9:00 – 9:50 2012 Best Paper Award Plenary: Brian Greenspan

Not in Kansas Anymore: Designing an Abducted Reality Game

Brian Greenspan

10:00 – 10:50 Art @ the Edge

Authorship, Intention, Ambiguity, and Interpretation in Artgames

Felan Parker

The Techno-Poetic Edge of Games

Isaac Lenhart

11:00 – 12:15 Variegated Edges

Playful Messiness: An iPad Game Case Study

Rachel Muehrer and Jennifer Jenson

The Naked Dungeon: Psychogeography and Situationist Practice in Warren Robinett's Adventure

Skot Deeming

A Week in the Life of a Production Intern or How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love Agile Development

David Holmes

13:00 – 13:50 "Experimental" Edgey Research

Gaming, Social Media and Typical Dreams

Jayne Gackenbach

On the Edge of Fear: Can MMORPG's Help in the Treatment of Anxiety Disorders?

Sonja Sapach

14:00 – 14:50 International Edges: Russia & Brazil, Players & Developers

Intersubjectivity in an MMOG developing process: dialogs between developers and players

George de Souza Alves

Redrawing boundaries, retracing influences: Russia as a global gaming centre

Cat Goodfellow

15:00 – 15:50 Data @ the Edge

Worlds of Data: @ the Edge of Video Games and Big Data

Jeremy Leipert

The core vs. casual battle over metrics-driven design

Jennifer Whitson

16:00 – 16:50 Caution: Shark Edges!

IGDA'S Quality of Life Survey 2009: Working @ the Edge

Marie-Josée Legault and Johanna Weststar

Corporate responsibility: at the edge of the gaming industry?

Thorsten Busch

17:00 – 18:30 Annual General Meeting & Reception





10:00 - 10:50

'Other' Edges

DIY From the Margins: Gaming, Ability, and Inclusive Design

Sara Grimes and Alison Harvey

Nervous Objects: Amnesia: The Dark Descent and Queer Affect

Darren Monteith

11:00 – 12:15 Envisioning Edges

L'empathie dans les jeux video

Annick Bédard

Individuals of Play

Adam Van Sertima

Beyond Pixels and Polygons: The Visible Edge of Technological Innovation

Dominic Arsenault and Pierre-Marc Côté

13:00 - 13:50

Simulation and its Contents

Police on the Scene – Building a First Person Shooter to Train for both Emotional Intelligence and Tactical Awareness

Jerremie Clyde

Grim Fate: Analyzing a Climate Change Simulation Game

David Waddington

14:00 - 14:50 Mapping Edges

Living in the edge, or the mapping situation: the illusion of symbiosis and the six types of mapping in video game interface design

Carl Therrien

Driving Emotional Involvement in Sports Games: a Case Study in Knowledge-Based Procedural Cinematography

Steve DiPaola, Michael Nixon, Jim Bizzocchi, and Natalie Funk

15:00 - 15:50

Parallel Cognition

New territory in game studies: "simple games for cognitive identification"

Dragana Martinovic, Yuqi Yang, Atinuke Adeyemi, and Robert Whent

Youth Civic Engagement: Real Life Learning through Virtual Games Environments

Kathy Sanford, Tim Hopper, and Sarah Bonsor Kurki

16:00 - 16:50

Serious Wins

Games You Can't Win

Dana Ruggiero, Katrin Becker, and Darren Garside

Contre-carré, du jeu sérieux au jeu militant: Réflexion sur l'état actuel du jeu militant et son avenir

Pascal Nataf



9:00 – 9:50 2012 Best Paper Award Plenary: William Robinson

On the Necessity of Player Competency

William Robinson

10:00 – 10:50 Playful Edges

Sometimes conquering the world is not actually conquering the world: Player frames and the meaning of ethical decisions in video games

