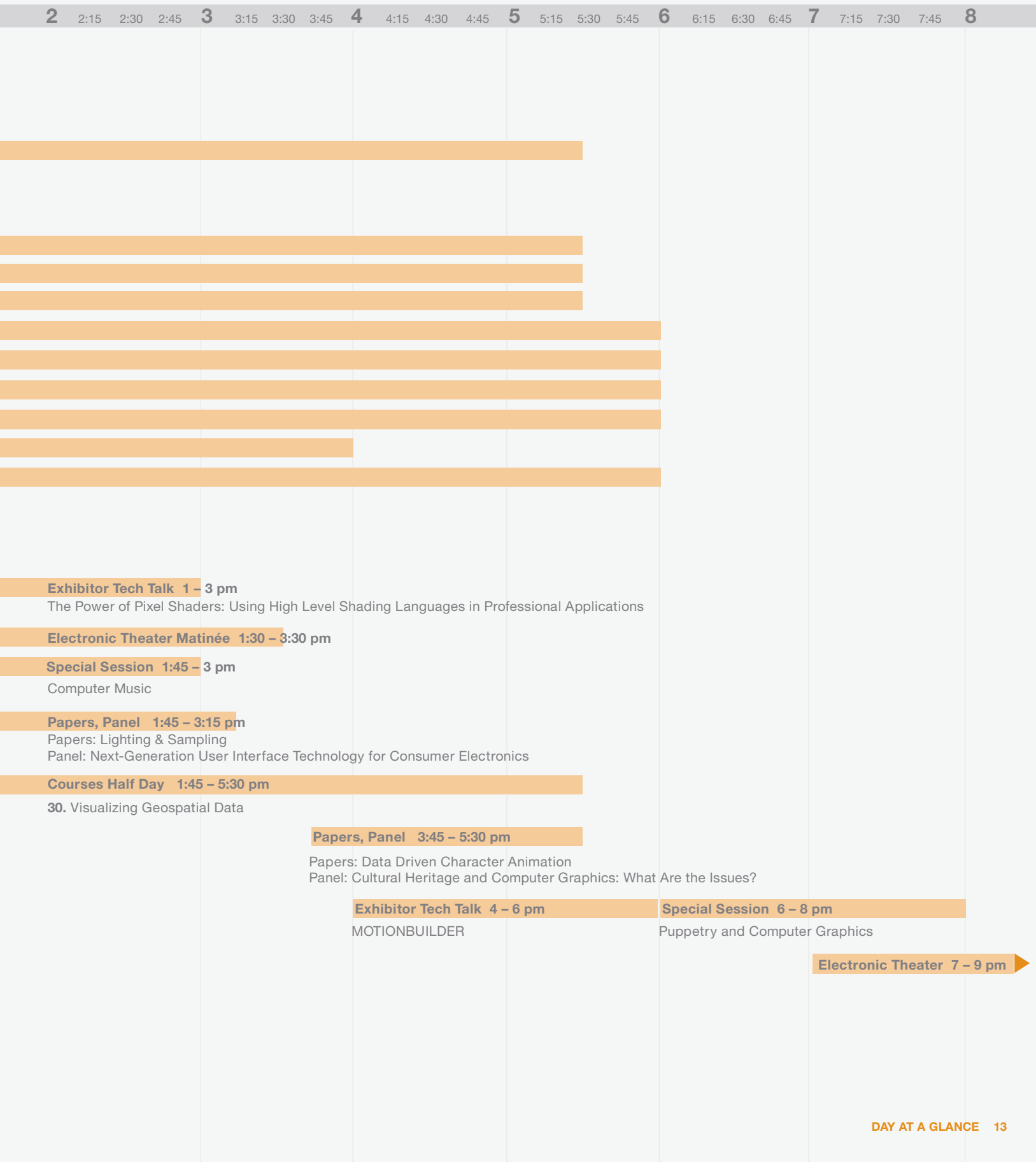
Job Fair 10 am – 4 pm

Exhibition 10 am – 6 pm

Papers, Panel 10:30 am – 12:15 pm

- Papers: Identifying & Sketching the Future
- Papers: Smoke, Water & Goop
- Panel: 3D Animation: Difficult or Impossible to Teach and Learn?

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Educators Ramp In 8:30 - 9 am **Exhibition 10 am - 6 pm**

Papers 8:30 - 10:15 am
Papers: Shape & Motion

Courses/Full Day 8:30 am - 5:30 pm
31. The Elements of Nature: Interactive and Realistic Techniques
32. GPGPU: General-Purpose Computation on Graphics Hardware
33. Crowd and Group Animation

Sketches 8:30 am - 5:30 pm

Posters 8:30 am - 5:30 pm

Web Graphics 8:30 am - 5:30 pm

Animation Theater 9 am - 6 pm

Art Gallery 9 am - 6 pm

Emerging Technologies 9 am - 6 pm

Guerilla Studio 9 am - 6 pm

Educators 9 - 9:30 am
Collaboration is Key

Job Fair noon - 4 pm

Exhibitor Tech Talk 10 am - noon
 • Training for Careers in Animation and Technology
 • PCI Express* Technology - A Breakthrough Technology for the Graphics Industry

Educators 10 - 10:30 am
CoGIP: A Course on 2D Computer Graphics and Image Processing

Educators 9 - 10:30 am
Résumés and Demo Reels:
If Yours Aren't Working, Neither
Are You!

Papers 10:30 am - 12:15 pm
Papers: Video-Based Rendering
Papers: Shape Analysis

Educators 10:30 - 11 am
Group Projects: Issues and Practices in Computer Graphics Technology

Educators 11 - 11:30 am
Team Teaching Animation Art and Technology

Educators 11:30 am - noon
The Pipeline Project: A Holistic Approach to Teaching Multimedia.

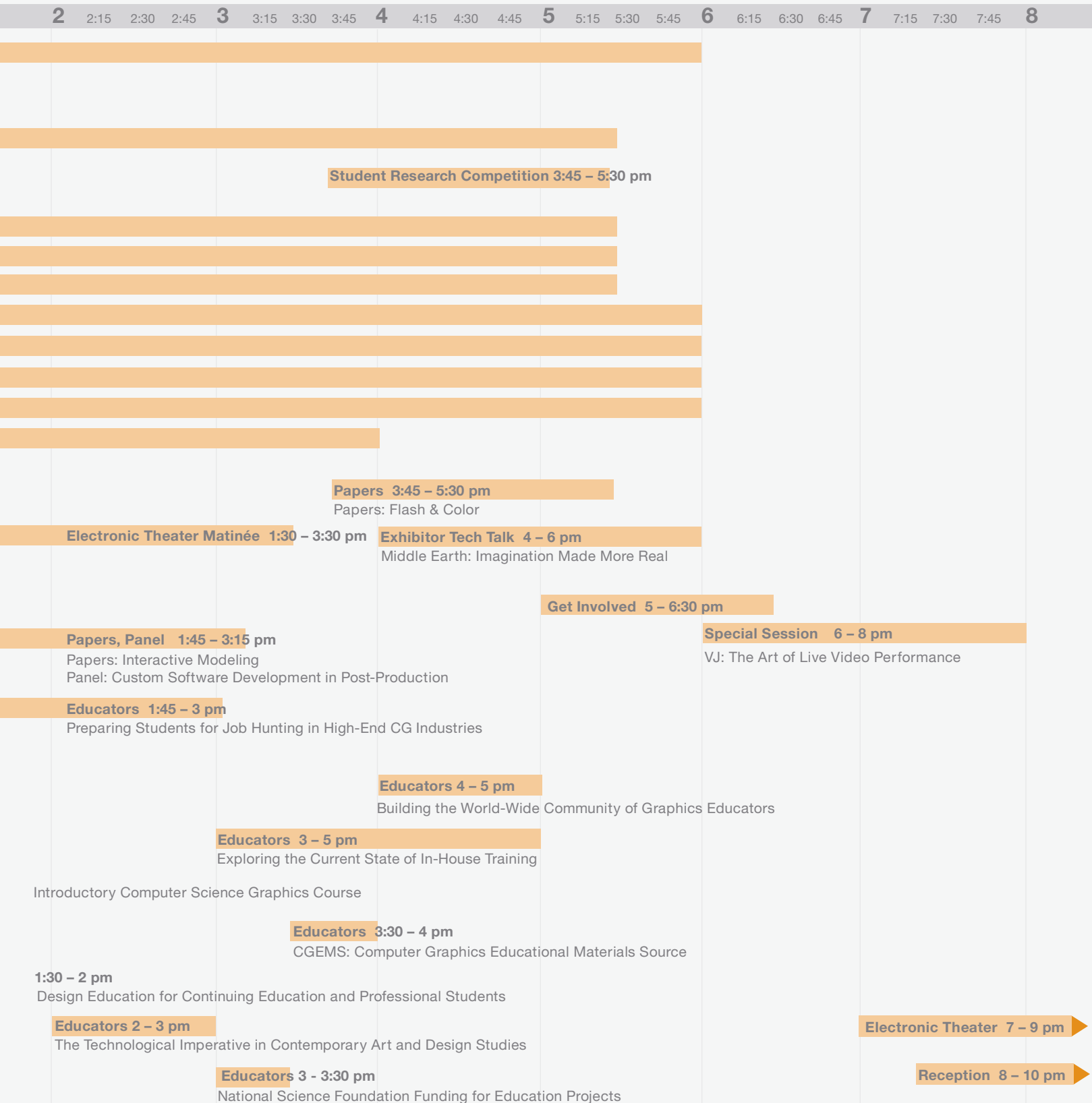
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Integrating Modeling and Animation Tools Into an

