

New Media Art and Entertainment

on-line lecture / virtual ERASMUS

5 ECTS

spring semester

Lecturers

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Abstract

The course introduces students to new media art and entertainment. Specifically, with computer generated art and software art (in case of new media art) and with digital games as a cultural phenomenon (in case of new media entertainment). There will be a combination of frontal lectures (general history and theory of new media art and digital games) with case studies focused on local (e.g. Central European) phenomena from these areas used during the course.

At the end of the course, students will be able to describe trajectories of the historical development of new media art and digital games. Their knowledge of new media art and digital games will be deepened by their acquaintance with some unique or outstanding, locally specific phenomenon and events from within these fields.

Topics

New Media & Art – New Media & Entertainment

Computers & Games: History

Case study: Local digital games subculture

Case study: Games in Technical museum in Brno

Case study: Serious games

Computers & Art: History

Case study: *Computer Graphic Revisited*

Case study: Digital sculpture

Case study: Digital poetry

Case study: Digital sound poetry

Case study: Computer music

Computers & Interactive fiction

Case study: *Digitálum* (VIDA Center)

Case study: Local indie games: *Someday You'll Return*

Case study: Virtual art: *Dust*

Digital games design & entertainment

Case study: games without coding tools

Case study: game design in on-line environment

New media art & Speculative programming

Case study: 90s new media art – media archeology

Case study: software art programming

Case study: Virus in new media art

Game Industry (CZ)

Case studies:

Bohemia Interactive, Illusion Softworks, Madfinger Games, Amanita Games

New Media Art & Art Institutions

Case study: Ars Electronica

Case study: Prototyp festival

Case study: Vasulka Kitchen Brno

Digital Games & Entertainment

Case study: experience of gaming/gamer

Case study: fandom (speedrunning, streaming, fanart, cosplay, playbour)

Case study: digital games and its Japanese origin