CAPWIC 2012 Capital Region Celebration of Women in Computing

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Dear Technology Partners,

On April 13-14, 2012 the Anita Borg Institute will host a Poster Forum as part of its Capital Region Celebration of Women in Computing (CAPWIC) Conference. The purpose of the Poster Forum is to encourage the exchange of innovative ideas amongst technical women or technically interested women in high school, college or university, academia, government and industry.

Thus, we invite members of your academic or business organization to participate in the 2012 Poster Forum and submit abstracts for consideration on or before February 17, 2012. During the event, Poster representatives will have the opportunity to present their current work and research in technology fields including computer science, information systems and information technology. Students and leaders from industry, academia, and the government will be on hand to discuss presenter's research during the forum.

This Poster Forum has incredible potential to build, encourage, and expand opportunities for women researchers, government representatives, faculty, graduate, undergraduate, and high school students, educators, business professionals, entrepreneurs and individuals in all areas of computing other related scientific or technical fields. It will also provide a powerful message to influence young high school girls who will attend.

We appreciate your support, as The Anita Borg Institute seeks to promote and encourage women in technology. The Call for Poster details can be found on the CAPWIC website (http://capwic.org). For additional details, feel free email me at qbrown@bowiestate.edu.

Sincerely,

QUINCY BROWN

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CAPWIC CALL FOR POSTERS

Theme: Team Up for Success

The Anita Borg Institute announces a Poster Forum to be held in conjunction with the 2012 Capital Area Women in Computing Regional Conference (CAPWIC) on April 14, 2012, at the Fredericksburg Expo & Conference Center, in Northern Virginia.

EVENT DESCRIPTION

The Poster Forum offers an opportunity for students, researchers, academics, and scientists to present and discuss: works in progress, technical or scientific research, implementation results, current research challenges, novel approaches, or current research challenges.

The selection of posters will be based on how well abstract submissions celebrate the achievements of women in technology, present innovation ideas that support *Rear Admiral Grace Hopper's* vision of women participating in computing & technology on an equal basis, and evidence of "teaming" consistent with the 2012 CAPWIC Theme: *Team Up for Success*.

REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMISSION

Abstract summaries of the poster presentation submitted for consideration should be clear, descriptive, and not longer than one page. They should contain the following specific information:

- Category (see below)
- Clear statement of the problem or questions addressed
- Clear statement of the main point(s) or argument(s)
- Clear indication of relevance to related work, accomplished in part by citations identifying previous literature (listed as references at the end of the abstract).
- If the paper reports a study using statistical methods of analysis, the study design should be clearly outlined and the results stated, identifying the statistical approaches used. (If the study is still in progress, this should be clearly stated.)
- If the paper is a work of any other kind, illustrative examples should be provided and explained.

SUBMISSION CATEGORIES

Secondary School – for young women in grades 9-12 conducting research with a post-secondary school partner

Post-Secondary School – for women working in academia, industry or government

Please submit abstracts via the CAPWIC website, http://capwic.org/newposter.php, on or before Friday, February 17, 2012. Accepted abstracts will be notified by February 24, 2012.