Educators 9:30 - 10 am
Teaching Art With 3D Software

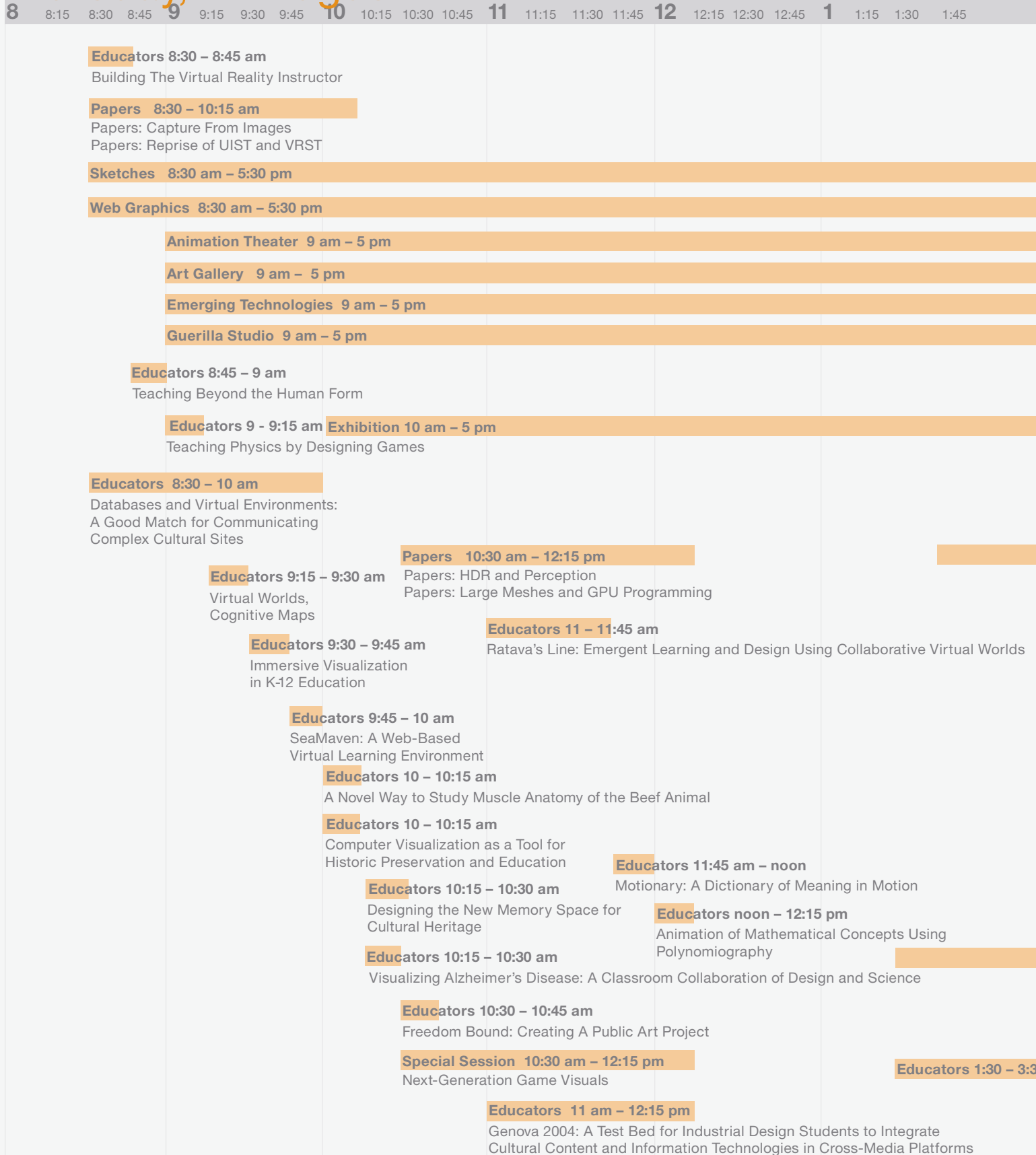
Educators 10:30 am - 1 pm
Studio Views of Demo Tapes

Educators
Developing 3D

Day at a Glance



Thursday, 12 August



Day at a Glance

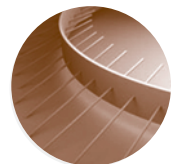
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Courses

Full-day, half-day, and tutorial sessions on how to create computer graphics and interactive techniques, improve their application, and use them to achieve practical results in the real world.

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Sunday, 8 August

1

Real-Time Shading

Sunday, Full-Day, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm

LEVEL: **ADVANCED**

The dream of real-time procedural shading can now be experienced on a very broad range of technologies, from game consoles to the highest-end PCs. This updated course brings together hardware developers and leading researchers to share the latest developments in shading hardware and languages, and to present methods, models and ideas useful across all of them.

Organizer

Marc Olano

University of Maryland, Baltimore County

2

Color Science and Color Appearance Models for CG, HDTV, and D-cinema

Sunday, Full Day, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm

LEVEL: **INTERMEDIATE**

This course introduces the science behind image digitization, tone reproduction, and color reproduction in computer-generated imagery, HDTV, and digital cinema (D-cinema). It details the emerging theory of color appearance models, which help deal with things that classical color science cannot predict.

Organizer

Charles Poynton

3

Introduction to Computer Graphics

Sunday, Full-Day, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm

LEVEL: **BEGINNING**

Course 3 is open to all SIGGRAPH 2004 attendees. All other Courses require Full Conference registration.

This course is designed to ease newcomers into computer graphics and the whole SIGGRAPH conference experience. It covers not only how computer graphics works (at the hardware and software levels), but also some key application areas such as modeling, rendering, animation, visualization, VR, and web-based graphics.

Organizer

Mike Bailey

San Diego Supercomputer Center
University of California, San Diego

Sunday, 8 August

4

State of the Art in Monte Carlo Global Illumination

Sunday, Full Day, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm

LEVEL: **INTERMEDIATE**

A detailed overview of state-of-the-art techniques in Monte Carlo global illumination algorithms. This course reviews the fundamentals of radiometry and material properties, and explains general light-path generation strategies as well as some widely used algorithms such as photon mapping and Monte Carlo radiosity.

Co-Organizers

Philip Dutré

Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

Henrik Wann Jensen

University of California, San Diego

5

Facial Modeling and Animation

Sunday, Full Day, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm

LEVEL: **INTERMEDIATE**

An overview of concepts and current techniques in facial modeling and animation. All stages, from initial data acquisition and modeling through a variety of facial animation techniques, rendering techniques, and specific application scenarios, are discussed in detail.

Co-Organizers

Jörg Haber

MPI Informatik

Demetri Terzopoulos

New York University

6

Point-Based Computer Graphics

Sunday, Full Day, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm

LEVEL: **INTERMEDIATE**

With the increasing complexity of computer graphics objects, points have attracted new interest in computer graphics research. This course introduces points as a powerful and versatile graphics primitive. Speakers present their latest concepts for acquisition, representation, processing, modeling, and rendering of point-sampled geometry.

Co-Organizers

Markus Gross

Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich

Hanspeter Pfister

Mitsubishi Electric Research Labs

Matthias Zwicker

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Sunday, 8 August

7

**Seeing, Hearing, and Touching:
Putting It All Together**

Sunday, Full Day, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

As computer display technologies become increasingly multimodal, ubiquitous, and immersive, interaction designers must understand how vision, sound, and touch are perceived and understood by users. In this course, attendees learn key aspects of perceptual theory and its application to design of interactive multimedia systems through lectures, demonstrations, and design case studies.

Organizer
Brian Fisher
The University of British Columbia

8

**Multiple-View Geometry for
Image-Based Modeling**

Sunday, Full Day, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

The state of the art in multiple-view geometry, including theory, algorithms, and systems for reconstructing 3D geometric models of static or dynamical scenes from photographs or videos. The course is based on a novel approach that requires only linear algebra, not projective/algebraic geometry. It makes image-based modeling techniques more accessible to the graphics audience.

Organizer
Yi Ma
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

9

**Photorealistic Hair Modeling,
Animation, and Rendering**

Sunday, Half Day, 8:30 am - 12:15 pm
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

The past four years have been a renaissance for hair modeling, rendering, and animation. This course summarizes hair-simulation problems and presents working solutions, including both novel research ideas and time-tested industrial practices. Topics include hairstyling, hair-hair interactions, hair rendering using graphics hardware, and cultural-heritage applications.

Organizer
Nadia Magnenat-Thalmann
MIRALab, Université de Genève

Sunday, 8 August

10

**“Lord of the Rings”: The Visual
Effects That Brought Middle
Earth to the Screen**

Sunday, Half Day, 1:45 - 5:30 pm
LEVEL: BEGINNING

An in-depth look at Weta Digital's work on the “Lord of the Rings.” This course summarizes the techniques that were used in all three films to create the creatures, environments, and battle scenes of Middle Earth, including the groundbreaking animation of Gollum.

Organizer
Matt Aitken
Weta Digital Ltd

11

**Acting and Drawing for
Animation**

Sunday, Half Day, 1:45 - 5:30 pm
LEVEL: BEGINNING

This workshop provides hands-on demonstrations of acting and drawing principles required to achieve strong animated performances. It covers staging, power centers, positioning, character development and design, emotional recall, fluidity, improvisation for storytelling, and timing.

Organizer
Lucilla Potter Hoshor
Savannah College of Art and Design

Monday, 9 August

12

**Art-Directed Technology:
Anatomy of a “Shrek 2” Sequence**

Monday, Half Day, 8:30 am - 12:15 pm
LEVEL: BEGINNING

New insights into art-directed animation technology and the evolution of a sequence during the production process. This course introduces the story and art departments and discusses how artistic vision is translated and embedded into technical improvements during the filmmaking process for sophisticated 3D animation.

