

Citizen Journalists

Call for Volunteers!

We are looking for volunteers to serve as "Citizen Journalists" during the upcoming Sakai Conference in Boston. Your role would be to interview presenters whose sessions you find interesting and to produce a short video summary. Interviews of conference attendees, such as brief demos of Sakai capabilities, overviews of an organization's migration or integration strategy, or a survey of opinions about a topic, would also be very welcome. Our goal would be to gather such videos as quickly as possible, balanced against allowing some time to edit them for content and presentation quality, and post them for viewing during (or very shortly after) the conference.

If you are interested in helping out, but don't have your own video equipment, the Sakai Foundation will be providing a few Flip camera (or similar) setups for use during the conference. If you would like to help with interviewing, but don't know much about cameras and editing, or, if you are a videophile, but don't know much about interviewing, please still consider volunteering, and we will try to pair you up with someone who has a complimentary set of skills.

If you would like to volunteer to help with this effort, please add yourself to the table below.

Initial Meet-Up at Conference

Let's plan to meet at breakfast on the first day, 8:00AM, Wednesday, 8 July 2009 (breakfast starts at 7:30AM, opening remarks start at 8:30AM). Look for Peter at a table near the back of the room.

Agenda:

- where to post your videos
- where the "interview room/table" is (a quieter place to go record people, but feel free to do it anywhere you would like)
- match people up who want to work with someone
- share some tips and best practices
- Looking for topic suggestions? Here are some of the questions I get asked most commonly that would benefit from some short videos on first-hand experiences:
 - It probably goes without saying that interesting stories and best practices about using Sakai for teaching or collaboration are always great to have around! The more there are, the easier it is to direct someone to a clip that is relevant to their needs.
 - Interview someone who has recently migrated to Sakai from Blackboard, WebCT, homegrown, etc. Ask them about how they piloted, planned out the transition, integration with other campus systems, timelines, staffing levels, end-user support preparations, hardware/software server configurations, budgets, getting faculty buy-in, etc.
 - Integration with existing campus systems, most commonly SIS (Peoplesoft, Oracle, Datatel, etc.), LDAP directories, etc.
 - What is Sakai 3?
 - How do I get help with Sakai? Interview community members about how they use and benefit from the community email lists and wiki (Confluence). Interview some of the Sakai Commercial Affiliates, who offer a variety of support and customization services, and their customers.
 - Interview any speaker whose talk you found interesting to create a short overview of their presentation.
 - Please feel free to add your own suggestions to this list!

Volunteers

Please add your name and what equipment you will bring to this list. Also, if you need a piece of equipment, feel free to post that info here too, and hopefully someone else on the list can help you out.

UStream Pilot!

Matt Plourde will also pilot [UStream](#) during the conference. If you have a webcam, please bring it! We could have more than one feed at the same time. Contact Matt for more info (mathieu@udel.edu).

	Name	Organization	Need a partner? (Interviewer or Videophile?)	What Equipment are you Bringing? (What do you need to Borrow?) (What can you lend to others?)
1	Mathieu Plourde (aka Uber-Citizen Journalist)	University of Delaware	Yes, a Co-Twitterer would be appreciated. A Waterboy and a donkey could also be helpful 	Flip Mino (60 minutes), Flip Ultra (60 minutes) , mini-tripod, small tripod, photo camera, omnidirectional microphones (2 table, 1 lavalier), MacBook Pro with Final Cut, TwistCam, QuickTime Pro, 3 webcams, power cord, switch, tape... And many more...

2	Nicola Monat-Jacobs	NYU	No	Needs to borrow Sakai flip camera
3	Mick Wisniewski	Cerritos College	Need Interviewer	Have cams, will video
4	Lance Speelmon	Indiana University		video camera, Looking to borrow a tripod
5	Kate Ellis	Indiana University	Interviewer would be helpful	video camera
6	Yvette Lapa Dessap	HEC Montréal	Need Videophile	Needs to borrow Sakai flip camera
7	Kimberly Eke	University of North Carolina	Happy to work alone or with anyone who wants to partner.	The Works (HD camera, microphone, tripod, Final Cut Pro, etc.) Here are some sample assets you are free to use/modify as you wish!
8	Salwa Khan (sk16@txstate.edu)	Texas State University	Need Videophile	Will be happy to work with anyone who needs an interviewer--I can also edit video, but won't be bringing an edit setup myself.
9	Roger Henry	Indiana University		video camera
10	Reba-Anna Lee	Marist College	Works well with others but also happy to work Solo but will Twitter for free	FLIP camera and lots of enthusiasm!!
11	Peter Knoop	Sakai Foundation	Probably won't have much time to do interviews, but will help out where I can.	Sakai has two Flip UltraHD 120 minute videocameras for anyone to borrow during the conference.
12	John Moore	Virginia Tech	Need interviewer	Have FlipHD; tripod would be nice
13	Amber D. Evans	Virginia Tech	Blogger and Twitterer (not a videophile)	Have mobile phone, will travel blog and tweet. I would be willing to be an interviewer if anyone needs one still.

Videos

Feel free to post your videos by attaching them to this page, or posting them to somewhere like YouTube. Please make sure to tag them with "sakai09".

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