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SIGGRAPH Asia to debut in Singapore next year

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It was announced that ACM SIGGRAPH (Association for Computing Machinery's Special Interest Group on Computer Graphics) is venturing into Asia with SIGGRAPH Asia 2008, a conference to be held in Singapore from December 10-13, 2008. Experts from Asia and other parts of the world will attend the conference and exhibition on computer graphics.

SIGGRAPH's decision to come to Asia underlies the strong growth of the digital media market in Asia.

SIGGRAPH Asia 2008 will feature a wide spectrum of anchor programs designed to appeal to academics, professionals, artists, animators and students. The conference and exhibition will feature high-quality and original research papers, a computer animation festival and hands-on courses and tutorials in the latest computer graphics techniques. Other highlights include a digital art gallery, an educators' program, a trade exhibition and a career fair.

According to event manager Koelnmesse, 6,000 attendees are estimated to visit the trade exhibition, while nearly a thousand delegates are expected to sign up for the conference.

"We are very excited about SIGGRAPH Asia 2008. There has been a huge increase in the amount of high quality technical and creative work from Asia and the event will be the perfect venue to showcase them. We look forward to an intellectual and creative exchange between the established SIGGRAPH conference in the United States and this Asian edition," said Scott Owen, President, ACM SIGGRAPH.

The ACM SIGGRAPH Executive Committee has already chosen Yokohama, Japan to be the host of SIGGRAPH Asia 2009, with Masa Inakage named as the Full Conference Chair.

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