



Trigger Happy

Game summit takes on Vancouver

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Given that Vancouver is one of the major centres, worldwide, for video-game development, it makes sense for the city to start hosting international events. Hell, Vancouver is certainly on par with Montreal, which stages the annual Montreal International Game Summit, and our city is also just as good as Austin, San Francisco, and Los Angeles.

The inaugural Vancouver International Game Summit runs May 3 and 4, at the Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre. There are three programs for attendees, with panels and lectures focusing on management, technology, and design.

Speakers include representatives from local educational institutions and most major Vancouver developers, including Action Pants, Electronic Arts, Gas Powered Games, Hothead Games, Next Level Games, Propaganda Games, Radical Entertainment, Relic Entertainment, and Threewave Software.

Keynote speeches are being delivered by EA Canada senior vice-president and group general manager Rory Armes, and Alexander Seropian, founder of Wideload Games and Bungie Studios, and one of the creators of Halo.

Registration is open to the public and costs \$425 (\$200 for students), www.rebootconference.com/games2007/ or at the conference.