

Calendar

February

ITU Telecom Americas 2003, Buenos Aires, Argentina. Info: Piers Letcher, Press and Public Relations Officer, ITU Telecom; tel: +42 22 730 6602; fax: +41 22 730 6444; e-mail: piers.letcher@itu.int; website: www.itu.int/newsroom. *February 25-28, 2002.*

March

VidTrans 2002 Conference, Orlando, FL. Info: Matt Peterson, Scenic

Wonders, Inc.; tel: (608) 273-4803; e-mail: matt@swonders.com; website: www.videoservicesforum.org/vidtrans. *March 3-6, 2002.*

ShoWest 2002, Las Vegas, NV. Info: 5055 Wilshire Blvd., Fifth Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90036; tel: (323) 525-2290 or (212) 246-5897; website: www.showest.com. *March 4-7, 2002.*

April

NAB2002, Las Vegas NV. Info: National Association of Broadcasters, 1771 N Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036; tel: (202) 429-5300; fax: (202) 775-3520; website: www.nab.org/conventions/. *April 6-11, 2002.*

SMPTE Activities

Las Vegas, NV

SMPTE Summit at NAB 2002. *April 6-7, 2002.*

Pasadena, CA

144th Technical Conference & Exhibition. *October 23-26, 2002.*

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News

Second Term for Girod

Carlos Girod Jr., P.E., SMPTE Director of Engineering, has been re-elected chairman of ISO Technical Committee TC 36—Cinematography, for the term beginning January 2002 and ending December 2004. The ISO Technical Management Board resolution 84/2001 re-appointed Girod, who has served as chairman since 1995. A description of ISO/TC 36 activities appears in the October 2001 *SMPTE Journal*, Vol. 110, No. 10. pp. 666-670.

Holman Wins Scientific Oscar

Tomlinson M. Holman, TMH Corp., was announced a winner of an Academy Award for scientific, engineering and technical achievements, specifically "for the research and systems integration resulting in the improvement of motion picture loud-speaker systems."

Holman's career is distinguished



Carlos Girod Jr., P.E. Tomlinson M. Holman

by leading entire industries with quantum improvements to the artist's ability to connect with the audience via reproduced sound and the moving image. He is the technical architect of Skywalker Ranch and invented the original THX businesses that were named for him. His current projects include next generation cinema systems for homes and exhibition theaters.

IMAX Completes DPI Spin-off

Winding up a previously announced transaction, IMAX Corp. has sold the shares and assets of its wholly owned subsidiary, Digital Projection Intl. Ltd., consisting mainly of its staging, rental, and fixed-installations business, to DPI chief executive officer and managing director Brian

Critchley. IMAX will retain the rights and technology to develop high-end digital cinema, including the use of Texas Instruments' DLP Cinema technology in large format, and other key patents and intellectual property related to the conversion of film to digital images.

ASTM Goes International

The American Society of Testing and Material, (ASTM), one of the world's largest voluntary standards development organizations, has added the word "International" to its name in an effort to reinforce the openness of its standards development process to worldwide input as well as reflecting the global application and use of those standards.

Notes ASTM International's president James A. Thomas: "From its inception, the ASTM method of developing standards has been based on consensus without borders; our process ensures that interested individuals and organizations representing industry, academia, consumers, and governments alike, all have an equal vote in determining a standard's content."