INVITATION TO TUG 2003:
Silver Anniversary — 25 Years! — of TeX

ALOHA! TeX enthusiasts!

Please join us in Hawaii for TUG 2003, the 24th Annual Meeting and Conference, where we will celebrate the Silver Anniversary — 25 years! — of TeX with leis, luaus, and laughter.

Did you know that "Aloha" means both "goodbye" and "hello"? We've already said goodbye to the 20th century, and the challenges of the 21st are upon us.

A retrospective of TeX's 25-year history is planned, as well as presentations and workshops on TeX's role in the 21st century.

Where do you see TeX going? Where do you wish, hope, pray it will go? Where have you taken TeX?

Grab your sunglasses and your sunscreen and head for the Outrigger Waikoloa Beach Resort, Big Island, Hawaii! Add your voice to our celebrations and discussions from July 20–24, 2003.

Professor Hermann Zapf, renowned font designer and calligrapher, and Duane Bibby, famous cartoon artist of TeX and Meta lion drawings, will be our honored guests. Duane will have his pen ready to autograph your shirts, books, and anything you have with the TeX Lion on it, when he is not snorkeling in the blue Hawaiian waters nearby.

Please register at the *earliest* possible opportunity at the TUG 2003 website:
`http://www.tug.org/tug2003`
so that we can plan well ahead to have a truly grand celebration of our accomplishments with TeX.

We invite those of you who are developing new macros, methods, and management systems involving TeX or TeX Fonts to submit an abstract for a talk in answer to our "Call for Abstracts". See
`http://www.tug.org/tug2003/callfor.html`

We also invite those of you who have been using TeX since its birth in 1978, to contact us if you have

interesting tales or anecdotes to share. The TEX Heritage Committee, chaired by Sebastian Rahtz, will be compiling a celebratory volume for the Silver Anniversary of TEX. The volume will consist of articles on reflections by key developers and users of TEX and will be (temporarily) entitled **"TEX Retrosepective: milestones and byways on the road to beautiful typography"**

Also, write and tell us what topics you may be interested in learning about through Panel Discussions, Workshops, or Birds-of-a-Feather Sessions at the conference.

* IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER *

= 2002, Nov 18	Abstracts Due
= 2002, Dec 18	Abstracts accepted
= 2002, Dec 31	Early-Lion Registration Deadline (discount rate)
= 2003, Feb 9	First Draft Paper Due
= 2003, Apr 9	Registration Deadline
> 2003, Apr 9	Late registration (at additional cost)
= 2003, Jun 9	Final Paper Due
= 2003, Ju1 1	Slides Due
= 2003, Jul 20	Conference Begins
= 2003, Jul 24	Conference Ends

Keep checking the website for updates and/or join the TUG2003 participants mailing list for the latest news and developments if you are planning to come.

Mark your calendars now, and start making plans to come to Hawaii. We hope to bid "Aloha!" to lots of old, familiar faces and lots of fresh, new ones. You don't want to miss this one!

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