creative technology - slogan(s)

focus – to improve/embellish public space with innovative (media/sensor) technology

- science/art-inspired visual effects
- out-of-screen deployment
- environment-sensitive application(s)

metaphor(s) - towards a new curriculum

- a networked world you make it work [engineering, management] not network maintenance!
- everything is connected you make the connections [mediator, management]
- everything is intertwinkled (Ted Nelson) you make it twinkle [the creative track]

student(s) – every student is trained as an artist

- (visual & concept) design
- (technology & application) development
- (aesthetic & intellectual) sensibility

profile(s) – in very scientist is a (hidden) artist

- more in-depth (research-related) technology development
- (proper) intellectual and academic context for innovation

scope(s) - learning goal(s)/approach

- (low-level) basics/technology to take away the magic
- (high-level) applications/tools to achieve challenging target(s)

identiy - creative track

- identity as a group
- portfolio as individual
- imagination mixing science and art
- authenticity as in no bullshit
- craftmanship in discovering the rethorics of the material

slogan(s) – do you want to make a difference

- technology to innovate social processes
- social processes to innovate technology

control(s) – layered mentorship

- supervision(s) from multiple perspectives
- (peer) reviews with mild competitive edge
- (public) exhibition(s) for external exposure
- (scientific) competition(s) by demo(s) & paper(s)

course(s) - principle(s)

- canonical example(s) game / calculator
- (online) reference material(s) www.w3schools.com/js / example(s)
- challenging target(s) heart(s) / labs.google.com (edu / code)

element(s) - educational mechanism(s)

- (art) inspiration(s) item(s) of beauty
- (periodic) de-construction(s) discover (un)truth(s)
- (technical) exploration(s) trial(s) without error(s)
- (creative) workshop(s) to boost the imagination(s)
- (special) event(s) to educate and surprise

learn - to acquire/deepen skills & insight

- craft drill & repetition
- concept(s) application(s) & reflection
- target(s) challenge(s) & context

platform(s) - dynamic (virtual) culture(s)

- software architecture vs ecology
- technology hybrid, interconnected, customizable function(s)/skin(s)
- application(s) in a participatory (playful) culture
- (serious) game(s) & entertainment programmed content / script(s)
- exploratory development to discover the potential(s) of technology

discipline(s) - multi/cross-disciplinary team(s)

- new media design & development
- sensor technolgy engineering & deployment
- creative application(s) innovation

interact(s) - interactive entertainment - facets of fun

- immersion being in
- rapture loss of aesthetic distance
- agency being in *control*

art(s) – computer augmented artefact(s)

- emotional response enrich experience
- intellectual challenge simply avoid boredom

computer augmented artefact(s)

concept(s) - creative technology

- target(s) digital, computational & conceptual skills
- topic(s) invisible computing & digital culture
- $\bullet \ \, {\rm course(s)-sensor}$ technology & new (digital) media

target(s) - creative technology & industrial design

- concept(s) instrumentation, interaction, visualisation
- context(s) home, office & urban environment(s)
- approach(s) (computational) simulation(s) & exploration(s)

resource(s)

This section contains a variety of itmes, including a selection of online tutorials and thesauri. Some examples are given of online museum tours and listings are included of the media art and cultural heritage institutes mentioned in the book. But we will start with introducing briefly with what you need for 3D authoring and rendering, since this is what we have primarily focused on in theis book.

3D authoring & conversion

- vrmlpad www.parallelgraphics.com/products/vrmlpad
- polytrans www.okino.com/products.htm
- maya www.alias.com
- 3dsmax www.discreet.com
- sketchup sketchup.google.com/download.html
- flux studio www.mediamachines.com/products.html

The *polytrans* tool from Okino has been included, since it allows you to convert almost any format into you format of choice, which is a great asset for (re) using models.

3D rendering

- blaxxun www.blaxxun.com/en/products/contact
- virtools www.virtools.com
- flux web3d sourceforge.net/projects/flux
- mediamachines flux www.mediamachines.com/products.html

As concerns price, VRML-based solutions for authoring and rendering are clearly low-cost, whereas tools such as *Maya* and *Studio Max* require more investment, not only in money but also in learning time. Also *Virtools* is in the higher price range.

tutorials

- html www.mcli.dist.maricopa.edu/tut
- javascript www.javascriptkit.com
- php www.php.net/docs.php
- rdf www.w3.org/TR/rdf-primer
- vrml web3d.vapourtech.com/tutorials/vrml97
- java java.sun.com/docs/books/tutorial
- 3D modeling www.raph.com/3dartists/tutorials/t-3dsmax.html
- games in VRML www.3dezine.com/3DEZine/gamestory.html
- ria www.macromedia.com/resources/business/rich_internet_apps/whitepapers.html

