



Academy of Interactive Entertainment

Canberra Campus Christmas Newsletter 2007

Season's Greetings from everyone at AIE!

Everyone at AIE wishes you Season's Greetings and hope you have a good break over the next few weeks. Both Canberra and Melbourne campuses are closing for 2 weeks from Friday 21st December until Monday 7th January 2008.

If 2007 was anything to go by, 2008 is going to rock! (guitar hero, here we come....).

If for any reason you need to get in contact with AIE over the break, you can do so by sending an email to: enquiries@aie.act.edu.au or leaving a message on the Canberra Campus main phone (02) 6162 5131 or Melbourne phone (03) 9820 8201. If it is an emergency, you can get in contact with our CEO, Ian Gibson, on 0422 480 351.



Scholarships for study in 2008 still open!

AIE Canberra is excited about the scholarships on offer for students planning on studying in 2008. The following scholarships are available:

- **Women in Games Scholarship:** One scholarship of up to \$2000 is available to women studying 3D animation or games programming.
- **BigWorld Games Programming Scholarship:** BigWorld has generously established three scholarships of \$4000 to assist games programming students complete year two of the Advanced Diploma of Professional Games Development (Software Development).
- **ScreenACT Games Programming Scholarship:** Two scholarships of up to \$1400 are available to assist first-year games programming students with their Certificate IV in IT (Games Programming) studies.
- **AIE Indigenous Student Scholarship:** One scholarship of up to \$4000 is available to any Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander student who is studying in any of AIE Canberra's full time Certificate IV or Advanced Diploma courses.
- **Dream & Achieve Scholarship:** Two scholarships of \$3000 are available for a male and female applicant from the Eurobodalla Shire area for the Certificate IV in Screen (3D Animation).



Whilst the applications officially close tomorrow- 21st December - If you get your application in before we return from the break (7th January 2008), we will still accept it. [The application form is here.](#)

ACT Government funding for Certificate III in IT (Game Development)

The ACT Department of Education and Training is funding this course for Australian citizens or permanent residents who live and/or work in the ACT and fall into a number of categories.

The Certificate III in IT (Game Development) is designed to introduce students to the many career opportunities available for programmers in games, interactivity and creative industries. Modules of study introduce students to games design, programming and development.



This course of study gives participants an understanding of skills and techniques necessary to create fun, innovative games.

There are full-time and flexible opportunities to study this six month course which runs for 400 hours over 20 weeks. Student that complete this course can go onto the Certificate IV and Advanced Diploma of Professional Game Development.

Due to the ACT Government funding, the course cost to eligible students is \$350. If you are not sure if you are eligible or would like to find out more, please call us on (02) 6162 5131 or email enquiries@aie.act.edu.au

Short Courses in January Holidays



We are offering a range of short courses over the January 2008 holiday period. There are three different programs for ages 7 to 9, ages 10 to 14, and ages 15 and up.

A number of brand new courses are running including *To the Stars and Beyond*, *Speed Machines*, *Race Against Time* and one we're particularly excited about, *Introduction to Robotics*! We still have the popular favourites including *Robot Zoo*, *Make the Game* and *Making Magic in Movies*.

To find out more visit our short course page on the AIE website:

http://www.aie.act.edu.au/courses/short_courses.php

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All you have to do is forward this email using the [Forward to a friend](#) link and both of you go into the draw to win! The more friends you forward this to, the more entries you get!

The prize will be drawn on Friday 11th January 2008 and posted on our website and next newsletter.

2008 Enrolments Open Now

AIE is now taking applications for full time courses starting in February 2008.

[Click here](#) for more information on the Certificate IV in Information Technology (Games Programming) course.

[Click here](#) for information on the Certificate IV in Screen (3D Animation for Games and Film) course.

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