Co-Organizers
Rachel Falk
Harry Max
PDI/DreamWorks

Monday, 9 August

13

High-Dynamic-Range Imaging

Monday, Half Day, 8:30 am - 12:15 pm

LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

New techniques in capturing, representing, processing, and displaying high-dynamic-range Images that cover the full range of light in the real world. Applications to photoreal lighting and compositing are also covered. The techniques enable marked improvements in visual fidelity and photorealism for computer graphics.

Organizer

Paul Debevec

University of Southern California ICT

14

Collision Detection and Proximity Queries

Monday, Half Day, 8:30 am - 12:15 pm

LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

An authoritative overview of various collision detection techniques. Proponents and expert practitioners from academia and industry cover widely accepted and proven methodologies in detail, and review nascent topics. They also review and compare their most appropriate techniques and applications.

Co-Organizers

Dave Eberle

Sunil Hadap

PDI/DreamWorks

15

Shape-Based Retrieval and Analysis of 3D Models

Monday, Half-Day, 8:30 am - 12:15 pm

LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

Concepts, methods, and applications for retrieving and analyzing 3D models in large databases. Emphasis is on geometric representations and algorithms for indexing and matching 3D objects based on their shapes. Topics include current shape descriptors, query interfaces, and shape-based retrieval applications.

Organizer

Thomas Funkhouser

Princeton University

Monday, 9 August

16

Performance OpenGL: Platform-Independent Techniques

Monday, Half Day, 8:30 am - 12:15 pm

LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

Performance OpenGL is designed to provide OpenGL programmers with platform-independent techniques to improve the correctness and performance of their OpenGL applications. This course provides an in-depth analysis of the OpenGL geometry and rasterization pipelines, as well as tools and other hints for improving OpenGL's performance.

Organizer

Dave Shreiner

SGI

17

Unconventional Human-Computer Interfaces

Monday, Half Day, 8:30 am - 12:15 pm

LEVEL: BEGINNING

An introduction to the potential of various human systems, how these systems can be interfaced with hardware components, and for what purposes they can be applied. This course demonstrates a wide range of unconventional interfaces and explores the potential for new kinds of systems and application areas.

Co-Organizers

Steffi Beckhaus

Universität Hamburg

Ernst Kruijff

Fraunhofer-Institut für Medienkommunikation

18

Commodity-Based Projection VR

Monday, Half Day, 8:30 am - 12:15 pm

LEVEL: BEGINNING

How to build a moderate-cost, single-screen, projection-based virtual reality system. This course covers the basics of virtual reality (stereoscopy, tracking, audio) and the options for implementing them with commodity hardware. It includes a discussion of open-source software that can be used to drive the system.

Organizer

Dave Pape

University at Buffalo

Monday, 9 August

19

A Practical Guide to Ray Tracing and Photon Mapping

Monday, Tutorial, 3:45 - 5:30 pm

LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

A detailed description of the ray-tracing and photon-mapping algorithms for simulating global illumination, including caustics, participating media, and subsurface scattering. This tutorial provides the practical insight necessary for using and implementing ray tracing and photon mapping.

Organizer

Henrik Wann Jensen

University of California, San Diego

20

Color in Information Display: Principles, Perception, and Models

Monday, Tutorial, 3:45 - 5:30 pm

LEVEL: BEGINNING

Effective use of color in information display is often considered strictly a design problem. But many design principles have their roots in color perception and wise use of media. This tutorial surveys algorithmic creation of effective, robust color for visualization, illustration, and user-interface design.

Organizer

Maureen Stone

StoneSoup Consulting

21

Introduction to Bayesian Learning

Monday, Tutorial, 3:45 - 5:30 pm

LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

Bayesian reasoning is a fundamental tool of machine learning and statistics. Beginning from first principles, this course develops the general methodologies for designing learning algorithms and describes their application to several problems in graphics.

Organizer

Aaron Hertzmann

University of Toronto

Monday, 9 August

22

Projectors: Advanced Graphics and Vision Techniques

Monday, Tutorial, 3:45 - 5:30 pm

LEVEL: ADVANCED

Projectors are widely used in art, virtual/augmented reality, and large-scale displays. In addition to design, rendering, and calibration algorithms in conventional systems, this course reviews relevant topics in parametric image warping, projective geometry, curved-screen rendering, immersive displays, handheld projectors, graphics hardware acceleration, and camera-assisted methods, with real examples.

Organizer

Ramesh Raskar

Mitsubishi Electric Research Labs

23

There Can Still Be Only One: Independent Animation Production for the Lonely

Monday, Tutorial, 3:45 - 5:30 pm

LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

Many logistical challenges await independent animators. This beginner-to-intermediate tutorial, expanded from a popular tutorial offered at SIGGRAPH 2003, addresses the ambitious loner who is seeking to create animation without a large budget or staff. Attendees learn how to take animation from concept to creation to festival submission.

Co-Organizers

Kristen Palana

Steve Rittler

William Paterson University

24

Enhancing Three-Dimensional Vision With Three-Dimensional Sound

Monday, Tutorial, 3:45 - 5:30 pm

LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

Current audio techniques in multi-channel, three-dimensional sound. This course starts with the history and development of multi-channel sound, followed by 3D-sound synthesis, common 3D-sound engines, currently available hardware, and a more detailed description of virtualization techniques and spatial audio algorithms.

Organizer

Philipp Stampfl

AUDITE

Tuesday, 10 August

25

Developing Augmented Reality Applications

Tuesday, Full Day, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

A detailed introduction to augmented reality (AR) and how to build AR applications. Attendees also learn about current research and explore hands-on demonstrations.

Co-Organizers
Mark Billingham
University of Canterbury

Dieter Schmalstieg
Technische Universität Wien

26

Real-Time Shadowing Techniques

Tuesday, Full Day, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

How to incorporate shadows in real-time rendering. Basic shadowing techniques, more advanced techniques that exploit new features of graphics hardware, the differences among these algorithms, and their strengths and weaknesses. The course includes implementation details.

Co-Organizers
Jan Kautz
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Marc Stamminger
Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg

27

Level Set and PDE Methods for Computer Graphics

Tuesday, Full Day, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm
LEVEL: ADVANCED

The underlying concepts, equations and numerical methods for level set and partial differential equation methods. This course describes their use in a variety of graphics applications, including image/video inpainting, pattern formation, 3D geometric modeling, 3D shape reconstruction, image/volume segmentation, image/shape morphing, and simulation of natural phenomena.

Organizer
David Breen
Drexel University

Tuesday, 10 August

28

Real-Time Volume Graphics

Tuesday, Full Day, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

A comprehensive overview of Real-time volume graphics on graphics hardware. Applications include both scientific visualization of volume data and real-time rendering of atmospheric phenomena and participating media (such as fire, smoke, and clouds). Topics include local and global illumination, scattering, transfer function design, animation and deformation, and large volumes.

Co-Organizers
Markus Hadwiger
VRVis Research Center

Christof Rezk-Salama
Universität Siegen

29

An Interactive Introduction to OpenGL Programming

Tuesday, Half Day, 8:30 am - 12:15 pm
LEVEL: BEGINNING

The knowledge that OpenGL programmers need to author interactive, 3D graphics applications. This course covers fundamental topics such as modeling, lighting, depth buffering, and texture mapping, and introduces advanced topics such as using vertex and fragment programs.

Organizer
Dave Shreiner
SGI

30

Visualizing Geospatial Data

Tuesday, Half Day, 1:45 - 5:30 pm
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

Processes and methods associated with visualizing geospatial data, cartographic and geographic traditions of visual display, and recent developments in scientific and information visualization and their impacts on geovisualization. Examples from wide ranges of available geospatial data, geoinformatics, and distributed geovisualizations are shown in real time.

Organizer
Theresa-Marie Rhyne
North Carolina State University

Wednesday, 11 August

31

The Elements of Nature: Interactive and Realistic Techniques

Wednesday, Full Day, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

The state of the art for interactive and photorealistic simulation of water, sky, clouds, fire, landscapes/terrain, plants, and plant ecosystems. Topics include: new interactive approximation techniques, complex movie-quality simulation techniques, practical implementation techniques, and state-of-the-art research issues.

Organizer
David Ebert
Purdue University

32

GPGPU: General-Purpose Computation on Graphics Hardware

Wednesday, Full Day, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

Recent advances in graphics processor (GPU) technology have transformed GPUs into powerful engines capable of a variety of computations beyond computer graphics. This course presents a detailed introduction to general-purpose computation on graphics hardware (GPGPU), with an emphasis on core computational building blocks, ranging from linear algebra to database queries.

Co-Organizers
Mark Harris
NVIDIA Corporation

David Luebke
University of Virginia

33

Crowd and Group Animation

Wednesday, Full Day, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm
LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

A continuous challenge for special effects in movies is the production of realistic virtual crowds. Real-time crowds are also required for games and virtual reality applications. This course presents state-of-the-art techniques and examples in recent movies ("Star Wars," "Lord of the Rings," "Shrek") and VR applications.

Organizer
Daniel Thalmann
Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (EPFL)

Papers

The premier international forum for ground-breaking, provocative, and important new work in computer graphics and interactive techniques. SIGGRAPH 2004 papers set the standard in the field, stimulate future trends, and explore challenging issues in related fields: human-computer interaction, computer-aided design, computer vision, robotics, visualization, web graphics, and computer games, among others.

Each accepted Paper is presented by the author(s) at SIGGRAPH 2004, printed in the ACM Transactions on Graphics (Conference Proceedings special issue), and included on the Full Conference DVD-ROM that Full Conference attendees receive with their registration.

