Session 1: Monday, January 12, 2009
12:00 – 1:30 pm, OEIT conference  Room NE48-3027

**Entering a New World**
*A gentle introduction to the ‘other’ MIT.*

Introduction: *Evan Leek & Molly Ruggles*
- What is a virtual world?
- What is Second Life?

Hands on:
- Orientation to Second Life
  - Basic commands
    - Arrow keys for Navigation
    - Sitting, standing
    - Communicating
    - Teleporting
    - What to do if the system crashes
  - Culture and custom in SL
    - Avatar identification
    - Strangers
    - Search Menu:
      - Events
      - Places
      - People
- Tour of MIT SIM
  - Join by Peter Hess (Tetero Lesse, instructional technologist at Emerson College in RL, also took a course in Second Life)
- Teleport to Colgate University
  - Claudia Servadio-Coyne (Maryjoesphine Glas) is our tour guide
- Teleport to Emerson
  - Evan Leek (Reginald Friedkin) is our tour guide
- Possible additional trips to Science Friday & elsewhere
- Back to OEIT conference room

Debrief:
- How to get connected to Second Life community
- Brief overview of Wonderland, other VW’s
- VW’s in teaching and learning, overview of sessions 2 & 3
- What OEIT can and can’t do for you in SL
- Comments/reactions
- Resources for further exploration
Session 2: Wednesday, January 14, 2009
12:00 – 1:30 pm, 1-371

**Employing Second Life**
The use of VW's in engineering and health sciences education.

Introduction: *Evan Leek*
- the scope of institutions using VW’s in education
- areas of education that are most prominent
- the type of interactions that we are seeing (voice over IP, live video streams, etc.)
- landmark institutions and their work

Speaker: *Dr. Daniel Hoch, Deborah Linton, Heather Bello*
- “Providing Real Care in a Virtual Environment: The challenges and potential of clinical practice in a virtual world.”

Speaker: *Warren Sheaffer*
- the Virtual Northstar project at St Paul College: using project Wonderland in engineering education

Question and answer session: *panel*
- questions for our speakers will be taken

Session 3: Friday, January 16, 2009
12:00 – 1:30 pm, 1-371

**Peering Through the Spyglass**
The future of virtual worlds and the potential for convergence.

Speaker: *Evan Leek, MIT*
- Google Earth

Speaker: *John Lester, Linden Lab*
- "The Oasis of the Surreal: Real Minds in Virtual Worlds"

Speaker: *Jordan Slott, Nicole Yankelovich, Sun Microsystems*
- Project Wonderland: practical applications.

Question and answer session: *panel*
- Questions for our speakers will be taken
Attendance Information:

Questions
- contact evanleek@MIT.edu with questions

Registration
- sessions 2 and 3 are open to the MIT community
- session 1 is limited to 12 participants, please register at http://web.mit.edu/ruggles/IAP/registration-VW.html

Attending Virtually
- participants in sessions 2 and 3 may join us virtually and are encouraged to bring their laptops.
- the virtual components to each session will also be projected in the meeting spaces.

Preparation
- participants may also want to familiarize themselves with the following websites
  o http://blogs.sun.com/wonderland/
  o https://lg3d-wonderland.dev.java.net/
  o http://secondlife.com/
  o http://earth.google.com/