

Community workshops

Community meeting/workshop schedule

On **Wednesday at 2:30 PM ET**, the inclusive design community gathers together to learn and discuss various topics. The community workshops provide the inclusive design community an opportunity for engaging with a broader community to spur our creative processes with topics that may align with our projects, be lateral with, or challenge our ideas by providing alternative perspectives. It also provides the opportunity to make connections with the work of those in the broader community.

To join the conversation please come to the IDRC office in Toronto or remotely through [Zoom](#).

Check out the [Meetings page](#) for more reoccurring events.

Check out the [Collaborate page](#) for more ways to get involved!

Upcoming

| Topic | Facilitator | Date | Links / Notes |
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| Skills Development: Remote collaboration strategies | Justin | March 4 | |
| | | March 11 | |
| | | March 18 | |
| | | March 25 | |

Past

Workshops from previous years can be seen on the [Previous Community Workshop Topics](#) page. Video recordings may not have captions. If you would like to contribute to captioning any of the videos, please reach out to us through the [fluid-work mailing list](#).

| Topic | Facilitator | Date | Links / Notes |
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| Assessment Process | Lorna Lo | February 26 | Video |
| Skills Development: Accessible web design, implementation, and validation tools and techniques | Jon Hung | February 19 | Video Audio Notes (Google doc) |
| Making OCAD You - Passport | IDRC | February 12 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local only• Special time (2 - 3pm) |
| Discussion about Irisbond | Eduardo Jauregui | February 5 | Irisbond |
| Kindle Accessibility | JoAnna Hunt | January 28 | Special date and time (10am ET) |
| Machine Learning: What it can and can't do | Ted Thompson | January 22 | Meeting Notes Slides Video Recording |
| Google Summer of Code 2020 planning & brainstorming | | January 8 | Google Summer of Code 2020 with the Fluid Project |

Suggested Future topics

| Topic | Facilitator |
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| Agile development: planning | Michelle |
| Teacher to talk about education plans (EP) | Guest? |
| Students with learning disabilities to talk about their experiences | Guest? |

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| People working with students on mindfulness and mental health | Guest? |
| Talk to people who teach children to program | Lighthouse Labs? |
| Someone from able gamers to talk about how people with various disabilities interact with games | Guest? |
| People working with young adults with autism | Guest? |
| Rose? How people engage in social connections and relationships | Guest? |
| Empathy Toy | |
| Engage with OCAD students to talk about their projects and/or areas of study. (MDes and others) | Guest? |
| Music Therapy | Theresa |
| Someone who has developed software for older adults | Guest? |
| Someone who works with brain sensing tech | Muse? |
| Someone to talk about entrepreneurship and marketing (how to reach people to use our software and services e.g. P4A, Outside-in, hack-a-thons, etc.) | Guest? |
| Latest A11y models and principles to follow, and language to use (e.g. things that the MDes students are taught) | Jutta? |
| Accessibility in the Toronto Public Library | Guest? |
| Case Studies of User Creativity in Computing (Monthly) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minecraft (led by: Michelle and other) • Sound Shapes (Shaw Han???) • IFTT (Jon) • etc | |
| Skills Development workshops (Monthly?) Below are some examples of topics that could be covered. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refreshers (e.g. using ARIA) • best practices • using new features (e.g. new CSS, HTML, JS) • new frameworks • new tools • design techniques • etc. | |

| Offsite Visit: Location | Topic | Contact |
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| Mozilla | | Yura Zenevich |
| STEAMLabs | | |
| Underground Hack Lab? | | |
| Bloorview Research Institute | | |
| IDI Partners (e.g. UofT, Ryerson, etc) | | |
| KidsLearningCode/GirlsLearningCode | Teaching children to program | |

| Challenges / Hack Session / Workshop | Facilitator |
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