

HANDS-ON WORKSHOPS

All hands-on workshops will be held at DeVos Place. The fee is \$40 per workshop. Hands-on workshop registration is available only online at www.macul.org.

Thursday MAC Workshops

8:00 to 10:00 AM

~~Podcasts and iPod Applications for Educators (T08C) - CANCELLED~~

Mary Waker, Director, Educational Technology Center, Wayne State University

10:30 AM to 12:30 PM

iLife '09 ~ An Overview of a Sweet Suite of Programs! (T10C)

David Tchozewski, Director of Information Technology, Jenison Public Schools

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Apple's iLife '09 suite of programs includes iPhoto, iMovie, iDVD, iWeb, and GarageBand. Attend this hands-on session for a practical overview of these highly integrated, easy-to-use programs. Bring a flash drive with your own photos and videos.

(Cross Platform)

1:00 to 3:00 PM

Differentiated Instruction and Technology: Making It Work! (T01C)

Sally Irons, Teacher, Niles Community Schools, and Paula Donner, Teacher, River Valley Schools

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By integrating technology into their curriculum, teachers can begin to differentiate instruction to reach a variety of learners. This session will cover how to determine learning and teaching styles and how to use different technologies, software applications, websites, and Internet activities to enhance learning.

(Cross Platform)

3:30 to 5:30 PM

GIMP: Learn and Create Photo Projects That Impress (T03C)

Roger Zuidema, Teacher, Hudsonville Public Schools

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GIMP is a freely distributed piece of software for such tasks as photo retouching, image composition, and image authoring. It works on many operating systems. Come learn the basics of the user interface and then use your skills to create photo projects that impress.

(Cross Platform)

Thursday PC Workshops

8:00 to 10:00 AM

Google Earth for Educators: Learning the Basics (T08B)

Aidan Chopra, SketchUp Evangelist, Google

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Google Earth, Google's satellite imagery-based mapping product, puts the whole world on a student's computer. It enables users to "fly" from space to street level to find geographic information and explore places around the world. Learn the basics on how to create a placemark, upload an image, or create a path in addition to other great tools. Explore the rich educational content in the Layers panel.

(Cross Platform)

8:00 to 10:00 AM

Picasa, a Free and Easy-to-Use Photo Program (T08A)

Janet Caughlin, Substitute Teacher, Douglas County West Community Schools, NE

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You and your students have taken tons of pictures, but what can you do with them? In this workshop you'll learn to use Picasa, the simple-to-use, free, Windows download from Google. It organizes, edits, and helps you to create photo projects. You'll learn to fix problems, add effects, and more. **(Windows)**

8:00 to 10:00 AM

3D Modeling and Animation With Blender (T08D)

Craig Van Ham, Teacher, Hudsonville Public Schools

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Have you seen WALL-E, Up, Finding Nemo, or other CGI movies? Would you like to learn to model and animate 3D objects? Attend this hands-on session where we'll use Blender, a 3D modeling and animation application. And, making it even better, it's open source – completely free! **(Cross Platform)**

10:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Office Live...What Can It Do for Me? (T10D)

Windee Wagner, Administrative Assistant, Kalamazoo Support Professionals/MEA

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Microsoft Office Live Workspace can store up to 5 GB of documents online for free, with access anyplace the Internet is available. You can grant access if you want to share your documents or collaborate with others. It is great for curriculum work, student document storage, and portability. All Microsoft document formats are supported.

(Cross Platform)

1:00 to 3:00 PM

Hands-On With SAM 2007 (T01B)

Debbie Henson, National Sales Consultant, Cengage Learning

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Learn how to get the most from your SAM 2007 (a proficiency-based assessment and training environment for Microsoft Office 2007), including basic features of the software: create sections, create and modify users, create exams, schedule assignments, and view reports. Learn how SAM projects can take you to the next level with auto-graded, project-based assessment. Best practices will be discussed, with plenty of time for Q&A.

(Windows)

Thursday PC Workshops (continued)

1:00 to 3:00 PM

Improve Language Arts Skills Through Global Interaction (T01A)

Benson Loo, CEO/Co-Founder, EyePower, Inc.

