



Spring 2010 CIS Colloquium Series Industry & Government Track

Visually-Driven Development

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Time, Day, Date
4th Floor Conference Room (Wachman Hall, CC 447)

Abstract: The Web Ninja's success is rooted in "front to back" design instead of traditional architecture models. We will discuss how to let the visual display and user interaction drive development. I will also speak about building in Django in a Java shop, preparing for new technologies and platforms such as the iPad as well as answer any questions about development in the publishing and web software industry.

Bio: Steven King is currently the editor of innovations for washingtonpost.com where he and a team of developers and editors work to produce new and creative ways to tell stories. King returns to The Post after two years of being based out of Chiang Mai, Thailand, serving as an overseas correspondent for the International Mission Board. As a multimedia storyteller, King used photos, video, audio, text and interactive graphics to tell stories about the work God is doing around the world. King spearheaded the creation of CommissionStories.com, a new multimedia storytelling Web site. He also directed and produced live streaming broadcasts via satellite and Flash streaming technology to connect Americans to stories and people around the world. Prior to working overseas, King worked in the washingtonpost.com newsroom as multimedia editor of special projects and development. He edited, coordinated and produced award-winning multimedia packages on international events such as the Asian tsunami, Haitian elections and the war in Iraq, as well as national and local stories like the U.S. presidential elections, Hurricane Katrina and Redskins football. King has created and pushed new technologies to tell better stories and to provide greater interactivity to the audience throughout his career through projects such as [TimeSpace](#) and the Redskins GameDay live photos interactive that provided hundreds of images from the sidelines seconds after a play completed. While a photojournalism student at Western Kentucky University, King took a semester off to work for MSNBC.com as a multimedia producer at the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City. He also met his wife Amy in journalism school at Western Kentucky University and they currently live in Alexandria, Va.

Refreshments will be served!