



COLLOQUIUM SPEAKER SERIES

Mathematics and Computer Sciences

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1:40-2:55 in room C620



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There Is No Done, Only Convergence: Agile Development In Practice

Video game development is challenging under any methodology: the marketplace moves fast, and responding to changes is critical. Is there a risk of being "too agile" and getting caught in an endless cycle of changes? Sebastian Hanlon shares lessons learned at a AAA game studio.

Sebastian has been a gameplay engineer at BioWare Edmonton (part of Electronic Arts) since 2006. He has worked on a number of AAA game development projects including the critically acclaimed and award-winning "Dragon Age: Origins" and "Mass Effect 2". His interests include bringing visceral action gameplay to engaging story-driven games, and tools that unlock rapid iteration and multidisciplinary collaboration.

**Coffee and cookies will be served.
Everyone is welcome!**