Kevin Schut

Confronting Choice in Bioware's Videogames

Melanie McBride

11:00 – 12:15 Panel 1: Critical Ludology

Increasing definition: towards the player's role in defining games

Matthew Bouchard

Conceptual space: Understanding game world navigation with metaphor theory

Matthew Wells

A conceptual framework for peer learning in first-person shooters

Andy Keenan

Supporting narrative and play with educational augmented reality games

Gabby Resch

13:00 – 13:50 iAvatar

De l'avatar à l'identité numérique et ou réelle du joueur sur interfaces (Ipad et Android) : entre idéologie et utopie

Xaviar Manga

Me, Myself, and I(nterface): The Avatar Affordances Framework

Victoria McArthur

14:00 – 14:50 From Board to Windows

A History of Trade Windows: Interface Capitalism and Emergent Narratives in Massive Multiplayer Online Games

Adam Benn

Between Analog and Digital: Comparing Video and Board Games

Jonathan Lee

15:00 – 15:50 Meta Edges

Timely Conversations: What Middle-State Publishing Can Offer Games Studies

Steve Wilcox

Simulation and its Discontents: Rethinking Model Based Approaches to Game Studies

David Murphy

16:00 – 17:15 Panel 2: Now in 3D: Diverse Debates and Divisions within Game Studies

Organizer: Kelly Bergstrom

Rhetoric, Procedurality, and Game Studies: Jets vs. Sharks?

Christopher Paul

Massive Meltdown: Killing Emergent Gameplay through Gamification

Mark Chen

Fixing a reality that isn't broken: women's participation in video game communities, industry, and beyond

Florence Chee and Kelly Bergstrom

How to regulate "toxic gamer culture"? Online gaming platforms and corporate responsibility

Thorsten Busch



10:00 – 10:50 Curating Videogame Art

Paris Plays Along: Curating a major exhibition on contemporary game culture

Lynn Hughes, Cindy Poremba, and Heather Kelly

Vectors: Charting Contemporary Game Art Practices Through the Vector Game Art Festival

Christine Kim and Skot Deeming

13:00 – 13:50 Journeying on the Edge

Journey: Edge between film and games

Charlotte Bonmati-Mullins

Interpellation after the Apocalypse: Communication, Community, and Identity in Journey

Meghan Blythe Adams

14:20 - 15:50 Odd Edges

Citizen Player: Reimagining players as acknowledged legislators of the game world

Jon Saklofske

Pachinko: A Game Studies Perspective Geoffrey Rockwell and Keiji Amano

The Edge of Game Design: Rethinking Meritocracy

Chris Paul



17:00 - 18:30 FemShep: Crowdsourcing a Female Hero in BioWare's Mass Effect

Room TBD Presented jointly with Canadian Society for Digital Humanities / Société canadienne des humanités numériques

> Organizer: Sean Gouglas Chair: Lynne Siemens

FemShep: An Introduction

Sean Gouglas

Media Effect: Media Coverage of the Facebook Contest

Domini Gee and Maren Wilson

The Facebook Effect: The Contest and Public Opinion on FemShep

Geoffrey Rockwell and Andrea Budac

Missed Connections: The Impact of the Facebook Survey on FemShep's True Believers

Shannon Lucky, Joyce Yu, and Atefeh Mohseni

Conclusion: What does Crowdsourcing a Female Hero tell us about Gaming and Gaming Culture?

Jennifer Jenson

Joint Sessions: Bob Wright Centre • Wednesday, June

15:30 – 17:15 Extra-Cinematic Texts

Room B117 Presented jointly with the Canadian Communication Association / Association canadienne de communication

The DVD and the Tourist Gaze: Knowledge, Access, and the Added Value of Making-of Documentaries

David Richler

Les Series web de diction. Quand l'internaute se met en scène

Jean Chateauvert

Audio Commentary Paratexts in Digital Games

Felan Parker

18:00 - 19:30 Martin Walsh Memorial Lecture

Room B150 Presented jointly with Film Studies Association of Canada / Association canadienne d'études cinématographiques

Exemplarity and Film

Silvestra Mariniello

19:30 Reception

Lobby Presented jointly with Film Studies Association of Canada / Association canadienne d'études cinématographiques