The Papers listed here have been conditionally accepted and are undergoing a final review. When that process is complete, the final list will be available on the SIGGRAPH 2004 web site: www.siggraph.org/s2004/conference/papers



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Special Event

Fast-Forward Papers Preview
Sunday, 8 August, 6-8 pm

Snapshot overviews of the paper sessions, in which authors give short summaries of their work. It's a fast, fun, and provocative preview of the latest and most significant findings in computer graphics and interactive techniques.

Monday, 9 August

8:30 - 10:15 am

Graphics is Fun

Session Chair: Frédo Durand,
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Graphics Gems Revisited: Fast and Physically Based Rendering of Gemstones

Stephane Guy
PRIMA-GRAVIR/IMAG-INRIA

Cyril Soler

ARTIS-GRAVIR/IMAG-INRIA

Band Moiré Images

Roger D. Hersch
Sylvain Chosson
École polytechnique fédérale de
Lausanne

Perceptual Audio Rendering of Complex Virtual Environments

Nicolas Tsingos
Emmanuel Gallo
George Drettakis
REVES, INRIA Sophia Antipolis

Making Papercraft Toys From Meshes Using Strip-Based Approximate Unfolding

Jun Mitani
Hiromasa Suzuki
The University of Tokyo

8:30 - 10:15 am

Curves & Surfaces

Session Chair: Marc Alexa, Technische
Universität Darmstadt

Defining Point-Set Surfaces

Nina Amenta
Yong Kil
University of California, Davis

A Simple Manifold-Based Construction of Surfaces of Arbitrary Smoothness

Lexing Ying
Denis Zorin
New York University

T-Spline Simplification and Local Refinement

Thomas W. Sederberg
David Cardon
G. Thomas Finnigan
Nicholas North
Brigham Young University

Jianmin Zheng Nanyang
Technological University

Tom Lyche
Oslo University

Energy-Minimizing Splines in Manifolds

Michael Hofer
Helmut Pottmann
Technische Universität Wien

10:30 am - 12:15 pm

3D Texture

Session Chair: Julie Dorsey, Yale
University

Volumetric Illustration: Designing 3D Models with Internal Textures

Shigeru Owada
University of Tokyo

Frank Nielsen

Sony Computer Science Laboratories,
Inc.

Makoto Okabe

The University of Tokyo/Sony Computer
Science Laboratories, Inc.

Takeo Igarashi

The University of Tokyo

Stereological Techniques for Solid Textures

Robert Jagnow
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Julie Dorsey

Yale University

Holly Rushmeier

IBM T.J. Watson Research Center

A Multilinear Approach to Image-Based Rendering: TensorTextures

M. Alex O. Vasilescu
University of Toronto

Demetri Terzopoulos

New York University

Shell Texture Functions

Yanyun Chen

Xin Tong

Steve Lin

Microsoft Research Asia

Jiaping Wang

Institute of Computing Technology,
Chinese Academy of Sciences

Baining Guo

Heung-Yeung Shum

Microsoft Research Asia

Tuesday, 10 August

10:30 am - 12:15 pm

Interacting With Images

Session Chair: Aaron Hertzmann,
University of Toronto

Interactive Digital Photomontage

Aseem Agarwala
Mira Dontcheva
The University of Washington

Maneesh Agrawala
Steven Drucker
Alex Colburn
Microsoft Research

Brian Curless
The University of Washington

David Salesin
The University of Washington

Michael F. Cohen
Microsoft Research

LazySnapping

Yin Li
Hong Kong University of Science and
Technology

Jian Sun
Microsoft Research Asia

Chi-Keung Tang
Hong Kong University of Science and
Technology

Heung-Yeung Shum
Microsoft Research Asia

GrabCut - Interactive Foreground Extraction Using Iterated Graph Cuts

Carsten Rother
Andrew Blake
Vladimir Kolmogorov
Microsoft Research Ltd.

Poisson Matting

Jian Sun
Microsoft Research Asia

Jiaya Jia
Chi-Keung Tang
Hong Kong University of Science and
Technology

Heung-Yeung Shum
Microsoft Research Asia

3:45 - 5:30 pm

Photo & Video Texture

Session Chair: Dani Lischinski, The
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Textureshop: Texture Synthesis as a Photograph Editing Tool

Hui Fang
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Champaign

Flow-Based Video Synthesis and Editing

Kiran Bhat
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Feature Deformation and Synthesis for Textures

Qing Wu
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Near-Regular Texture Analysis and Manipulation

Yanxi Liu
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James Hays
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Dynamics & Modeling

Session Chair: Jovan Popović,
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Rigid Fluid: Animating the Interplay Between Rigid Bodies and Fluid

Mark Carlson
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Greg Turk
Georgia Institute of Technology

A Virtual Node Algorithm for Changing Mesh Topology During Simulation

Neil Molino
Zhaosheng Bao
Stanford University

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Stanford University/
Industrial Light + Magic

BD-Tree: Output-Sensitive Collision Detection for Reduced Deformable Models

Doug L. James
Carnegie Mellon University

Dinesh K. Pai
Rutgers University

Deformation Transfer for Triangle Meshes

Robert W. Sumner
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Identifying & Sketching the Future

Session Chair: Maneesh Agrawala, Microsoft Research

RFID Lamps: Interacting with a Self-Describing World via Photosensing Wireless Tags and Projectors

Ramesh Raskar
Paul Beardsley
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VisualIDs: Automatic Distinctive Icons for Desktop Interfaces

J.P. Lewis
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Motion Doodles: An Interface for Sketching Character Motion

Matthew Thorne
David Burke
Michiel van de Panne
The University of British Columbia

MathPad²: A System for the Creation and Exploration of Mathematical Sketches

Joseph J. LaViola, Jr.
Robert C. Zeleznik
Brown University

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Smoke, Water, & Goop

Session Chair: Doug L. James, Carnegie Mellon University

Target-Driven Smoke Animation

Raanan Fattal
Dani Lischinski
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Fluid Control Using the Adjoint Method

Antoine McNamara
Adrien Treuille
Zoran Popović
University of Washington

Jos Stam
Alias Systems

Simulating Water and Smoke with an Octree Data Structure

Frank Losasso
Frederic Gibou
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Ronald Fedkiw
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A Method for Animating Viscoelastic Fluids

Tolga G. Goktekin
Adam W. Bargteil
James F. O'Brien
University of California, Berkeley

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Lighting & Sampling

Session Chair: Kavita Bala, Cornell University

An Approximate Global Illumination System for Computer Generated Films

Eric Tabellion
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PDI/Dreamworks

Triple Product Wavelet Integrals for All-Frequency Relighting

Ren Ng
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Ravi Ramamoorthi
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Pat Hanrahan
Stanford University

Fast Hierarchical Importance Sampling With Blue Noise Properties

Victor Ostromoukhov
Charles Donohue
Pierre-Marc Jodoin
Université de Montréal

Efficient BRDF Importance Sampling Using A Factored Representation

Jason Lawrence
Szymon Rusinkiewicz
Princeton University

Ravi Ramamoorthi
Columbia University

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Data-Driven Character Animation

Session Chair: Nancy Pollard, Carnegie Mellon University

Speaking With Hands: Creating Animated Conversational Characters From Recordings of Human Performance

Matthew Stone
Doug DeCarlo
Insuk Oh
Christian Rodriguez
Adrian Stere
Rutgers University

Alyssa Whitlock Lees
Christoph Bregler
New York University

Synthesizing Physically Realistic Human Motion in Low-Dimensional, Behavior-Specific Spaces

Alla Safonova
Jessica Hodgins
Nancy Pollard
Carnegie Mellon University

Style-Based Inverse Kinematics

Keith Grochow
Steven L. Martin
The University of Washington

Aaron Hertzmann
University of Toronto

Zoran Popović
The University of Washington

Synthesizing Animations of Human Manipulation Tasks

Katsu Yamane
University of Tokyo

James Kuffner
Jessica Hodgins
Carnegie Mellon University

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Shape & Motion

Session Chair: Leonard McMillan, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Pitching a Baseball: Tracking High-Speed Motion With Multi-Exposure Images

Christian Theobalt
Irene Albrecht
Jörg Haber
Marcus Magnor
Hans-Peter Seidel
Max-Planck-Institut für Informatik

Spacetime Faces: High-Resolution Capture for Modeling and Animation

Li Zhang
Keith Noah Snavely
Brian Curless
Steven M. Seitz
The University of Washington

Automated Extraction and Parameterization of Motions in Large Data Sets

Lucas Kovar
Michael Gleicher
University of Wisconsin-Madison

Obscuring Length Changes During Animated Motion

Jason Harrison
Ronald A. Rensink
Michiel van de Panne
The University of British Columbia

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Video-Based Rendering

Session Chair: Irfan Essa, Georgia Institute of Technology

Video Tooning

Jue Wang
The University of Washington

Yingqing Xu
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Keyframe-Based Tracking for Rotoscoping and Animation

Aseem Agarwala
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Video Matching

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High-Quality Video View Interpolation Using a Layered Representation

Charles Lawrence Zitnick
Sing Bing Kang
Matt Uyttendaele
Simon Winder
Richard Szeliski
Microsoft Research

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Shape Analysis

Session Chair: Nina Amenta, University of California, Davis

Ridge-Valley Lines on Meshes via Implicit Surface Fitting

Yutaka Ohtake
Alexander Belyaev
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Fair Morse Functions for Extracting the Topological Structure of a Surface Mesh

Xinlai Ni
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Shape Matching and Anisotropy

Michael Kazhdan
Thomas Funkhouser
Szymon Rusinkiewicz
Princeton University

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Interactive Modeling

Session Chair: Mark Pauly, Stanford University

An Intuitive Framework for Real-Time Freeform Modeling

Mario Botsch
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Interactive Modeling of Topologically Complex Geometric Detail

Jianbo Peng
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Mesh Editing With Gradient Field Manipulation

Yizhou Yu
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Modeling by Example

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3:45 - 5:30 pm
Flash & Color

Session Chair: Richard Szeliski, Microsoft Research

Digital Photography with Flash and No-Flash Image Pairs

Georg Petschnigg
Maneesh Agrawala
Hugues Hoppe
Richard Szeliski
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Flash Photography Enhancement Via Intrinsic Relighting

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Stylized Images Using a Multi-Flash Camera

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Colorization Using Optimization

Anat Levin
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Capture From Images

Session Chair: Markus Gross,
Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule
Zürich

Protected Interactive 3D Graphics Via Remote Rendering

David Koller
Michael Turitzin
Marc Levoy
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Eyes for Relighting

Ko Nishino
Shree K. Nayar
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Capture of Hair Geometry From Multiple Images

Sylvain Paris
Hector Briceno
François Sillion
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Reconstruction and Interactive Rendering of Trees from Photographs

Alex Reche
REVES/INRIA and CSTB

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Reprise of UIST and VRST

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Technology Symposium and the
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and Technology are two small confer-
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Five of the best papers from the most
recent UIST and VRST symposia are
presented in abbreviated form.

