



## Academy of Interactive Entertainment

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Hi!

As the chill of winter sets in the activity at the three AIE campuses is heating up. With a game design and video game competition on offer, as well as upcoming industry experience days and holiday courses it may well be time to brave the cold and trot down to your local AIE and see what it's all about (or snuggle up to your computer with a hot chocolate and let the web do the walking).

All campuses are busy enrolling for the mid year intake but there is still time to start your career in this great industry by joining one of our full time Advanced Diploma courses - you could be finished and into a job by the end of next year! We also offer short courses for those who are interested but need to find out more before taking the plunge.

A final word to all the snow bunnies out there: lets hope for a bumper season!

Cheers!

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### 'GameFace' Video Game Design Competition

It's not too late to create your entry for GameFace, the free to enter video game design comp, with heaps of cool prizes from Nintendo, StormFX, Atari and iDEF. Entries are accepted until 13 July. For further info, visit our [GameFace page](#) or contact [Melbourne Campus](#)



### Last Chance for Mid Year Entry

Time is running out to get your applications in for the Midyear intake of our Advanced Diploma courses:

[Advanced Diploma of Professional Game Development \(Art\) - first year](#)

[Advanced Diploma of Professional Game Development \(Software Development\) - first year](#)

[Advanced Diploma of Screen and Media - first year](#)

These [VET FEE-HELP](#) approved courses run an accelerated first year enabling students to commence their second, and final year in February 2010.



A new round of [short courses](#) also start in July/August. These short courses are a great way to explore the possibilities that a career in 3D and interactive entertainment can offer.

To talk to us about the best training option to suit your needs and schedule [contact your nearest campus](#).

### Melbourne International Animation Festival (MIAF)



This week sees MIAF on at acmi with AIE pleased to be sponsoring the event. Now that all the acronyms are out of the way, see if you can make it along to see some awesome animations from across the globe.

On Tuesday our very own Jonathan Strugnell spoke about Narrative in the Age of Modern Animation, and with staff and students eager to attend sessions all week you're sure to run into one of us - don't be shy, say g'day!

### Get Started in Games, Film and 3D

Wanting to make a start on your 3D career, but not ready to commit to full time study? Just wanting to have a bit of a go?

Melbourne is offering the [Cert III in Media \(3D Animation\)](#) and Sydney and Canberra are offering the [Certificate II courses](#) again in semester 2.

These are introductory courses which require no prior knowledge of 3D animation or games programming

[Melbourne](#) and [Canberra](#) courses start July and [Sydney's](#) in August so don't miss out! For more information on the Certificate courses have a look at the [courses](#) page on our website, alternatively [contact your closest campus](#).



### Sydney AIE @ Supanova Pop Culture Expo



AIE Sydney is excited to be a main exhibitor at the upcoming Supanova pop culture expo at Olympic Park.

Supanova will feature celebrity guests, tournaments, special events, exclusive screenings, interactive competitions, product launches and much much more!

Supnova runs this weekend from 10am till 6pm Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th June, we hope to see you there.

### July School Holiday Courses @ AIE



The Winter school break will see holiday programs at **all AIE campuses**.

Each campus is offering a selection of 2 days courses in game development, 3D animation, character creation and Special FX.

For further information have a look at the [Holiday Courses](#) section of our website.

*"The holiday courses are fabulous, my son loves them and can't*

*wait for the next one!" - Karen Lewis*

### Freeplay returns to Melbourne



One of Australia's most exciting independent games festival, [Freeplay](#), will take place in Melbourne at The State Library of Victoria on Friday, August 14th and Saturday, August 15th, and AIE is pleased to be involved again this year.

The festival event focuses on the creative and artistic side of making games, delivering a varied lecture and workshop program, and engaging with regional and interstate developers, educators, and industry practitioners in an environment designed to stimulate debate, foster new ideas, allow creative exploration, and drive discussions and industry development. Further info about the schedule will be available in the next newsletter.

### AIE Industry Experience Days - Canberra & Sydney

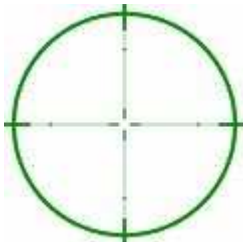


The Sydney and Canberra campuses will both be holding Industry Experience days on Wednesday the 15th July.

This is an opportunity for year 11 and 12 students to get hands on experience with 3D animation and programming from the talented staff at AIE, as well as insight into the various industries that our courses feed into which includes games, film and simulation.

Register for the day by emailing [Sydney](#) or [Canberra](#)

### AIE Canberra Gaming Championship



Think you can hold your own as a gamer? AIE Canberra is holding a competitive gaming competition this Saturday 27th June from 2:00pm. Prizes are on offer for the winners. Interested? Check out the details [here](#).

### Verve SpArta Awards

For the second year running, AIE was a finalist in the Verva SpArta awards in the category of Vocational Training Provider of the Year - Sports & Recreation, Art & Culture. Head of School Bruce Jenkins and Animation teacher Jonathan Strugnell attended the awards night which celebrated both trainees and trainers. Congratulations to all the winners on the night.

### We've gone all twittery



Want to know what your local campus is up to? You can follow [Melbourne](#) (AIEMelb), [Sydney](#) (aiesydney) or [Canberra](#) (aiecan). Get the skinny on what's going on day to day about the campuses and share your tweets with us!

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