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SIGGRAPH Spotlight: Episode 71 – Visions for the Future of Computer Graphics

Tune in to the latest episode of SIGGRAPH Spotlight, recorded live from SIGGRAPH 2023 in Los Angeles. This conversation between SIGGRAPH 2024 Conference Chair Andrés Burbano and four other members of the SIGGRAPH 2024 committee opens a dialogue regarding the ideal future of computer graphics and interactive techniques as it relates to SIGGRAPH.

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Behind the Scenes: The Birth and Demise of the Arête in 'Guardians of the Galaxy'

Responsible for 671 shots in "Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 3", contributions from Wētā FX's have been widely recognized and showcased in various industry presentations and talks. Many of these discussions are especially related to the creation and destruction of the Arête, a large spaceship covered in rubies. First introduced as a towering skyscraper on Counter-Earth, the Arête became a significant visual aspect of the film. Continue reading to gather insights from Wētā FX team member Jason Galeon and learn about the challenges and processes of bringing the Arête to life.

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Announcements

Call for New ACM SIGGRAPH Executive Committee Directors

Interested in having a meaningful impact within the ACM SIGGRAPH community? In 2024, ACM SIGGRAPH members will elect three new Directors of the Executive Committee. You can find an initial description of the duties of directors in Section I of the ACM SIGGRAPH Policy Guidelines.

If you would like more information, or if you already know that you are interested, please contact Nominations Committee Chair Thierry Frey.

Winter Symposium On Innovation Research & Experiences in Education (SOIREE)

The third annual Symposium On Innovation Research & Experiences in Education, sponsored by the ACM SIGGRAPH Education Committee, will take place online Friday, 26 January 2024. Click here for information on participating and email any questions you may have to Nick Jushchyshyn.

Call for ACM SIGGRAPH Awards Committee Chair

The ACM SIGGRAPH community is currently recruiting for an Awards Committee Chair. This chair will join the ranks of the standing committee chairs who assist the Executive Committee in nurturing and supporting the community of computer graphics researchers and practitioners. Click here for more information on the position or contact Nominations Committee Chair Thierry Frey if you are interested.

IEEE Computer Graphics & Animation Outstanding Guest Editor Award

IEEE Computer Graphics & Animation (CG&A) gives an Outstanding Guest Editor Award for extraordinary contributions to the magazine. This year, the award was given to three awardees for their incredible work on the July and August CG&A Special Issue celebrating 50 years of ACM SIGGRAPH Conferences. ACM SIGGRAPH congratulates the following members for their outstanding contributions to the Special Issue:

Chris Johnson
Scientific Computing and Imaging Institute, University of Utah

Dave Kasik
Boeing

Mary Whitton
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

ACM Monthly Member Profile: Julián Calderón

Meet Julián Calderón, a multimedia engineering graduate from the Universidad Militar Nueva Granada in Bogotá, Colombia. As a 3D character animator and current Chair of Bogotá's ACM SIGGRAPH Chapter, Julián is also actively studying for his Master of Fine Arts with an emphasis in 3D Animation at the Academy of Art University in San Francisco, California. He was first introduced to ACM SIGGRAPH through a chapter event hosted at his university where he was able to interact with animators at Disney, Pixar, and DreamWorks. Inspired by those who made some of his favorite movies, Julián has continued to remember his first SIGGRAPH experience as one of his all-time favorites.

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- **6 - 8 December 2023 -** ICAT-EGVE 2023
- **12-15 December 2023 -** SIGGRAPH Asia 2023 – REGISTER NOW
- **28 July - 1 August 2024 -** SIGGRAPH 2024 - WEBSITE NOW LIVE