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HDR and Perception

Session Chair: Jack Tumblin,
Northwestern University

Perception-Motivated High- Dynamic-Range Video Encoding

Rafal Mantiuk
Grzegorz Krawczyk
Karol Myszkowski
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Max-Planck-Institut für Informatik

Perceptual Illumination Components: A New Approach to Efficient, High-Quality Global Illumination Rendering

William A. Stokes
James A. Ferwerda
Bruce Walter
Donald P. Greenberg
Cornell University

Supra-Threshold Control of Peripheral LOD

Benjamin Watson
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High-Dynamic-Range Display Systems

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York University

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Lorne Whitehead
Matthew Trentacoste
Abhijeet Ghosh
The University of British Columbia

Andrejs Vorozcovs
York University

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Large Meshes and GPU Programming

Session Chair: Peter-Pike Sloan,
Microsoft Corporation

Geometry Clipmaps: Terrain Rendering Using Nested Regular Grids

Frank Losasso
Stanford University

Hugues Hoppe
Microsoft Research

Brook for GPUs: Stream Computing on Graphics Hardware

Ian Buck
Tim Foley
Daniel Horn
Jeremy Sugerman
Pat Hanrahan
Stanford University

Shader Algebra

Michael McCool
Stefanus Du Toit
Tiberiu Popa
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Adaptive TetraPuzzles: Efficient Out-of-Core Construction and Visualization of Gigantic Multiresolution Polygonal Models

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1:45 - 3:15 pm

Lightfield Acquisition & Display

Session Chair: Hanspeter Pfister,
Mitsubishi Electric Research
Laboratories

Achieving Near-Correct Focus Cues Using Multiple Image Planes

Kurt Akeley
Stanford University

Simon J. Watt
Ahna Reza Girshick
Martin S. Banks
University of California, Berkeley

3D TV: A Scalable System for Real-Time Acquisition, Transmission, and Autostereoscopic Display of Dynamic Scenes

Wojciech Matusik
Hanspeter Pfister
Mitsubishi Electric Research
Laboratories

Synthetic Aperture Confocal Imaging

Marc Levoy
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DISCO - Acquisition of Translucent Objects

Michael Goesele
Hendrik P. A. Lensch
Jochen Lang
Christian Fuchs
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Mesh Parameterization

Session Chair: Michael Garland,
University of Illinois at Urbana-
Champaign

Painting Detail

Nathan A. Carr
John C. Hart
University of Illinois at Urbana
Champaign

Polycube-Maps

Marco Tarini
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Cross-Parameterization and Compatible Remeshing of 3D Models

Vladislav Kraevoy
Alla Sheffer
The University of British Columbia

Inter-Surface Mapping

John Schreiner
Arul Prakash
Emil Praun
University of Utah

Hugues Hoppe
Microsoft Research

3:45 - 5:30 pm

Fixing Models

Session Chair: Emil Praun, University of
Utah

Context-Based Surface Completion

Andrei Sharf
Tel Aviv University

Marc Alexa
Technische Universität Darmstadt

Daniel Cohen Or
Tel Aviv University

Robust Repair of Polygonal Models

Tao Ju
Rice University

Interpolating and Approximating Implicit Surfaces From Polygon Soup

Chen Shen
James F. O'Brien
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Variational Shape Approximation

David Cohen-Steiner
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Monday, 9 August

Building a Bridge to the Aesthetic Experience: Artistic Virtual Environments and Other Interactive Digital Art

Monday, 10:30 am - 12:15 pm

Most artists, curators, and museum educators share an important common goal: to create or curate art that viewers can appreciate and enjoy. Ideally, they also want viewers to enter an experience that is immersive and builds a connection with the work beyond the surface of the media. This aesthetic experience is complex and multifaceted, and may be characterized by a finely tuned state of consciousness, or awe, intense focus, and pure enjoyment (Dewey, 1934; Csikszentmihalyi & Robinson, 1990a). Csikszentmihalyi also refers to this state as the flow experience (Csikszentmihalyi, 1990b).

Many people feel that virtual environments or other digital technologies may facilitate the aesthetic experience for the viewer. Others feel that this equipment does nothing to bring participants closer to a flow experience, and that the complexity, expense, and inaccessibility of this genre of art installations may confuse and alienate viewers.

This panel is not about the validity of virtual environments and interactive digital works as art forms. It is a debate on the effectiveness of this technology to help the viewer experience art in a richer way. Panelists discuss theory, experiences of individual artists, and studies that connect the quality of the aesthetic experience to digital interactivity.

Moderator

Dena Eber

Bowling Green State University

Panelists

Brian Betz

Kent State University

Tobey Crockett

University of California, Irvine

Juliet Davis

University of Tampa

Flavia Sparacino

Sensing Places/Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Careers in Computer Graphics Entertainment

Monday, 3:45 - 5:30 pm

A forum for information exchange between people who are interested in the field and the organizations they might work for. Panelists from large, mid-sized, and small companies spanning digital features, games, visual effects, commercials, and more discuss today's job market and how to best prepare for entry into the industry.

Topics include: skills required for production, production support, entry-level positions, internships, reel and résumé preparation, how to apply for work, and typical job shortages and surpluses. If you're a student, an educator, or just plain curious, this panel delivers inside information.

Moderator

Rachel Falk

PDI/DreamWorks

Panelists

Hael Kobayashi

Animal Logic

Bob Nicoll

Electronic Arts

Luke O'Byrne

The Orphanage

Dan Scherlis

Etherplay

Kate Shaw

Industrial Light + Magic

Tuesday, 10 August

3D Animation: Difficult or Impossible to Teach and Learn?

Tuesday, 10:30 am - 12:15 pm

Teaching the skills needed to animate in current 3D software is difficult. Learning it may be more so. Being the only totally digital art form, it does not fall neatly into computer science or art. It does share an abundance of the complexities and consternations of both. Current applications can feel like a hodge-podge of ideas from drafting, particle and Newtonian physics, geometry, and puppet animation, forcing the student to face the most complex interface in computerdom. The programs get harder to learn as you read this.

This panel is for anyone who has ever been frustrated by 3D software. The panelists attempt to determine the nature of current educational practice in 3D animation. They examine the situation from three viewpoints (user, creator, and educator) and search for a consensus on what works and what doesn't. Multiple insights help us understand where we are in the evolution of 3D education and what directions to explore in the future.

Particular emphasis is placed on the existing model: coursework, demo projects, internships, employment, and continuing development of software. What are the negative and positive aspects of this situation? How does this compare to other areas of digital imagery training? Who is getting what they need out of the situation? Should education be application-specific? Should it be delivered in a trade school or a liberal arts college?

Panelists were selected for their positions in the infrastructure of 3D training: educator, employer, or software author. This may be the first time representatives from all these groups have gathered to discuss how people learn to produce the virtual worlds they create.

Moderator
Francis Schmidt
Bergen Community College

Panelists
Jim Jagger
BioWare Corp.

Jim McCampbell
Ringling School of Art and Design

Craig Slagel
Electronic Arts

Next-Generation User Interface Technology for Consumer Electronics

Tuesday, 1:45 - 3:15 pm

As the power and complexity of consumer electronic devices continues to increase, the potential for a more enthralling, visually exciting, and compelling user experience also increases. The purpose of this panel is to investigate application of existing tools and techniques from various disciplines within the ACM SIGGRAPH community to the next generation of consumer devices. This panel is a follow-on to the ACM SIGGRAPH Campfire (Workshop) on the same subject held in May 2004 in Snowbird, Utah.

Given the power of the CPUs and graphics engines being designed into the next generation of devices, is it possible, meaningful, useful, and/or appropriate to exploit such technologies as:

- OpenGL/DirectX
- Game engines
- Parallel processing
- Haptic devices
- Augmented reality
- Story-telling interactivity
- Scientific visualization
- Animation

As we prepare to step into a new world of human interaction with electronics devices in our daily lives, we must find new ways to create an effective and enjoyable user experience. The ACM SIGGRAPH community is uniquely positioned to influence the interaction between consumers and their home environments.

Moderator
Garry Paxinos
US Digital Television

Cultural Heritage and Computer Graphics: What Are the Issues?

