



GIS Day @ KU

The GIS Day Planning Committee
would like to welcome you to the
7th Annual Symposium

Pearls take 7 years...lemons ripen in 2.

- Through the hard work of a dedicated group of students, staff, and faculty, GIS Day @ KU has grown by a factor of **10x in funds**, **5x in sponsors**, and **4x in attendance** in the last five years.
 - Over 300 people attended in 2007

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- Web statistics from GIS Day 2007 and 2006:
 - 2007: 1114 views and 2781 downloads (+4223)
 - 2007 Video: 348 views and 483 downloads
 - 2006: 1407 views and 737 downloads
 - Numbers from KU ScholarWorks only
- GIS Day @ KU website (9/1/07-9/1/08)
 - 2,185 unique IP addresses

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 - MA student, Department of Geography
- **Joshua Campbell** – Speakers and Sponsors
 - PhD candidate, Department of Geography

Vision

- To create a compelling and entertaining event that will appeal to GIS users (academic, business, and government) through interesting presentations and Q&A sessions
- Strengthen the local GIS community
- Focus on innovative developments and applications of geospatial technology

Focus for this year

- Developments in Free and Open Source Software for Geospatial (FOSS4G)
 - Web mapping with MapServer
 - FOSS4G as a disruptive innovation (!)
- Advances in Spatial Modeling
 - Water Resources
 - Dynamic Systems Representation
- Historical Database Development
 - How do we save and utilize legacy data?

Hybrid FOSS4G/ESRI Stack



Image from James Fee GIS Blog, November 4, 2008

GIS 2.0

- A convergence of technological and social factors is driving a rapid evolution of GIS
- The essential functions of a GIS (*collect, store, retrieve, analyze* and *visualize* spatial data) are now carried out in fundamentally different ways

GIS 2.0

- Free and Open Source Software for Geospatial (FOSS4G)
- Spatial Database with Overlay Analysis Functions
- Web 2.0 Philosophy
- Neogeography Tools (slippy maps and 3D globes)
- Open Standards for Web (OGC web services)

- GPS-enabled Mobile Phones
- Ubiquitous Data Networks
- Cloud Computing