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Welcome to the final AIE Newsletter for 2007. We've had a great year but there are still so many things happening. We're still on a high after winning the Australian Small Training Provider of the Year!



This month is all about making sure our grads get the best head-start we can give them into the booming games and 3d animation industries. It's a great time to be graduating!

2008 AIE Scholarships Announced

We're really excited about the range of scholarships on offer for students studying with us in 2008. There are a range on offer including:

- Women in Games Scholarship
- Bigworld Games Programming Scholarship
- AIE Indigenous Student Scholarship
- Dream & Achieve Scholarship



To find out more, get in touch (contact details at the bottom) or [download the information pack from our website](#).

The Sony Foundation Australia Interactive Technology Scholarship was awarded on 17th November at the 2007 Game Connect: Asia Pacific Conference in Melbourne. Congratulations to Marie and Alex who each won \$6000 towards their second year studies.

AIE named Australian Small Training Provider of the Year!



AIE was named as the Australian Small Training Provider of the Year at the Australian Training Awards, held by the Department of Education, Science and Training in Hobart on Thursday 8th November. It was our third nomination for the national awards and sees AIE as the first ACT training organisation to be a national winner in the award's history.

"It is fantastic recognition for the staff and students at AIE, our education partners CIT and the ACT as a whole. The award is also a celebration of the importance of the creative digital media industries to Australia's future and acknowledges the great careers that are possible in these areas" said AIE Chief Executive Officer, Mr Ian Gibson.

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.

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

Games Trivia Night a Big Success

Over 150 people turned up for the Games Trivia Night held at the Holy Grail in Civic, Canberra. There was a big presence from sponsors AIE and the reigning champs, 2K Australia: producers of smash hit titles such as Bioshock, Freedom Force and Tribes:Vengeance.

2K Australia didn't make the finals but had a great time. The team called M.A.C.E were finally awarded the top prize after seven tie-breaking questions! The top three teams won copies of Bioshock for Xbox 360 and PC Collector's editions, Gift Vouchers for JB HiFi, and a range of other games. Most attendees won t-shirts, key-rings and beer prizes through the night through their in-depth games trivia knowledge.

See you there next year!

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For more information about anything in our newsletter or our courses please get in touch with me or our Student Liaison, Myles Peterson, on 02 6162 5131 or email enquiries@aie.act.edu.au

AIE will be closed for two weeks from Friday 21st December and returning 7th January 2008.

I would like to wish you all a great Christmas, Fantastic New Year and hope to catch up with you in the near future.

Cheers,

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