Tuesday, 3:45 - 5:30 pm

In many parts of the world, governments are allocating more financial support for projects that use technology to preserve and communicate cultural heritage. This panel considers several key related questions: What is the role of computer graphics in these projects? Is cultural heritage just an interesting area for using graphics, or does it present unique research challenges? How successful have projects in computer graphics and cultural heritage been? Are the basic tools and techniques developed in graphics adequate for use in cultural heritage, or are we missing opportunities?

This panel brings together the growing population of people who work in the area of computer graphics and cultural heritage. People who have worked on these projects report on their experiences (what has worked and what has not) and explore unsolved problems. The goal is to determine what we need to move past the current "yet-another-project" phase and build a formal body of knowledge in computer graphics and cultural heritage.

Moderator
Holly Rushmeier
Yale University

Panelists
David Arnold
University of Brighton

Alan Chalmers
University of Bristol

Katsushi Ikeuchi
The University of Tokyo

Mark Mudge
Cultural Heritage Imaging

Roberto Scopigno
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Wednesday, 11 August

Custom Software Development in Post-Production

Wednesday, 1:45 - 3:15 pm

Most post-production and digital effects work employs custom software to varying degrees. This software may be necessary for high-end work, and it produces stunning results, but from the perspective of digital artists and other users it is often fragile and difficult to use.

This panel discusses in broad terms what is wrong with our custom software, why it is this way, and how it can be improved. Also a major topic: whether open-source software can be utilized to improve the situation.

Moderator
Andrew Chapman
Framestore CFC

Panelists
Jack Brooks
Walt Disney Imagineering

David Hart
PDI/DreamWorks

Daniel Maskit
Digital Domain

Steve Sullivan
Industrial Light + Magic

Thursday, 12 August

Games Development: How Will You Feed the Next Generation of Hardware?

Thursday, 1:45 - 3:15 pm

Every time a new high-end platform is released, development techniques become more complex. In the early 1980s, a videogame was a six-to-nine-month job for a single person. A typical team size these days is 25-30, and it's not uncommon to see games taking two or three years (or more) to complete. We see an increase in complexity with every new high-end platform, both in terms of development techniques and quantity of art assets. On average, each new console is 10 times more powerful than its predecessor and tends to require double the team size to produce games for the new environment. As development teams once again see new hardware fast approaching on the horizon, the question arises: How we will manage the increase in content creation?

Companies will not be able to expand their teams into the hundreds, take three years to put out a title, and then pray that it sells enough to support all those people and salaries. Simply bloating the old production model will not work. It's time for new solutions. With that in mind, the main thrust of this panel discussion is to explore how we can approach the challenge of making the games that the next generation of hardware will demand. The possible solutions are many, but are there any that will really allow teams to output both quantity and quality while still maintaining financial viability and manageable staff numbers?

Moderator
Christian Lavoie
Sony Computer Entertainment Europe

Panelists
Emilie Saulnier
Vicarious Visions

James Spoto
Frank Vitz
Electronic Arts

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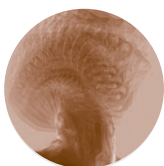
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For the latest books and CD-ROMs on computer animation, graphic design, gaming, 3D graphics, modeling, and digital lighting, visit the SIGGRAPH 2004 bookstore, which is managed by BreakPoint Books. Be sure to look for the latest books from SIGGRAPH 2004 speakers and ACM SIGGRAPH award winners. All prices are discounted 10 percent for SIGGRAPH 2004 attendees. To suggest books and CD-ROMs that should be available in the bookstore, contact:

BreakPoint Books
800.968.9622
+1.440.236.5686 fax
www.breakpointbooks.com

Job Fair

The Art Institutes is sponsoring this opportunity for leading companies in computer graphics to discuss employment opportunities with thousands of SIGGRAPH 2004 attendees in a relaxed, informal setting. The Job Fair is held on Tuesday, 10 August, 10 am - 4 pm, and Wednesday, 11 August, noon - 4 pm. All registered SIGGRAPH 2004 attendees are welcome to attend this event, at no cost. For more information, contact:

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+1.503.645.0922
cwinn@edmc.edu

jobfair@siggraph.org
www.siggraph.org/s2004/conference/jobfair

Shipping Desk

For your convenience, a shipping desk is located in the registration area at SIGGRAPH 2004. It provides next-day air, second-day air, and regular ground shipping to destinations around the world.

Shuttle Service

SIGGRAPH 2004 provides limited complimentary shuttle bus service between most conference hotels and the Los Angeles Convention Center. There will be no mid-day shuttle service. Check the shuttle flyer and signs in hotel lobby for exact details. If you require special transportation assistance, please call Conference Management: **+1.312.644.6610**.

Special Policies

- Registered attendees under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult at all times.
- Children under 16 are not permitted in the Exhibition. Age verification is required.
- No cameras or recording devices are permitted at SIGGRAPH 2004. Abuse of this policy will result in the loss of the individual's registration credentials.
- Food and beverages cannot be brought into Electronic Theater performances.

Los Angeles Convention Center

1201 South Figueroa Street
Los Angeles, California 90015

Accessibility

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Business Center

USA Hosts Business Center offers computer time rental and faxing services. The Business Center also sells office supplies, phone cards, and U.S. stamps.

Food Services

Several restaurants and food carts are available throughout the convention center for the convenience of SIGGRAPH 2004 attendees.

Parking

SIGGRAPH 2004 attendees can park at the Los Angeles Convention Center for \$10 per day. There are no in/out privileges. The Los Angeles Convention Center parking garages located in the West and South Halls open at 5:30 am and close one hour after the conclusion of the last scheduled SIGGRAPH 2004 function.

Housing & Travel

Hotel Reservations

SIGGRAPH 2004 has negotiated discount rates for hotels in downtown Los Angeles. These discounts are available to SIGGRAPH 2004 attendees only.

Attendee hotel reservations require a deposit of two nights' room and tax. Deposits are non-refundable after Monday, 12 July. SIGGRAPH 2004's deposit policy supersedes individual hotel deposit policies.

Visit the SIGGRAPH 2004 web site (www.siggraph.org/s2004/travhouse) to access the easy-to-use online hotel reservation system, which includes complete information on housing policies, procedures, and rates.

Or contact:

SIGGRAPH 2004 Housing
c/o ITS
108 Wilmot Road Suite 400
Deerfield, Illinois 60015 USA
800.974.9833 (Continental US and Canada)
+1.847.282.2529
+1.847.940.2386 fax
siggraph@itsmeetings.com

Air Travel

Fly on the official SIGGRAPH 2004 airlines, United Airlines and America West, and save! Plus save 10% off the lowest applicable America West fare when you book and ticket 60 days or more prior to travel, and 10% off the lowest applicable United Airlines fare when you book and ticket 30 days or more prior to travel.

To receive these exclusive discounts call ITS toll-free:

800.621.1083
+1.847.940.1176, outside the US and Canada
airtravel@itsmeetings.com

8 am - 5 pm Central time, Monday through Friday

Or use the ITS Online Reservation System, which provides airline reservations at the lowest available fare plus the convenience of booking air travel online. A nominal \$20 service fee is charged for each airline ticket reserved and purchased by phone. The service fee is \$5 if you book online.

Or call the official airlines directly:

United Airlines 800.521.4041 and mention file number: 522YB
America West 800.548.7575 and mention file number: AP4460

Hertz Rental Car Discount

SIGGRAPH 2004 has negotiated special rental rates with Hertz for car rentals from one week before through one week after the conference. These special rates are subject to availability. Advance reservations are recommended; blackout dates may apply. For rental car reservations, call ITS or Hertz directly at:

ITS: 800.621.1083 (US only)
Hertz: 800.654.2240 (US only); 800.263.0600 (Canada only);
+1.416.620.9620 (Toronto); +1.405.749.4434 (all other areas)

When you call, mention file number: CV#010L0040

Enterprise Rent-A-Car

Enterprise Rent-A-Car offers special discount rates at Los Angeles International Airport and five rental locations in downtown Los Angeles. To reserve a car and free pick-up service from any SIGGRAPH 2004 hotel, call:

800.593.0505
Downtown LA office: +1.213.627.5432

When you call, mention discount code: 32H7421.

Metro Rail

The best alternative to congested freeways and expensive parking. Metro Rail offers convenient service from Los Angeles International Airport to the convention center and downtown hotels. From downtown, Metro Rail subways provide quick access to Pasadena, Hollywood, and Universal City.

Los Angeles

Where east meets west and north meets south in a multicultural metropolis that applies the next generation of computer graphics and interactive techniques to visual effects, scientific visualization, animation, game technologies, simulation, and internet environments.

