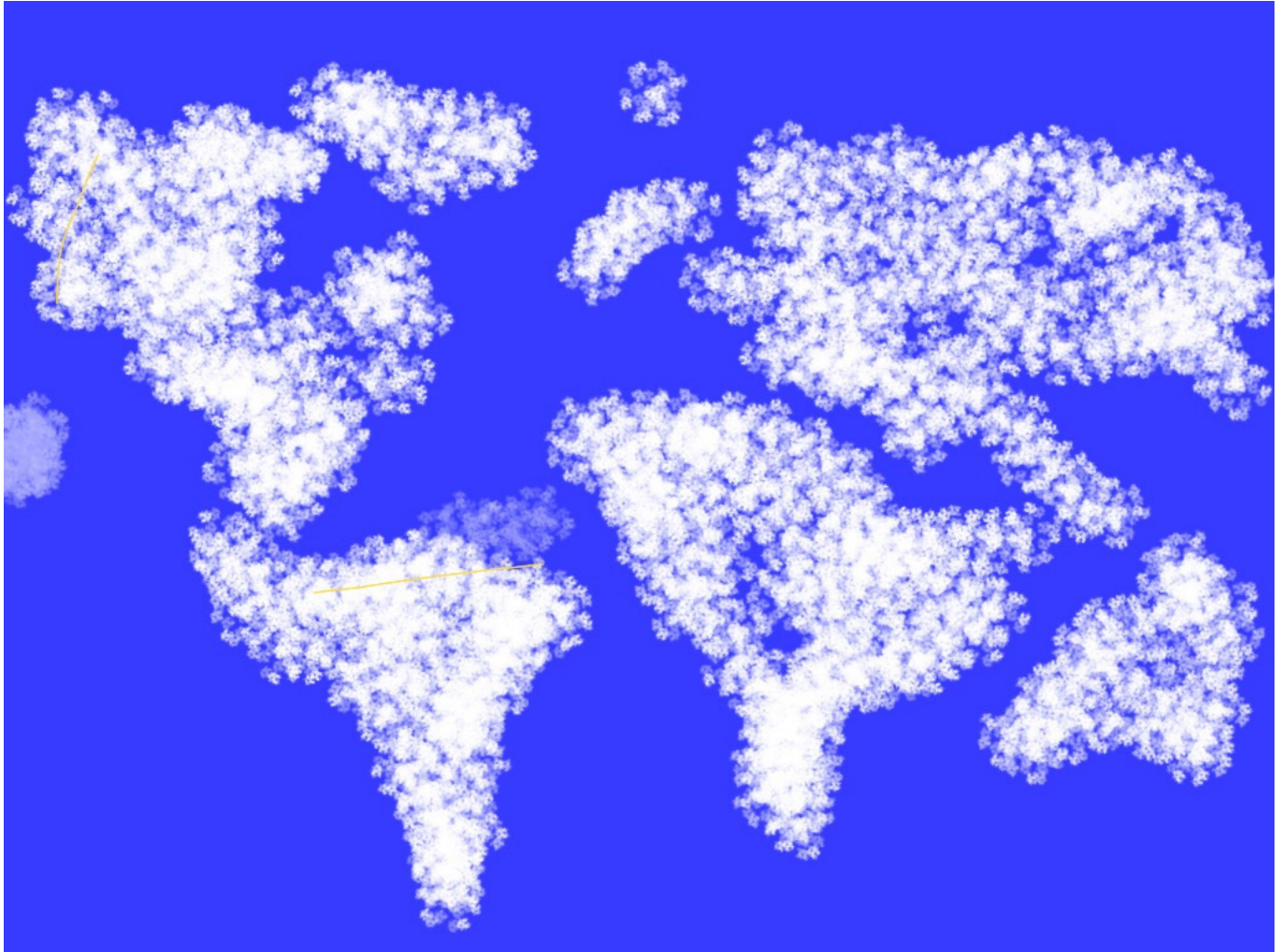


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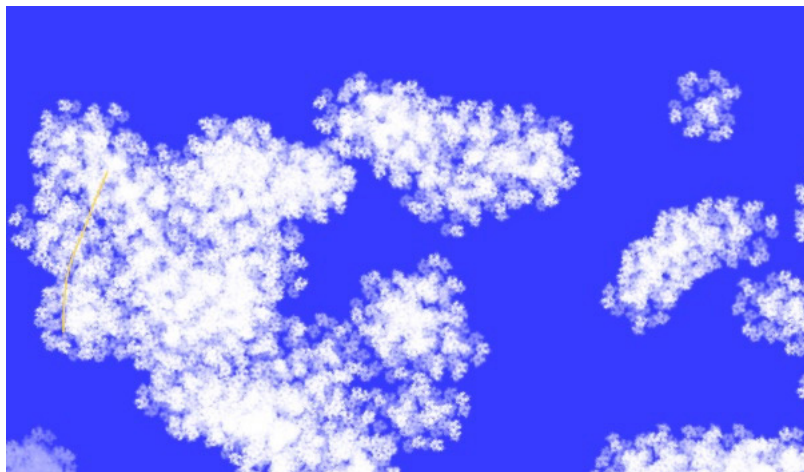
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Cover Art



By Sharon, Deaf Artist

Sharon is a Deaf artist. She paints in watercolor and oil, sketches in colored pencils and charcoal, and dabbles in electronic art.

