



ACM SIGGRAPH Interactions

July 2025 Edition

The July edition of ACM SIGGRAPH Interactions spotlights the SIGGRAPH 2025 keynote lineup, including talks on AI in art, exoplanet storytelling, and the future of media with AI. It also features the new Rainbow Affinity Group, open Executive Committee elections, leadership opportunities, fresh Member Profiles, and submission calls for SIGGRAPH Asia 2025.



SIGGRAPH 2025 Vancouver+ 10-14 August

Get to Know the SIGGRAPH 2025 Keynotes

Get ready for thought-provoking insights from industry pioneers who are shaping the future of technology, storytelling, and creativity.



Dr. Aaron Hertzmann



Dr. Anjali Tripathi



Mike Haley



Maurice Patel



Nikola Todorovic

Can Computers Create Art?

Monday, 11 August | 9:00 AM PDT

Dr. Aaron Hertzmann's SIGGRAPH 2025 keynote explores how AI-generated art compares to past technological shifts like photography and computer graphics, arguing that while AI will transform artistic practices, it won't replace human creators. He challenges the notion of algorithms as artists, emphasizing that art remains a deeply human and social phenomenon.

Future Earth: Storytelling From Space and the Exoplanet Revolution

Tuesday, 12 August | 9:00 AM PDT

Dr. Anjali Tripathi, astrophysicist and NASA's first Exoplanet Science Ambassador, will take you on a journey through the groundbreaking search for life beyond Earth — and how these discoveries are transforming the way we tell stories about our planet and the universe. Join Dr. Tripathi live for an unforgettable exploration of science, technology, and imagination.

Sponsored Keynote by Autodesk: Redefining Creativity: The Future of Media & Entertainment With AI

Tuesday, 12 August | 2:15 PM PDT

Discover how AI is unlocking new possibilities in visual effects, animation, and games. Autodesk leaders Mike Haley, Maurice Patel, and Wonder Dynamics' Nikola Todorovic will share how AI-powered tools are empowering creators, expanding access, and shaping the future of media.

More keynotes to be announced soon.

**Learn
More**

Introducing the ACM SIGGRAPH Rainbow Affinity Group

Established in May 2025, the ACM SIGGRAPH Rainbow Affinity Group is dedicated to connecting, supporting, and empowering LGBTQ+ individuals across the computer graphics and interactive techniques community. What began as informal gatherings in 2002 has grown into a vibrant, year-round initiative that offers mentorship, professional development, networking, and social opportunities. The group creates inclusive spaces both at the annual SIGGRAPH conference and throughout the year, fostering a sense of belonging for students, early-career professionals, and seasoned members alike.

The Rainbow Affinity Group is led by Chair Jeffrey Weekley, alongside committee members AJ Christensen and Victor Zordan.

This year, the group will host a **Rainbow Meetup session at SIGGRAPH 2025**, taking place Monday, 11 August at 5:00 PM PT. This is a welcoming space for LGBTQIA+ attendees and allies to connect, celebrate identity, and help shape the future of queer community at SIGGRAPH.

**Read
More**

ACM SIGGRAPH 365 Community Showcase at SIGGRAPH 2025



Discover the SIGGRAPH community beyond technical sessions through the **ACM SIGGRAPH 365 Community Showcase**, a curated program celebrating the people and initiatives that shape SIGGRAPH year-round. From Professional Chapters meetups and Pioneers events to SIGGRAPH for Beginners, resume and reel reviews, and Digital Arts Community sessions, these offerings connect you to SIGGRAPH's broader network.

Browse the **conference schedule** to explore highlights like the Pioneers Featured Speaker special film event, SIGGRAPH Thesis Fast Forward, Chapters meetups, the Arty Party for All, and the Women of SIGGRAPH Conversations (WOSC) Breakfast Mixer, a Birds of a

Feather event focused on resilience.

Visit the **ACM SIGGRAPH Village booth** throughout conference week to meet the leaders of the SIGGRAPH Executive Committee and Standing Committees, explore year-round programming, and learn how to participate in the Executive Committee elections.

2025 ACM SIGGRAPH Executive Committee Election: Cast Your Vote

The 2025 ACM SIGGRAPH Executive Committee election has commenced with the following candidates:

DIRECTOR A:	DIRECTOR B:	ACM SIGGRAPH Treasurer:
Baoquan Chen, Peking University	Kalina Borkiewicz, University of Utah	Jenny Dana
Hongbo Fu, Hong Kong University of Science & Technology	Kenny Mitchell, Walt Disney Animation Studios	Corinne Price
Niloy Mitra, University College London	Patricia Beckmann, Bunsella Studios and Irvine Valley College School of Art	

If you're a professional member of ACM SIGGRAPH in good standing as of Monday, 16 June 2025, you're eligible to vote. **Eligible voters should have received an email from ACM with instructions on how to cast their vote securely online.**

Learn more about the candidates and cast your vote by Friday, 15 August. For questions or voting issues, please contact ACM Member Services at acmhelp@acm.org.

**Meet the
Candidates**

**This Year's
Lineup**

Unveil an electrifying mix of boundary-pushing sessions, visionary research, and jaw-dropping breakthroughs in computer graphics and interactive tech.

Lead the Future of SIGGRAPH — Chair Positions Available

Are you ready to shape the future of computer graphics and interactive techniques? SIGGRAPH is now accepting applications for three Chair positions.

- **2028 Conference Chair**
- **Governance Advisory Board Chair**
- **Computer Animation Festival Advisory Board Chair**

This is your opportunity to collaborate with an incredible community of innovators and leave your mark on the industry.

Lead. Inspire. Create. Apply today!

ACM SIGGRAPH Membership Profiles Features

Meet our Members



We are excited to share the July edition of ACM SIGGRAPH Member Profiles. This series highlights the incredible individuals who make up our community, showcasing their achievements, passions, and contributions to computer graphics and interactive techniques.

Dive into the stories and celebrate the diversity and talent of these three member spotlights:

- **Kenny Mitchell**
- **Michael Wahrman**
- **Frank Foster**

If you are interested in nominating an ACM SIGGRAPH Member for a profile, or would like to provide your own, submit your name today by emailing membership-chair@siggraph.org.

View Member Profiles



Your Moment to Shine is Now – Submit Your Best Work to SIGGRAPH Asia!

Push the boundaries of Computer Graphics, AI, Animation, XR, and beyond. Take the global stage in Hong Kong this December and present your work at Asia's premier CG event. Explore our programs and mark your calendars – submission deadlines are approaching. Don't miss your chance to shape the future as part of the **Generative Renaissance**.

[Submit Now](#)

Start planning for your next travel destination!

EXPLORE HONG KONG

WHILE YOU ARE AT SIGGRAPH ASIA 2025

[Click Here](#)



Upcoming ACM SIGGRAPH Events

- 10 - 14 August 2025 in Vancouver, BC - SIGGRAPH 2025 - [Register Now!](#)
- 15 - 18 December 2025 in Hong Kong - SIGGRAPH Asia 2025
- 19 - 23 July 2026 in Los Angeles, California - SIGGRAPH 2026
- 8 - 12 August 2027 in Anaheim, California - SIGGRAPH 2027

ACM SIGGRAPH | [Website](#)





Try email marketing for free today!