In many cases it is (more) convenient to have working examples at hand. Personally, I advice my students to learn using HTML, VRML, Javascript and the like from one of the online tutorials, which do provide such examples. The *php* documentation is not really a tutorial but does provide useful help and examples.

visual design

- collage www.artlex.com/ArtLex/c/collage.html
- storyboard www.thestoryboardartist.com/links.html
- drawing www.thestoryboardartist.com/tutorial.html

For visual design it might be worthwhile to look at some examples, or even take a complete course in drawing.

museum

- van gogh www.vangoghmuseum.nl
- rijksmuseum www.rijksmuseum.nl

- canada www.virtualmuseum.ca/English/index_flashFT.html
- zkm www.zkm.de
- tate www.tate.org.uk
- louvre www.louvre.fr

More inspiration can perhaps be obtained from looking at what muse have to offer. It also gives you an opportunity to update your knowledge of the history of art.

media art

- montevideo www.montevideo.nl
- V2 www.v2.nl
- electronic arts intermix www.eai.org/eai
- cinemanet www.cinemaneteurope.com
- variable media www.variablemedia.net
- net art wwwwwwww.jodi.org/100cc/index.html
- mediamatic www.mediamatic.net

Listed above are institutions that play a role in the preservation and dissemination of contemporary media art. Not an institution, but an early pioneer of art on the internet, is jodi from net art.

virtual tours

- amsterdam www.channels.nl
- panoramic amsterdam www.panoramsterdam.nl
- rijksmuseum www.rijksmuseum.nl/collectie/meesterwerken/?lang=en
- $\bullet \ groningen www.kalamiteit.nl/world/no_cache/museum/vrml/connect.html \\$
- mondriaan www.artmuseums.harvard.edu/mondrian

Many cities nowadays have virtual tours. And also many musea allow the (online) visitor to have a look at their collection.

cultural heritage

- incca www.incca.org
- \bullet delos www.delos.info
- echo echo.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/home
- eu www.iue.it/ECArchives
- cidoc www.cidoc.icom.org
- collate www.collate.de
- cimwos www.xanthi.ilsp.gr/cimwos
- library of congress www.loc.gov./
- scriptorium sunsite.berkeley.edu/scriptorium
- tei www.tei-c.org
- open archives www.tei-c.org
- topia topia.telin.nl

Above is a mixed collection of references to organizations and institutions that are in some way involved in cultural heritage projects, either related to traditional art or contemporary art.

thesaurus

- webopedia www.webopedia.com
- visual www.visualthesaurus.com
- 3D glossary www.nvidia.com/page/pg_20010527107687.html
- art & architecture www.getty.edu/research/conducting_research/vocabularies/aat/

- modern art en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Modern_art
- (new) media art en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_Media_art
- art online www.art-online.com
- multimedia www.insead.fr/CALT/Encyclopedia/Media/multimedia.html
- virtual reality www.insead.fr/CALT/Encyclopedia/ComputerSciences/VR
- $\bullet \ gaming-www.insead.fr/CALT/Encyclopedia/ComputerSciences/Gaming\\$
- mathematics www.cs.brown.edu/people/scd/facts.html
- mpeg www.m4if.org/mpeg4
- wikipedia en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Multimedia

There is a wealth of online information sources, including glossaries and thesauri. Beware, not all of them are properly authorized. Nevertheless, it might be interesting to note that the online version of this book is referred to in the wikipedia, for the entry multimedia.

games

- gamasutra www.gamesutra.com
- \bullet gamedev www.gamedev.net
- developer www.gdmag.com/resources.html
- and more www.lostlogic.com/postnuke
- games at school www.freewebs.com/schoolgamemaker
- gamemaker www.gamemaker.nl/
- game learning www.gamelearning.net
- scripting htpp://www.lua.org
- open source www.delta3d.org
- free source www.thefreecountry.com/sourcecode/games.shtml

For games, there are several popular sites providing information about new upcoming games, as well as developer's resources, including software available for download.

A recommended open source game engine is *Delta3D*. This package contains a variety of open source software, well-integrated due to the efforts of a dedicated team at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, CA/USA.

serious games

- \bullet play2learn www.play2learn.nl
- nitrogenius www.serc.nl/play2learn/products/nitrogenius
- at school rla.oakland.edu/~ist_699
- primary games www.primarygames.com
- games at school www.freewebs.com/schoolgamemaker
- \bullet arcade www.educationarcade.org
- never winter nwn.bioware.com

Serious games are a new brand of games. Not really new in terms of technology, but new with respect to focus and intent.