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Preface

Welcome to SoftVis 05.

Welcome to St. Louis for the second bi-annual ACM Symposium on Software Visualization. Software visualization encompasses the development and evaluation of methods for graphically representing different aspects of software, including its structure, its abstract and concrete execution, and its evolution. The goal of this symposium is to provide a forum for researchers from different backgrounds (HCI, software engineering, programming languages, visualization, computer science education) to discuss and present original research on software visualization.

This year we experienced a 17% increase in submitted papers from the first iteration of the symposium. Seventy-six qualified papers were submitted, and each received at least three reviews from our panel of twenty-three international experts. Twenty papers were selected for presentation at this meeting. The proceedings showcase these exceptional papers.

The conference event itself also includes a special demonstration/poster session and a number of informal breaks, allowing attendees to enjoy a reunion with old friends, find an experienced colleague and discuss topics of common interest, make plans for collaboration, or meet new friends in the inviting environment of the conference setting. We also hope that you find the time to relax and stroll along the Mississippi River to visit the famous “Gateway to the West” arch.

SoftVis 05 would not have been possible without the hard work and contributions of many dedicated volunteers. We want to thank the ICSE organizers for the outstanding support they have given us in providing the venue for this event. We thank the paper authors for submitting their work and the program committee for their conscientious reviews conducted in such timely fashion during their busy holiday season. Pete Hopkins of Brown University made our work much easier by providing access to his excellent Continue paper submission/reviewing system. Stephen Spencer of The University of Washington and SIGGRAPH was our publication editor, and his expertise made our work so much easier. Stephan Diehl maintained the conference Web site, and Stephan and John Stasko, both of whom worked so hard in putting together the first iteration of this conference, offered us a great deal of welcome guidance in putting this year’s event together.

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