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Linking Ohio's Rich Media  
Resources and Renegades

## Call for Papers

Defrag Ohio Lorain

April 12, 13 and 14, 2007

John A. Spitzer Conference Center, Lorain County Community College, Elyria, Ohio

**Purpose:** to stimulate new and support existing research, and to accelerate the creation of projects and business innovation for Ohio's rich media industry. We encourage presentation of new and disruptive research, models and projects. Sessions are open and interactive. Papers will be published online as conference pre-read materials, as materials are received and confirmed.

The Conference seeks submissions of:

**1) Papers for presentation and discussion.** Papers in consideration of the Conference topics and Cross-cutting themes listed below. Please follow standard academic paper formatting conventions and do not exceed ten pages.

**2) Notes for presentation and discussion.** Notes are at most two pages long. Online and interactive supplements can be included. "Notes" are intended to be a presentation of ideas that aren't quite as developed as a formal paper – much like an outline of ideas – leading to a discussion with the audience that allows the author to get their thoughts/reactions.

**3) Panels.** Participants are also encouraged to propose panels on Conference topics (below) of specific interest. Panel submissions should include a brief description of the panel topic and list of panelists. Typical panel sessions will have brief comments from each panelist followed by a discussion led by the panel leader.

### 1. Conference topics

- A. Education
- B. Workforce Development
- C. Modeling and Simulation
- D. Social Software Technologies
- E. Digital Media Communications

## 2. Cross-cutting themes

- A. Collaborative leadership
- B. Social Networks
- C. Strategic Doing

## 3. Sessions will be one hour in length

## 4. Session guidelines (suggested)

- 1 hour sessions: 30 minute presentation; 30 minute question and answer

## 5. Sessions set up

- conference center classroom (5) seating up to 40 people with technology communications including video conferencing, Wifi, and projection capabilities
- (2) 220 seat amphitheater available with projection capabilities

**Examples of Defrag Ohio presenters and attendees:** academic, business and civic leaders, serious and entertainment game designers, web designers, programmers, urban planners, economic development professionals, health care providers, educators, computer and technology specialists, investors and government officials.

**Submissions** should include a brief description of the Paper/Panel indicating Conference topic and Cross-cutting themes considered. Submissions should be in Microsoft Word or PDF format. Supplementary materials may be submitted in formats displayable by standard web browsers with freely available plug-ins (e. g. Flash, RealPlayer, Windows Media Player 10 or Quicktime.)

**Deadline:** You may submit a one-page abstract and/or a ten page paper on or before March 26. Final papers must be submitted by April 2, 2007.

**Send all submissions** and inquiries to Betsey Merkel, email [betseymerkel@gmail.com](mailto:betseymerkel@gmail.com) or phone 216-246-2447.

**Conference location:** Lorain County Community College, Elyria, Ohio

**Register** for the conference at <http://www.lorainccc.edu/defrag>

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