

Ars Electronica Center

Seniors Discover GeoCity

Friday, February 4, 2011, 2-3 PM

(Linz, February 3, 2011) One Friday a month, the Ars Electronica Center offers a themed tour custom-tailored to seniors. The guides make a concerted effort to dispense with English-language high-tech jargon, and to allow plenty of time for tour group members to leisurely try out the many interactive installations, to pose questions, and to discuss their experiences and impressions. This coming Friday, February 4, 2011, 2-3 PM, the spotlight will be on GeoCity.

Our World: The Big Picture and the Small Details

How many people are being added to the world's population each second? Which volcanoes are currently erupting and where on Earth are earthquakes occurring? How many planes are aloft in our planet's airspace at the moment? Which countries are using the most energy and who's the biggest contributor to climate change? GeoCity looks at the "big" processes transpiring in our world and their many "little" impacts in everyday life. The approach here isn't to acquaint you with lots of facts & figures, but rather to enable you to experience what's commonly known as globalization but is hard to put into terms that make it easy to grasp.

Linz Then and Now

GeoCity's strong local focus has recently been enriched by a fascinating new facet: historical photos of Linz juxtaposed to their contemporary counterparts shot from the identical perspective. This lets viewers see how things used to be here, but also brilliantly illustrates dramatic developments over the last century. These truly extraordinary images are from the permanent collection of the Archive of the City of Linz.

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Archive of the City of Linz: <http://www.linz.at/geschichte/de/1054.asp>  
Videos about the history of Linz: <http://www.linz.at/geschichte/de/1011.asp>  
Ars Electronica Center: <http://new.aec.at/center/about/>

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