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## Info Panel

### **NEXTSTEP EXPO 1994**

This year's NEXTSTEP Expo, June 20±23 at the Moscone Convention Center in San Francisco, CA, promises to be a great source of technical information for NEXTSTEP developers and evaluators.

### **Focus on Enterprise Objects**

NEXTSTEP Expo will be the place to see NeXT's new Enterprise Objects™ Framework. The framework enables you to create and reuse true business objects that use industry-standard relational databases to provide persistent storage. The expo presents a variety of sessions that fully explain the business benefits of the framework, as well as its technical nature and how to use it.

### **Keynote and general sessions**

Immediately following Steve Jobs' keynote at the Expo, all attendees can attend either business or technical general sessions on the Enterprise Objects Framework. <sup>a</sup>The Enterprise Objects Framework: Modeling Your Business with Objects,<sup>o</sup> given by Rick Jackson and Felix Lin of NeXT's Software Product Marketing, will introduce the industry's first framework for distributing business objects throughout an enterprise network. A Technical Overview of the Enterprise Objects Framework<sup>o</sup> by Steven Asbury of NeXT's Training department will describe the overall architecture of the framework, moving data between Enterprise Objects and the user interface, and moving data between Enterprise Objects and the data sources.

### **Details for developers and evaluators**

Registered attendees of the Developer and User Conference can also attend several more sessions about the Enterprise Objects Framework, including these:

- ' @Comparing Enterprise Objects: How NEXTSTEP Stacks Up<sup>o</sup> by Vince Jordan of Systemhouse
- ' @Designing Enterprise Objects<sup>o</sup> panel moderated by Felix Lin and focused on developing vertical industry business objects
- ' @A Closer Look at the Enterprise Objects Framework<sup>o</sup> by Kelly Toshach of NeXT's Training group
- ' @Developing Applications with the Enterprise Objects Framework<sup>o</sup> by Mai Nguyen of NeXT's Developer Support Team

### **And much more**

The conference also includes sessions on a variety of topics, including OpenStep™, Portable Distributed Objects™, and NEXTIME. Some favorites from previous conferences will be back as well: Tutorials taught by NeXT's trainers, the Best of Breed Awards, and the International User Group program, for example. And the Expo itself will feature over 120 exhibits by computer manufacturers, system integrators, and application and ObjectWare developers.

### **Register today!**

The Enterprise Objects Framework sessions combined with the Early Access software that all registered conference attendees receive, will get you started building applications with data persistence. So be sure to attend NEXTSTEP Expo and the Developer and User Conference for comprehensive exposure to the Enterprise Objects Framework!

To find out more or to register, call toll-free 1-800-767-2336. Outside the United States, call +1-508-470-3880.

### **UPCOMING NEXTSTEP TRAINING**

Need to learn more about NEXTSTEP development? NeXT is offering several courses in the first half of 1994 that can help.

## **Developer courses**

### **Introducing NEXTSTEP**

A five-day course that serves as an entry point for programmers who have no NEXTSTEP experience; it's also useful for technical evaluators of NEXTSTEP. Three days of classroom lecture focus on working with the environment, understanding NEXTSTEP features, and experimenting with the development tools. Two days of exercise and lab allow you to apply the classroom instruction.

Redwood City: May 2 ± 6

### **Programming NEXTSTEP**

A five-day course enabling programmers to learn about the NEXTSTEP development environment and programming tools and techniques. Prior C programming experience is required. Familiarity with Objective C is valuable, as are knowledge of object-oriented programming, PostScript, and UNIX. Experience with event-driven windowing systems and graphical user interfaces is also helpful.

Redwood City: April 18 ± 22, May 30 ± June 3, June 20 ± 24

Chicago: April 25 ± 29, June 6 ± 10

### **Programming with Database Kit**

A two-day course covering the Database Kit object library and tools for writing database access applications for NEXTSTEP. Previous NEXTSTEP programming experience and a strong understanding of relational database theory are expected.

Redwood City: May 23 ± 24

Chicago: April 11 ± 12, June 13 ± 14

### **Advanced NEXTSTEP**

A five-day course for experienced NEXTSTEP programmers, focusing on advanced features and issues such as

performance, portability, and building better objects. Three days of classroom lecture focus on NEXTSTEP techniques; two days of exercise and lab allow students to apply the classroom instruction.

Redwood City: May 16 ± 20

## **System administration courses**

### **Configuring NEXTSTEP**

A two-day class that presents the fundamentals of navigating NEXTSTEP and discusses installation and configuration issues.

Redwood City: April 4 ± 5, June 13 ± 14

### **NEXTSTEP System Administration**

A four and a half day class that shows you how to administer a NEXTSTEP network. Familiarity with UNIX is highly recommended.

Redwood City: April 11 ± 15, May 30 ± June 1, June 27 ± July 1

Chicago: May 23 ± 27

### **NEXTSTEP Fast-Track System Administration**

A three-day class that shows you how to administer a NEXTSTEP network. Especially for experienced UNIX system administrators.

Redwood City: April 25 ± 27

Chicago: May 9 ± 11

## **To register or get more information**

Please call 1-800-848-NeXT. (Outside the United States call +1-415-424-8500.)

## **MAKE YOURSELF HEARD!**

Do you have a great debugging technique, a new application architecture design, or a hot programming tip? Would you like to share it with other NEXTSTEP developers and gain their heartfelt thanks and respect? Then write an article for *NXApp*!

We're looking for interesting articles that can help NEXTSTEP developers write amazing software. Your article can be just a page long, or up to a dozen pages. Usually you'll create a sample program to accompany the article.

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## **ADDRESS CORRECTIONS**

In "Automated Testing of NEXTSTEP Applications" (*NXApp* 1, Winter 1994), we incorrectly reported the contact names and addresses of two companies. Here is the correct information:

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