

## CHI 2008 FACT SHEET

- **26th Annual Conference on Computer Human Interaction** [www.chi2008.org](http://www.chi2008.org)
- **Theme – Art, Science, Balance**
- **Location – Florence, Italy at the Fortezza da Basso**
- **Dates - Saturday, April 5 – Thursday, April 10**
- **Attendance**
  - **2000 designers, educators, engineers, managers, researchers, usability specialists**
  - **38 countries**
  - **40-50 industry exhibitors**
- **Event Highlights**
  - Monday, April 7, 8:30 - 10:00**  
**Opening Keynote - Irene McAra-McWilliam, Glasgow School of Art**  
**Opening Reception & Exhibits Grand Opening**
  - Tuesday, April 8, 18:00 - 20:00**  
**Job Fair**
  - Wednesday, April 9, 18:30 - 20:30**  
**Hospitality Events**
  - Thursday, April 10, 16:30 - 18:00**  
**Closing Keynote - Bill Buxton, Microsoft Research**
- **Sponsors**
  - Hero**            **Microsoft**
  - Champion**    **Autodesk**
  - Google**
  - National Science Foundation**
  - Oracle**
  - SAP AG**
  - SourceForge (OSTG)**
  - Contributing** **Nokia**
- **[ACM SIGCHI](#) – ACM’s Special Interest Group on Computer-Human Interaction**
  - **Committed to designing useful, usable technology which has the potential to transform individual lives**
  - **More than 60 local chapters for HCI professionals across five continent**