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TECHNICAL WRITING WORKSHOPS ACROSS CANADA

The Institute for Advanced Technology of Control Data Canada, Ltd. will present a series of technical writing workshops in various locations across Canada from April to June 1988. Workshops include the following: Technical Writing Workshop, Writing Standards and Procedures, Writing Usable User Documentation, On-Line Documentation, How to Document User Requirements and Systems Specifications, and Writing Winning Proposals.

For more information, contact:

The Institute for Advanced Technology Control Data Canada, Ltd. 110 Bloor Street West, Suite 202 Toronto, Ontario M5S 2W7 (416) 964-8664

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SIXTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SGML IN OTTAWA

The Graphics Communications Association, in cooperation with the applied Information Technologies Research Center, the SGML Users' Group, The International Group of Scientific, Technical, and Medical Publishers and the <TAG> Newsletter, announces the Sixth International Conference and Showcase on the Standard Generalized Markup Language (SGML) and related topics. The conference will be held in Ottawa May 24-26, 1988. It will provide a forum for corporate, government, military, industrial and research organizations involved in writing, editing, storing, manipulating data and producing information, including manuals, books, looseleaf products, and in-house documents.

For more information, contact:

Graphics Communications Association 1730 North Lynn Street, Suite 604 Arlington, Virginia 22209-2085 U.S.A. (703) 841-8160

5TH ANNUAL CATTW/ACPRTS CONFERENCE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WINDSOR

The 5th Annual CATTW/ACPRTS Conference will be held at the University of Windsor in conjunction with the Learned Societies Conference, May 28-29, 1988. This year's conference will offer a special theme on the second day, focussing on "Legal Writing - The Writer's Liability." Papers will be presented in English and French.

For more information, contact:

Jacqueline Bossé-Andrieu President, CATTW/ACPRTS Ecole de traducteurs et d'interprètes Université d'Ottawa 5, rue Hastey Ottawa, Ontario K1N 6N5 (613) 564-2346 or Bruce Lundgren
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36th ANNUAL TECHNICAL WRITERS' INSTITUTE AT RENSSELAER

This course, offered annually by Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, will be held this year from June 7 to 10, 1988. The first two days of the program will emphasize issues of interest to the new writer; the second two days will concentrate on more advanced topics such as designing documentation and designing interactive systems.

For more information, contact: Office of Continuing Education Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Troy, New York 12180-3590

U.S.A. (518) 276-8351

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES SYMPOSIUM ON INDIVIDUAL, ORGANIZATIONAL, AND SOCIAL IMPACTS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO

An interdisciplinary research symposium focussing on the individual, organizational, and social impacts of information technologies will be held at The University of Western Ontario on June 15 and 16, 1988. The symposium is co-sponsored by Western's Centre for Administrative and Information Studies, the Canadian Workplace Automation Research Centre, and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada. Registration is limited.

For more information, contact:

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TRAINING INSTITUTE FOR TECHNICAL WRITERS AND MANAGERS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO

The Centre for Professional Writing at the University of Waterloo will offer a Training Institute for Technical Writers and Managers July 11-15, 1988. The programme will provide training in three areas: technical writing, document design (including desktop publishing), and usability testing. Participants will plan, write, design, edit, publish and test their own documents using IBM desktop publishing workstations.

For more information, contact: Centre for Professional Writing
269 Hagey Hall
University of Waterloo
Waterloo, Ontario N2L 3G1
(519) 885-1211 Ext. 2634 or 6833

University of Minnesota Institute for Technical Communication: An Advanced Seminar for Teachers and Professional Communicators

July 20-25, 1988 St. Paul, Minnesota

Participants in this seminar will have the opportunity to explore advanced concepts in technical communication. Faculty presentations, workshops, and discussions will include Emerging Trends in Technical Communication; Principles of Design and Documentation: Screen vs. Paper; How People Read: Implications for Writers; Management Dilemmas of Desktop Publishing; and Translating Industrial Practice into Curriculum.

Seminar Leaders:

R. John Brockmann

Victoria Mikelonis Thomas Pearsall

Ann Hill Duin JoAnn Hackos Earl McDowell

Janice Redish Gretchen Schoff

For more detailed information please write:

Rhetoric Department University of Minnesota

or call: Sandra Becker (612) 625-2755

202 Haecker Hall St. Paul, MN 55108

FIFTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON WRITING FOR THE COMPUTER INDUSTRY AT MIT

This one-day conference will provide workshops and presentations on computer documentation, online documentation, hypertext, hypermedia, and professional development. It will be held August 13, 1988 at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

For more information, contact: Dr.

Dr. Edward Barrett, Conference Director

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