

## Libraries and Technology Collide: Simulation and Gaming



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When a technologically savvy library patron arrives at an integrated library environment, federal librarians need the latest tools to take them to the next level. Simulation and gaming techniques can blend user expectations with entertainment and create a state-of-the-art learning center.

Join your colleagues for a demonstration of Virtual Experience Immersive Learning Simulation, (VEILS), used by the Department of Defense, FBI and the Anti-Defamation League to develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills. Sharon Sloane of Will Interactive, the VEILS developers, will take participants through this fascinating software that is also used to change behaviors in at-risk youths in Kentucky.

For those looking for specific library applications, Mark Puterbaugh, Information Services Librarian at Eastern University has taken gaming to a new level. As the director of Active Worlds Education, he has headed the 3-D Virtual Bibliographic Instruction (VBI) Project that offers an interface between the library's OPAC and gaming software.

After the presentations, participants will have the opportunity to experiment with the software and ask questions about implementing this new learning strategy in federal libraries and information centers.

### Date

Monday, April 3, 2006

### Time

12:30 p.m.—4:00 p.m. (Registration begins at 12:00 noon.)

### Place

West Dining Room, 6th Floor, Madison Building, Library of Congress, 101 Independence Avenue, S.E., Washington, D.C. Feel free to bring your lunch or purchase it at the Library of Congress cafeteria (Madison Building, 6th Floor).

### Metro

Capitol South (Orange and Blue lines)

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### Registration

Free, but advance registration is required. Register online at the FLICC Educational Programs Web site at <http://www.loc.gov/flicc/feveform.html>. Request ADA accommodations five business days in advance at (202) 707-6362 TTY or [ADA@loc.gov](mailto:ADA@loc.gov).

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### Cancellations

Please notify FLICC (202) 707-4813 if you are unable to attend to allow those on the waiting list a chance to register.

