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## Tiltfactor Director Mary Flanagan to speak at Prominent Art and Game Symposia

Dr. Mary Flanagan, director of Tiltfactor Laboratory and Sherman Fairchild Distinguished Professor in Digital Humanities at Dartmouth College, will deliver several talks this summer and fall on such topics as critical play, games as an art form, and games as a medium for social change. Scheduled venues include the Museum of Modern Art (MoMA) in New York, the Games for Change Festival, and the IndieCade Conference.

At MoMA, Dr. Flanagan, along with other artists, critics, curators, and scholars, will take part in the Contemporary Art Forum regarding Critical Play. Panelists will take on "The Game as an Art Form," discussing how games influence art practice, and how they have changed the way audiences engage with and learn from art. The forum will take place on May 17th. <a href="http://www.moma.org/visit/calendar/events/13985">http://www.moma.org/visit/calendar/events/13985</a>

Dr. Flanagan will also deliver a lecture at the Games for Learning Institute Day at the ninth annual Games for Change Festival, the largest games gathering in New York City. Games for Change aims to "catalyze social impact through digital games." The festival will run from June 18th to June 20th. <a href="http://gamesforchange.org/festival2012/">http://gamesforchange.org/festival2012/</a>

In fall, Dr. Flanagan will deliver the keynote address at the IndieCade Conference in Los Angeles. The conference aims to bring together the "freshest, most innovative and creative minds and works in independent game design." It runs parallel with the IndieCade Festival, the nation's only stand-alone, independent-focused game event, described as "the videogame industry's Sundance" by the *Los Angeles Times*. The conference will take place from the 5th to the 7th of October. <a href="http://www.indiecade.com/2012/conference/">http://www.indiecade.com/2012/conference/</a>

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