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Get students to improve their language arts skills by role-playing as news reporters, news anchors, and news producers, going through a three-step process: Write! Read! Publish! Participants will also learn how to turn their students into interviewers, interviewing overseas students for their news production.

(Windows)

1:00 to 3:00 PM

Using Technology to Differentiate Instruction (T01D)

Bethany Rayl, Assistant Superintendent, Clio Area Schools

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This workshop will showcase numerous ways to differentiate instruction using technology.

Topics will include the use of PowerPoint, WebQuests, Internet sites, multimedia, video streaming, problem based learning, web based games, simulations, Promethean ActivClassroom (interactive whiteboards, classroom response systems, and ActivSlates), digital storytelling, etc. to reach each and every child.

(Cross Platform)

3:30 to 5:30 PM

Paperless, Cutting-Edge, Web-Based Keyboarding (First Grade Through College) (T03A)

Barbara Ellsworth, Professor, Mesa Community College/Ellsworth Publishing Company

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Totally online keyboarding – no textbook needed. No papers to grade or turn in. No course software to install or maintain. Outstanding teacher manager. Individualize to fast or slow students. Automatic grading, scoring, recording. Special software feature keeps students' eyes on the copy, not fingers or keys. Free formatting. Free site license option to colleges.

(Windows)

3:30 to 5:30 PM

Google SketchUp for K-12 Education: Learning the Basics (T03B)

Aidan Chopra, SketchUp Evangelist, Google

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K-12 educators and students from all over the world use SketchUp to explore, explain, and present their ideas using 3D models. We think that SketchUp has a place in every classroom, dorm room, and student laptop in the world. After all – we live in 3D, why shouldn't we start thinking and teaching that way? Learn the basics of how to get started building 3D models that will engage learners in an exciting new way.

(Cross Platform)

Friday MAC Workshops

10:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Design, Organize, and Create a Multimedia Project With HyperStudio5 (F10C)

Ron Ginther, Media Consultant, HyperMedia With Class

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Join the workshop and discover the powerful design tools in HyperStudio 5. This versatile, multifaceted multimedia program can integrate text, graphics, voice narration, animation, and media imports, and allows the user to create slide shows, movies, podcasts, web site interaction, and much more. Have fun and build a project to take with you.

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Thinkfinity: 55,000 Free Quality Resources at Your Fingertips (F08B)

Wynn Draper-Bryant, Teacher, and Shawn Massey, Instructional Technology Coordinator, Flint Community Schools

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Take part in a hands-on guided tour of this wonderful resource for educators, students, and parents. Find lesson plans, interactives, primary source materials, and professional development opportunities from the Verizon Foundation and its educational content partners. Leave this workshop with standards-based, quality resources ready for your classroom tomorrow.

(Cross Platform)

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Traditional Group Work Goes Digital (F08A)

Laura Sandera, Online Training Coordinator, and Julia VanderMolen, Department Coordinator Davenport University

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Group work has traditionally been tied to teamwork and teamwork tied to virtually every working model. In academia it is not generally well received. Technology helps to take traditional group projects and make them digital. This transformation will help overcome student resistance to working collaboratively and increase student effectiveness.

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Google Apps Education in the Classroom (F08D)

Dana Nguyen, Google Apps Education Evangelist

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Google Apps Education Edition provides schools a free suite of tools for email, calendar, documents, web sites, and more. The “anytime, anywhere” availability of Google Apps is ideal for collaborating in and out of the classroom – no flash drives required. Join this hands-on workshop to learn how to facilitate online classroom collaboration and tips on how to administer Google Apps for your school or district.

(Cross Platform)

10:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Get Cooking With Google and Moodle in the iCollaboratory Project! (F10A)

Jan Hackman, Technology Integration Consultant, Adjunct Professor, Aurora University and iCollaboratory Team Member; Bonnie Thurber, Project Developer, iCollaboratory Project; and Ruth Shunick, Teacher, McHenry School District 15, IL

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Publish student work on the Web using Google 2.0 tools and documents. Mix in a dash of Moodle, and you have the best combination on the web. Add in the ability to share documents and discussion and to publish research, and you can feast on a magnificent resource for teachers!

(Cross Platform)