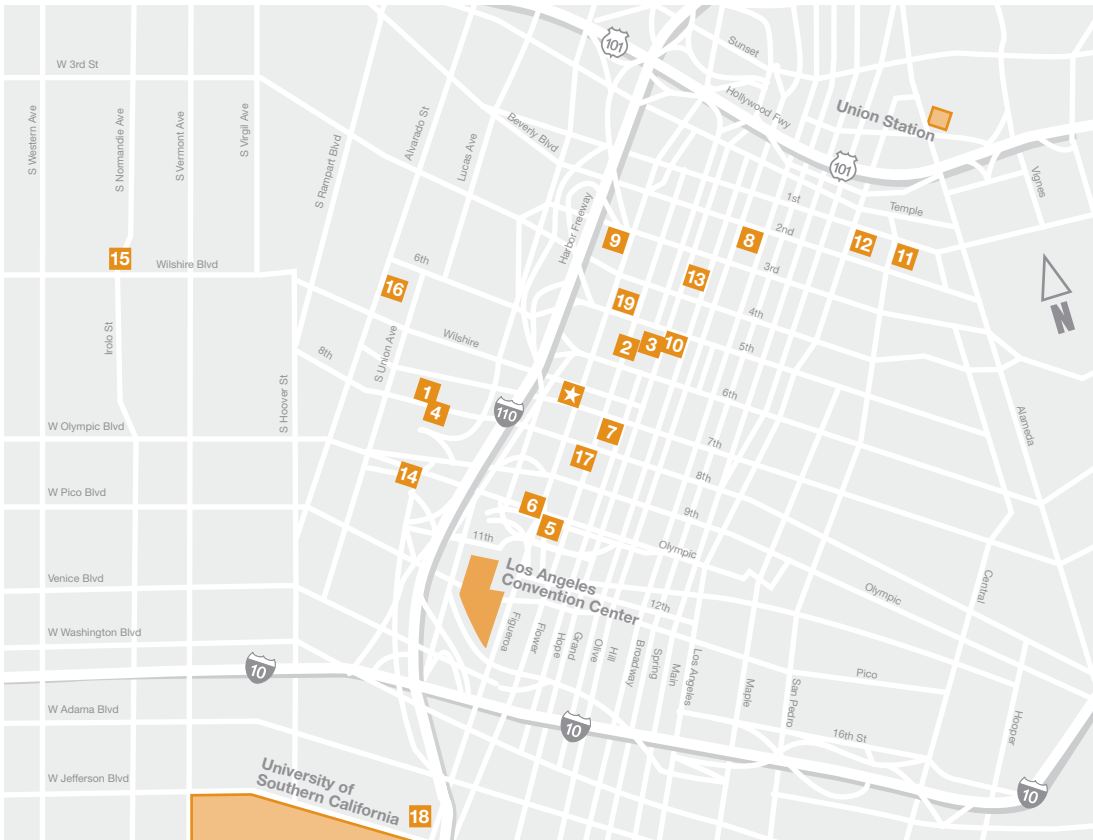
For complete information on LA's tourist attractions, contact:

LA INC. The Convention and Visitors Bureau
333 South Hope Street, 18th Floor
Los Angeles, California 90071 USA
+1.213.689.8822

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Accommodations



Downtown Los Angeles

A 10.5% tax per night is added to all hotel bills in Los Angeles. Room occupancy taxes are subject to change. Early departure fees may apply. Prices listed are per night.

- ★ Headquarters: Wilshire Grand Hotel
- 1 Best Western Mayfair Hotel
- 2 Downtown LA Standard
- 3 Hilton Checkers Hotel
- 4 Holiday Inn Downtown
- 5 Holiday Inn Los Angeles City Center
- 6 Hotel Figueroa
- 7 Hyatt Regency Los Angeles
- 8 Kawada Hotel
- 9 Los Angeles Marriott Downtown
- 10 Millennium Biltmore Hotel
- 11 Miyako Hotel Los Angeles
- 12 New Otani Hotel & Garden
- 13 Omni Los Angeles Hotel
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- 15 Radisson Wilshire Plaza
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	single (\$)	double (\$)
★	151	151
1	92	92
2	153	153
3	145	145
4	95	105
5	140	140
6	124	124
7	149	149
8	106	116
9	152	152
10	147	147
11	125	140
12	143	143
13	153	153
14	68	68
15	120	120
16	68	72
17	79	79
18	105	115
19	161	171

- **Full Conference** ● **Conference Select** ○ **Exhibits Plus**

One Day registration includes access to conference programs and events. It does not include technical documentation or tickets for the reception and Electronic Theater.

Presentations, Experiences, Services & Documentation Included With Your SIGGRAPH 2004 Registration

Presentations

- Courses
- Papers
- Panels
- Sketches
- Posters
- Web Graphics
- Educators Program
- Keynote Address/Awards
- Special Sessions
- Special Event
- Exhibitor Tech Talks

Experiences

- Art Gallery
 - Computer Animation Festival
- Electronic Theater Ticket - Any Show
- Electronic Theater Matinée Ticket
- Animation Theater
- Emerging Technologies
- Guerilla Studio
- Reception

Services

- Birds of a Feather
- Get Involved
- International Resources
- Pathfinders

Documentation

- *ACM Transactions on Graphics* (Conference Proceedings special issue)
- Full Conference DVD-ROM
- Electronic Art & Animation Catalog
- Conference Select CD-ROM

Technical Materials

Full Conference and Conference Select registrants must pick up conference technical materials included with registration at the SIGGRAPH 2004 Merchandise Pickup Center. Shipping services are available at SIGGRAPH 2004. Unclaimed technical materials will not be shipped after the conference. All the technical publications are also available for sale in the SIGGRAPH 2004 Store.

Full Conference DVD-ROM

This digital publication contains the electronic version of the technical papers, images, and supplemental material; all of the course and tutorial notes, including supplemental material – movies, source code, HTML presentations; permanent record of the Educators Program, Emerging Technologies, Panels, Sketches, Special Sessions, and Web Graphics programs; along with the permanent record of the Art Gallery and Computer Animation Festival.

ACM Transactions on Graphics (Conference Proceedings special issue) – Printed

Contains the SIGGRAPH 2004 technical papers and the ACM SIGGRAPH awards.

Conference Select CD-ROM

This new digital publication contains the permanent record of the Art Gallery and Computer Animation Festival and the electronic version of the Educators Program, Emerging Technologies, Sketches, Special Sessions, and Web Graphics programs. Papers, Panels, and Courses are available only on the Full Conference DVD-ROM.

Electronic Art & Animation Catalog – Printed

Contains the permanent record of images from the Art Gallery and Computer Animation Festival.

Merchandise

To purchase gifts for family, friends, colleagues, and yourself, order your merchandise in advance through the SIGGRAPH 2004 Registration Form on page 43. SIGGRAPH 2004 merchandise is available on a first-come, first-served basis. To see images of these items, visit the SIGGRAPH 2004 web site:

www.siggraph.org/s2004/conference/merch

All SIGGRAPH 2004 documentation (see chart at left) including the SIGGRAPH Video Review is available for sale after the conference.

To order, contact:
ACM Order Department
800.342.6626 (Continental US & Canada)
+1.212.626.0500 (International)
+1.212.944.1318 fax
orders@acm.org

Wireless cards are available for purchase in the SIGGRAPH Store.

SIGGRAPH Video Review

SIGGRAPH Video Review is the world's most widely circulated video-based publication. Nearly 150 programs document the annual SIGGRAPH Computer Animation Festival, providing an unequalled opportunity to study state-of-the-art computer graphics techniques, theory, and applications. New releases and recent issues available in DVD format. Visit the SIGGRAPH Review booth near the SIGGRAPH 2004 Store. For information, contact:

svrorders@siggraph.org

Registration Form

Please follow the registration instructions on the back of this form.

Part 1 Attendee Information

Member or Student Member (SM): Membership Number _____ Non-Member (NM)

Student Non-Member (SN): Advisor's Name _____ AND Advisor's Confirmation Number _____

For details please refer to Registration Instructions & Policies.

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Job Title _____ Organization _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Country _____ Postal Code _____

Telephone (Include all country, area, and city codes.) _____ Fax _____ Email _____

Check if you do not want your contact information made available to exhibitors.

Your primary business focus:

Check only one:

- a Animation/Special Effects
- b CAD/CAM/CAE Engineer
- c Digital Video
- d Educator
- e Game Developer
- f Graphic Arts/Design
- g Researcher/Scientist
- h Software Developer/Programmer
- i Web Developer/eCommerce
- yy Other: _____

Products and services you use, recommend, specify, or purchase annually:

Check all that apply:

- j Animation
- k Business/PC Graphics
- l CAD/CAM/CAE/CIM/Robotics
- m Desktop/Other Publishing
- n Digital Video
- o FineArts/Graphic Design
- p Monitors and Displays
- q Multimedia/Hypermedia
- r Scan Converters/Scanners
- s Scientific Visualization
- t Special Graphics Processors
- u Storage
- v Virtual Reality/Simulation
- w Web Graphics/Development
- x Workstations
- zz Other: _____

Rate your buying influence:

Check only one:

- y Final Decision
- z Specify/Recommend
- aa No Role

Is this your first SIGGRAPH?:

- bb yes
- cc no

Part 2 Registration Category

Registration Fee Subtotal \$

Register for one category only:

Full Conference (FULL)

Postmarked by 2 July:

- Member \$700 Non-Member \$825 Student \$395

Received by 21 July:

- Member \$850 Non-Member \$1000 Student \$450

At SIGGRAPH 2004:

- Member \$950 Non-Member \$1100 Student \$500

Electronic Theater Ticket:

You must rank your time preference:

- ___ Monday 7 pm (670)
- ___ Tuesday 1:15 pm (671)
- ___ Tuesday 7 pm (672)
- ___ Wednesday 1:15 pm (673)
- ___ Wednesday 7 pm (674)

Conference Select (CS)

Postmarked by 2 July:

- Member \$220 Non-Member \$240 Student \$220

Received by 21 July:

- Member \$250 Non-Member \$270 Student \$250

At SIGGRAPH 2004:

- Member \$270 Non-Member \$300 Student \$270

Electronic Theater Ticket:

You must rank your time preference:

- ___ Tuesday 1:15 pm (671)
- ___ Wednesday 1:15 pm (673)

One Day

Postmarked by 2 July:

- \$300

Received by 21 July:

- \$350

At SIGGRAPH 2004:

- \$385

Days in Attendance:

Check up to two:

- Sunday (SUN)
- Monday (MON)
- Tuesday (TUES)
- Wednesday (WED)
- Thursday (THUR)
- Undecided (ODU)

Days ___ x \$ ___ = \$ ___

Exhibits Plus (EP)

Postmarked by 2 July:

- \$50

Received by 21 July:

- \$75

At SIGGRAPH 2004:

- \$75

Part 3 Merchandise

Merchandise Subtotal \$

T-shirt	Item# (500)	Quantity ___ x Cost \$18 = Subtotal \$ ___
Polo Shirt	Item# (520)	Quantity ___ x Cost \$35 = Subtotal \$ ___
Coffee Mug	Item# (525)	Quantity ___ x Cost \$13 = Subtotal \$ ___
Youth T-shirt	Item# (560)	Quantity ___ x Cost \$13 = Subtotal \$ ___
SIGGRAPH 2004 Video Review Set (DVD) Member	Item# (601)	Quantity ___ x Cost \$120 = Subtotal \$ ___
SIGGRAPH 2004 Video Review Set (DVD) Non-Member	Item# (601)	Quantity ___ x Cost \$180 = Subtotal \$ ___

SIGGRAPH 2004 Merchandise and Video Reviews MUST BE PICKED UP at SIGGRAPH 2004 in the Merchandise Pickup Center.

