
Surgical App a finalist in industry awards

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The RACS SimuSurg App, developed this year by Cmee4 Productions, which simulates a minimally invasive surgical setting to train, and entertain prospective surgeons, is one of only six finalists in the 7th Annual Serious Games Showcase & Challenge Australasia (SGSCA) Awards.

The App, which will be showcased at the SimGHOSTs 2018 Conference in June, allows users to challenge themselves through four levels of endoscopic and laparoscopic scenarios with six activities including simple control movement exercises to more complex tasks associated with using various instruments.

Lead Developer Carolyn Mee said that SimuSurg provides an engaging, fun and interactive way to perform surgical skills in a gaming environment.

“We developed this unique app to simulate real life minimally invasive surgery. We’re so pleased to see it recognised and nominated as a finalist in this year’s Industry Awards,” she said.

RACS President Mr John Batten said that the SimuSurg App is the first e-surgical tool to be created for the College, and that he is looking forward to seeing future developments in the way of virtual training across the industry.

“I can certainly see this App being further developed to include many kinds of surgical procedures, and potentially, tools such as these being used as a matter of course throughout our training”, he said.

To be held at the University of the Sunshine Coast on June 28-29th 2018, in collaboration with Simulation Australasia, SimGHOSTs 2018 is a combined conference that attracts an audience of program directors, clinicians, educators, academics, technology/operations specialists, and game developers. The program highlights the use of technology and virtual environments in simulation programs.

Winners will receive instant entry and \$2,500 financial support from Simulation Australasia to attend and display their game at the global Serious Games Showcase & Challenge held as part of I/ITSEC in Orlando, Florida, November 26th-30th 2018.

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