

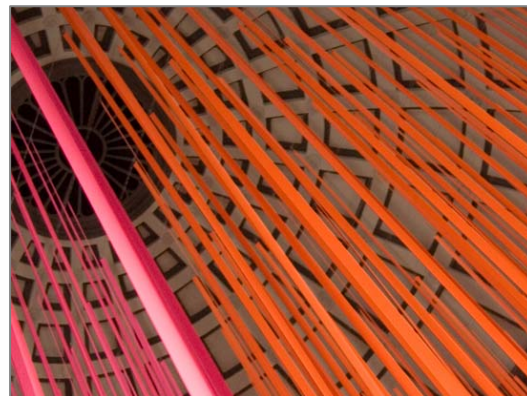
G.I.R.L. TECH NEWSLETTER #5

Hello interns and parents, and welcome to newsletter #5! We send these updates every Friday to let you know what's going on in the G.I.R.L. Tech internship program. If you would like to be added to the distribution list, contact Laura Lantz at lantz@cmu.edu.

THIS WEEK IN RECAP



This past Monday, a bunch of us took a morning tour of the Children's Museum of Pittsburgh, where our robotic painter exhibit will open to the public next month. Because it was the first day of Spring Break, the museum was packed with children. We were able to see how kids interact with the Children's Museum's many hands-on exhibits in addition to exploring the displays and activities for ourselves. Other than this optional trip, we did not meet this week. We hope you all had a wonderful Spring Break!



COMING UP NEXT WEEK

We'll start our week off with a visit to the motion capture lab used by Disney Research Pittsburgh. We will meet on Carnegie Mellon University's main campus, at Wean Hall, the location of the CMU motion capture lab. Join us for a live demonstration of motion capture techniques!

Due to the Pirates game some of you are attending on Wednesday, we will not be holding our usual Wednesday meeting next week. Instead, we'll meet back up at 3:40pm on Thursday. This will be a photo and video day, so come ready to be videorecorded and photographed! We will work with the robotic arms we've constructed and programmed and talk about robots and our experiences with the project. Let's get the robotic arms to do some fun tricks for the camera. We also want your help in playtesting the robotic arm for the Children's Museum exhibit—our completion date for the exhibit is coming up fast!



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Do you have a younger brother or sister between the ages of three and seven who would like to help us test out our interactive exhibit for the Children's Museum of Pittsburgh? If you know of any kids who can come to the Entertainment Technology Center to try our robotic painter exhibit, please encourage their parents to schedule a time for their child to visit late next week. Play-testing will take about 10 minutes per child, and they will also receive a gift for helping us out. Please contact Laura Lantz by email at lantz@cmu.edu or phone at (757)303-6339 to schedule a time or to ask any questions you may have. Prospective visitors can check out the G.I.R.L. Tech website at <http://www.etc.cmu.edu/projects/girl-tech/> to find out more about our work!