Part 4 Electronic Theater Ticket Purchase

Electronic Theater Ticket Subtotal \$

Please rank your preference:

- ___ Monday 7-9 pm (770) ___ Tuesday 1:15-3:30 pm (771) ___ Tuesday 7-9 pm (772) ___ Wednesday 1:15-3:30 pm (773) ___ Wednesday 7-9 pm (774)

One ticket is already included with Full Conference and Conference Select registrations. Registrants in any category can purchase one additional ticket.

Quantity (1) x Cost \$50 = Subtotal \$50

Part 5 Credential Mailing

Mailing Charges Subtotal \$

Two-day express mail to: Continental US/Canada. Cost: \$15 per person (990) Outside continental US/Canada. Cost: \$30 per person (991)

IMPORTANT: Credential mailing instructions and deadlines on reverse side of this form.

Part 6 Processing Fee

For fax or mail (992)

Processing Fee Subtotal \$ 15

Part 7 Payment Information

Total Amount Due \$

Check or money order is enclosed, payable to SIGGRAPH 2004.

American Express MasterCard Visa Credit card # _____ Expiration date _____

Name _____

Signature _____

(I authorize payment for the amount due for this registration to be processed as I have indicated.)

Registration Instructions & Policies

Complete all information on the registration form noting the following instructions and policies.

Part 1 Attendee Information

Member Rate: If you are currently an ACM or ACM SIGGRAPH member, you are eligible for member discounts. You must provide your current ACM or ACM SIGGRAPH membership number in order to receive the discount, otherwise you will be charged the non-member rate. Local or regional ACM SIGGRAPH memberships are not eligible for registration discounts.

Students: You must be a full-time student in order to qualify. You must provide the following to qualify for student rates (this applies for those registering in advance as well as at the conference:

- Your 2004 ACM student membership number.
OR
- The name and confirmation number of an advisor, who is already registered for SIGGRAPH 2004, who can verify your student status.

Failure to provide valid information will result in you being charged the non-member rate. For membership and student verification inquiries, please contact the SIGGRAPH 2004 registration center: registration@siggraph.org

Note: Your badge will include your name, organization, city, state, and country as indicated on your registration form.

Part 2 Registration Category

Refer to page 42 for programs, activities, and conference documentation included with each registration category. Register for one category only.

Part 3 Merchandise

All SIGGRAPH 2004 technical materials and merchandise must be picked up at the conference at the Merchandise Pickup Center. No refunds will be given for items that are not claimed at the conference, nor will unclaimed items be shipped after the conference.

Part 4 Electronic Theater Ticket Purchase

One Electronic Theater ticket is included with Full Conference and Conference Select registrations. Registrants in any category can purchase one additional ticket. Please rank your preference, as tickets are issued on a first-come, first-served basis. No refunds. If you do not receive your first ticket choice, a limited number of tickets will be available for exchange at SIGGRAPH 2004 at the Ticket Exchange Counter in the registration area.

Part 5 Credential Mailing

If you would like to receive your badge in advance of the conference via express carrier, the following instructions apply:

- Select and include payment for the appropriate credential mailing option on the registration form.
- Your registration and payment must be postmarked by Friday, 2 July.
- Student and member status must be fully verified with ALL documentation by Friday, 2 July.
- Your registration must be paid in full.
- You must provide us with a street address as express carriers do not deliver to P.O. boxes.

If the above instructions are followed, your badge will be mailed two-day service the week of 26 July.

Credential Mailing Policies

- All prices are per person.
- SIGGRAPH 2004 is not responsible for lost credentials for which we have a carrier receipt that shows the package was received.
- Should your credentials be lost prior to arriving at the conference or should you forget to bring them, you will need to repay your registration fee and you will NOT receive a refund.

Part 6 Processing Fee

This fee must be paid in full before your registration credentials can be released.

Part 7 Payment Information

- Verify that subtotals add up correctly, and enclose payment.
- Checks and money orders (\$US only) should be made payable to SIGGRAPH 2004.
- Credit card payments must include a signature.
- Purchase orders are NOT accepted as payment.
- Forms will not be processed without accompanying payment in full.
- Do not send more than one registration form or it may result in duplicate billing.

Part 8 Special Requirements



SIGGRAPH 2004 wants you to enjoy and experience the conference to its fullest. Some special requirements may take significant time to arrange. To assist SIGGRAPH 2004 in accommodating your needs, please notify us by 21 July. Describe your needs in the space provided below.

A Note About Faxing: We strongly recommend faxing your form well in advance of the Friday, 2 July deadline. Fax volume increases as the deadline approaches, and SIGGRAPH 2004 is NOT responsible for faxes not received due to busy telephone lines. Keep a copy of your fax transmission report to verify that your fax was transmitted successfully by the deadline in the event of a problem.

Important Dates

Friday, 2 July

Advance Early Registration Deadline

Registration forms must be postmarked (and full payment included) on or before this date in order to be eligible for advance early registration fees and to receive any mailed credentials.

Wednesday, 21 July

Advance Late Registration Fee Deadline

Registration forms must be postmarked (and full payment included) on or before this date in order to be eligible for advance late registration fees.

Refund Deadline

Cancellation requests for refunds must be made in writing and postmarked on or before Wednesday, 21 July. No refunds will be issued after this date. There is a refund processing fee of \$US 75. Exhibits Plus registrations are not refundable.

Substitutions

Substitutions must be made in writing before Wednesday, 21 July in order to be processed in advance. Mail or email requests to SIGGRAPH 2004 Registration Management at the address below. In order to request a substitution at SIGGRAPH 2004, you must present, at the special assistance desk, a written request on company letterhead in addition to any previously mailed meeting credentials.

For more information, contact:

SIGGRAPH 2004
Registration Management
11212 Waples Mill Road, Suite 104
Fairfax, Virginia 22030
+1.703.449.6418
+1.703.631.6288 fax
registration@siggraph.org

For ACM SIGGRAPH Membership

Information, contact:

ACM
+1.212.626.0500
+1.212.944.1318 fax
acmhelp@acm.org

Send form to SIGGRAPH 2004 as follows:

Mail form and payment to:

SIGGRAPH 2004
P.O. Box 809114
Chicago, Illinois 60680-9114 USA

or

Fax the registration form to:

+1.703.631.6288

or

Register online:

www.siggraph.org/s2004/registration



SIGGRAPH2004

ACM Student Research Competition

Wednesday, 11 August

Sponsored by Microsoft Research, the ACM Student Research Competition is an internationally recognized opportunity for undergraduate and graduate researchers to:

- Share research results
- Exchange ideas and gain new insights
- Meet and talk with academic and industry luminaries
- Understand the possible, practical applications of their research
- Perfect their communications skills

Finalists will be selected to present a talk on Wednesday, 11 August, 3:45 - 5:30 pm, at SIGGRAPH 2004.

For more detailed information:

www.siggraph.org/s2004/conference/posters

Call for Volunteers

ACM SIGGRAPH relies heavily on volunteers to plan and produce the premier international conference on computer graphics and interactive techniques. Volunteer opportunities for this vibrant event include: future conference chairs, SIGGRAPH 2005 subcommittee members. SIGGRAPH 2006 program chairs, and additional on-site volunteers for most years. Explore how you can contribute your ideas, energy, and expertise at: www.siggraph.org/volunteering

Co-Located Events

The annual SIGGRAPH conference is expanding the number and breadth of co-located workshops and small conferences. Two events are co-located with SIGGRAPH 2004:

GP²: Workshop on General Purpose Computing on Graphics Processors
7 - 8 August 2004
Wilshire Grand Hotel
Los Angeles, California

Talks, panels, and poster presentations by leading researchers and practitioners from academia, research labs, and industry on several issues, including:

- Could GPUs become useful co-processors for a wide variety of applications?
- What are their algorithmic and architectural niches and can they be broadened?
- Programmability, language and compiler support, and software environments.
- Future technology trends that might lead to more widespread use of GPUs.

More information and registration:
www.cs.unc.edu/Events/Conferences/GP2/

Future Conference Dates

SIGGRAPH 2005
31 July - 4 August 2005
Los Angeles, California

First Symposium on Applied Perception in Graphics and Visualization
7 - 8 August 2004
Wilshire Grand Hotel
Los Angeles, California

A forum for wider exchange of ideas and information between members of the graphics and visualization communities who are developing more effective visual, auditory, and/or haptic representation, and members of the vision-sciences community who are using computer graphics to investigate fundamental perception processes.

More information and registration:
www.graphics.umn.edu/apgv04/

Inquiries about co-locating events with the annual SIGGRAPH conference should be directed to:

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colocate@siggraph.org



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