

AI SYMPOSIUM

AGENDA

08:30 - 09:00 REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST

09:00 - 09:45 **Opening Remarks:** Dean Hongtao Yu, Morgan State University

Musical Performance + IVOW Video

Welcome: IVOW Bot & Davar Ardalan

Heritage Huddles: lead by Joy Elias & Cindy Guijosa

Lightning Talk: Rafael Perez y Perez, Aztec stories in AI (10 minutes)

Audience Questions (10 minutes)

09:45 - 10:30 **Interactive Workshop 1:** Co-creating with Robots: AI and Storytelling

Moderator: Davar Ardalan, IVOW Founder

Producer: Simin Kargar; **Scribe:** Arthi Rabbane

Panelists: Marine Carpuat, University of Maryland, Mahmudur Rahman, Morgan State, Mark Riedl, Georgia Tech, Nader Vadiee, SIPI

Topics: What's Possible; AI Storytelling; Promise of NLP

10:30 - 10:45 **BREAK** (Facebook Live interviews) Cindy Guijosa Producer

10:45 - 11:45 **Lightning Talk:** Ethnographer Miguel Gandert (10 minutes)

Audience Questions (10 minutes)

Interactive Workshop 2: Inclusive Algorithms for Cultural Impact

Moderator: Ben Kreimer, IVOW Director of Storytelling Technology

Producer: Davar Ardalan; **Scribe:** Nora O'Reilly

Panelists: Mark Finlayson, Florida International University, Nisa McCoy, IVOW UX Designer, Nagesh Rao, SBA, Lisha Bell, Pipeline Angels

Topics: What's Missing; Data Partnerships; Localizing Content.

11:45 - 12:00 **BREAK** (Facebook interview) Joy Elias

12:00 - 12:30 **LUNCH**

12:30 - 01:15 **Interactive Workshop 3:** AI, Human Rights, and World Cultures

Moderator: Simin Kargar, IVOW Director of Strategic Initiative

Producer: Ben Kreimer; **Scribe:** Sara Shemali

Panelists: Louise Stoddard, United Nations, Ellen Yount, Management Systems International (MSI), Rafael Perez y Perez, Nisa McCoy, IVOW UX Designer

Topics: Representing world cultures in ML; how development can use AI storytelling; your cultural data is your resource

01:15 - 01:45 **Declaration of Citizen, Machine, and Culture:**

Group conversation facilitated by Kee Malesky, IVOW Director of Research

Producer: Robert Malesky; **Scribes:** Arthi, Sara, Nora

Topics: Rights and privileges of human beings in the digital universe

01:45 - 02:00 **BREAK** (Facebook Live interviews) Cindy Guijosa

02:00 - 02:45 **Interactive Workshop 4:** Future of Intelligent Narratives

Moderator: Robert Malesky, IVOW Director of Content Design

Producer: Simin Kargar; **Scribe:** Nora O'Reilly

Panelists: Wolfgang Victor Yarlott, Florida International University, Davar Ardalan, IVOW, Jason Farman, University of Maryland, Miguel Gandert, University of New Mexico

Topics: Ensuring journalistic accuracy, narrative flow, and inclusive viewpoints

02:45 - 03:45 **Networking and Partnership Strategy Sessions:**

Participants will pick a discussion group on: Education, Storytelling, or Development and its connection to AI technology. Groups will have 45 minutes for discussion and roadmapping. Each group will assign a Reporter to address the room in the last 15 minutes.

Group 1: Education: IVOW Lead - Kee Malesky

Scribe: Nora O'Reilly, Joy Elias

Participants: Mahmudur Rahman, Nader Vadiee, Ida Jones, Yasodara Cordova, Marine Carpuat, Farin Kamangar, Wolfgang Victor Yarlott.

Group 2: Storytelling: IVOW Lead - Davar Ardalan

Scribe: Arthi Rabbane

Participants: Mark Riedl, Robert Malesky, Ben Kreimer, Hans Damien Sass, Rafael Perez y Perez, Margot Susca, Miguel Gandert.

Group 3: Development: IVOW Lead - Simin Kargar

Scribe: Sara Shemali, Cindy Guijosa

Participants: Nisa McCoy, Ellen Yount, Louise Stoddard, Nagesh Rao, Lisha Bell, Mark Finlayson

03:45 - 04:00 **FINAL REMARKS**

05:30 - 07:30 **Optional: Happy Hour at LITTLE HAVANA**

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