Ability Anywhere's vision is to disseminate assistive technology (AT) news that facilitates the accessibility, inclusion, safety, employment, self-determination, creativity, and dignified recognition of persons with disabilities.

Artists please submit your art for consideration to ability.anyware@gmail.com (jpeg or png file).

Alternative formats of this publication (audio, large print) are available upon request. Please submit your request to ability.anyware@gmail.com

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:

Ability Anywhere: Mission POSSIBLE

October 24, 2014

More Details SOON

From the Editor

Ability Anyware's mission is to find and distribute the most important assistive technology (AT) news to the disability community. This includes AT and personal



products, as well as disability-related services and training for persons with disabilities across gender, ethnicity, cultural background, and age.

We consider disability diversity (hearing, visual, cognitive, ambulatory, self-care, independent living) when gathering information for our subscribers. Not all information shared by Ability Anyware reflects the opinion of individuals involved with or featured in our publication.

Tanya Maxwell
Editor-in-Chief

More than 37 million individuals with disabilities are reported living in the U.S. (2012 estimate by DisabilityStatistics.org).



We offer advertising opportunities for startups, nonprofit organizations, and exceptional individuals to be featured in our publication.

For more information, contact us at ability.anyware@gmail.com

Ability Anyware's Free Workshops:

1. My Safety Matters: Technology for Safety
2. Accessibility in Windows & Microsoft Office
3. Accessibility in iOS (Mac) & Pages
4. Accessibility in Adobe
5. Accessibility on YouTube

To register for workshops, contact us at ability.anyware@gmail.com

Editor's Pick: AT Apps



Car Dash

Windows 8 phone app aids limited mobility in access to car features.

BARD (Braille & Audio Reading Download)

National Library Reading Service app, available on iPhone & iPad, aids reading for visual & physical disabilities.

Speech Recognition

Windows 8 PC app for fine motor and/or visual disabilities. Speech types words on screen.

Finger Speller

Windows 8 PC & phone app tests mastery of Sign Language letters.

Webtalk

Android app assists website navigation by reading webpage content aloud.

Tobii EyeMobile

Windows tablet provides hands-free tablet use through an eye tracking system'

Learning Ally

Android audio reading app assists dyslexia & visual impairment'

Veggie Time!



What parent wouldn't love this Windows 8 PC, phone, tablet app? Colorful images in matching game helps children with (or without) learning & speech disabilities identify different vegetables. Encourages them to eat their veggies!



AT World: Putting AT on the Map

What is Assistive Technology (AT)?

AT is any form of technology (high or low) that aids individuals with disabilities in mobility, daily tasks, personal care and safety, communication, job duties, medical treatment, exercise, recreational activities, and creative expression. Given possibilities afforded via AT, developers continue to create software/applications and devices with the disability community in mind.

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Ever Wonder Who Invented Those Mini Ramps (Curb Cuts) in Our Sidewalks?

Millions of people have experienced the benefits of curb cuts at one point in their existence. We can thank Ed Roberts, Co-founder of the World Institute on Disability (WID), for that! Whether moving in a wheelchair, pushing a stroller, riding a bike or skateboard, or crossing an intersection with luggage, we all feel a sense of relief at the sight of a curb cut.



This simple form of AT reduces the risk of injury or death that can occur from falling off a curb or being stalled at an intersection. AT (high or low" is pivotal in removing barriers that impede daily activities% independence, progress, and m^ overall quality of life for individuals with disabilities.

Your Input = Output



Ability Anyware would like your input on which AT you use. We are also interested in stories about barriers encountered in your life (tasks, equipment, surroundings).

Ability Anyware's survey will gather important data to share with developers in updating, creating, and releasing AT.

Please feel free to send us suggestions for improvements to current assistive technologies and/or apps. Contact us at ability.anyware@gmail.com to participate in the survey.



Where Can I Access AT in My Community?

If your access to AT, Internet, and/or computers is limited, most states have assistive technology centers which provide free use of AT equipment or devices.

The **Assistive Technology (AT) Act of 2004** established a total of 56 AT centers across the nation under the **RESNA (Rehabilitation Engineering Society of North America) Catalyst Project**. The centers, funded via a Rehabilitation Services Administration and U.S. Department of Education grant, provide employment services, such as job training. To find out more about these centers, please visit RESNA Project website: <http://www.resnaprojects.org/allcontacts/statewidecontacts.html>