

Grant Max 2013

### **Persistence of Vision: Notes to the Future**

Our exhibit in ExploratoRio 2013 was fairly successful. While not one of the most exciting or amazing exhibits the tubes will surely draw a crowd.

#### **The Tubes:**

We had 3 tubes that were chosen often and a couple other alternates. For our tubes, we just used standard mailing tubes with slits cut in the end. These are available at all commercial stores such as Staples but can also be found at local USPS/Fedex shops. I would recommend decorating your tubes in some way (i.e. stickers, tape, paint) to make the exhibit look cooler and more interesting. It is also very important to have multiple tubes because the classes come in waves and there could be times where 5- 7 kids want to try your exhibit. The kids come in swarms, never just one at a time. So, when you're swamped, you'll be thanking your lucky stars that you have multiple POV's.

#### **How to Behave:**

Many children will not get what the exhibit is trying to show. It is important to be charismatic and fun in your way of explaining what is actually happening. For our exhibit, we printed out 8 vibrant and colorful pictures such as bowls of candy and Spongebobs. This created awesome targets for the kids to look at. While kids were viewing down range with their POV's, we would make jokes and explain the science behind the project.

#### **Recommendations:**

I would recommend making a poster with big clear words on it so the people will have a feeling about what is to happen. We did not do this so a portion of our time so everyone was asking, “What is this?” and, “What do I do?” Lastly, I cannot stress the importance of finding a popular spot to set up. Our spot was off to the side and we often got overlooked. But, most importantly is to have fun!