

# Andrew Webb

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## Education

Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

*Ph.D. in Computer Science*, expected May 2012

GPR 4.0

Electives: Computer Graphics, Machine Learning, Creative Cognition, Sketch Recognition

*M.S. in Computer Science*, August 2007

*A Transitory Interface Component for In-Context Visualization and Adjustment of a Value*

GPR 3.612

Electives: Human Centered Systems and Information, Physical Interfaces, User Interfaces and Information Visualization, Recombinant Media, Physically Based Modeling

*B.S. in Computer Science, Cum Laude*, May 2004

GPR 3.603

Electives: Structures of Interactive Information, Design Communication Foundations, Computer Graphics, Drawing, Photography

## Experience

### **Research Assistant, Texas A&M University; College Station, TX - 2008-Present**

Working as a Human Computer Interaction (HCI) researcher in the Interface Ecology Lab.

### **Web Designer, PageUp America; The Woodlands, TX - 2004-2007**

Worked as a part-time freelance web designer creating and improving web site designs.

### **Teaching Assistant, Texas A&M University; College Station, TX - Fall 2004**

Served as T.A. for Structures of Interactive Information. Answered students questions about assignments. Provided them with feedback on their work. Graded assignments.

### **Co-owner and Designer, ACW Custom Signs; Willis, TX - 2003-2005**

Started a vinyl graphics business with my brother. We created automotive graphics, signs, and banners.

### **Web Designer, DeGroot Web; The Woodlands TX - Summer 2000**

Designed and maintained web pages for a wide variety of clients from small non-profit organizations to large corporations. Gained substantial experience in working with HTML, CSS, Javascript, Flash, and Photoshop.

## Selected Publications

Kerne, A., Qu, Y., Webb, A.M., Damaraju, S., Lupfer, N., Mathur, A. Meta-Metadata: A Metadata Semantics Language for Collection Representation Applications, *Proc ACM Conference on Information and Knowledge Management 2010*.

Webb, A. and Kerne, A. The In-Context Slider: A Fluid Interface Component for Visualization and Adjustment of Values while Authoring, appearing in *Proceedings of ACM Advanced Visual Interfaces 2008*.

Kerne, A., Koh, E., Smith, S. M., Webb, A., Dworaczyk, B., combinFormation: Mixed-Initiative Composition of Image and Text Surrogates Promotes Information Discovery , *ACM Transactions on Information Systems (TOIS)*, 27(1), Dec. 2008, 5:1-45

Webb, A., Kerne, A., Koh, E., Human Movement and Clear Affordances Promote Social Interaction, *Leonardo Electronic Almanac*, 15(5-6), May 2007.

Koh, E., Kerne, A., Damaraju, S., Webb, A., Sturdivant, D., Generating Views of the Buzz: Browsing Popular Media and Authoring using Mixed-Initiative Composition, *Proceedings of ACM Multimedia 2007*, 228-237.

Webb, A., Kerne, A., Koh, E., Joshi, P., Park, Y., Graeber, R., Choreographic Buttons: Promoting Social Interaction through Human Movement and Clear Affordances, *ACM Multimedia 2006*, 451-460.

## Skills

I have extensively used Java and C# for interaction and user interface design. I have worked with the Prefuse toolkit to build an information visualization for an interactive installation. As a graphic and web designer, I have made diligent use of Photoshop, Illustrator, DHTML, AJAX, and JSP. I have experience using MAX/MSP/Jitter to create an interactive art installation. In my course work, such as Physically Based Modeling and Computer Graphics, I have written numerous applications using C++ and OpenGL. I have developed applications using all of the following operating systems: Windows, Mac OS X, Unix, and Linux.