Screencasting video based lectures and demonstrations

(Camtasia, Jing & comparison with other tools)

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Resources

Sites:

http://screencasting.pbwiki.com
Steve Garwood's Screencasting site for classes and presentations

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Screencast
Nice Screencast definition and general information

http://www.donationcoder.com/Reviews/Archive/ScreenCasting/index.html
GREAT review site of screencasting software

http://www.oreillynet.com/pub/a/network/2005/06/13/primetime.html
Screencasting Strategies by Jon Udell (coined the term screencast)

http://www.sirsidynixinstitute.com/seminar_page.php?sid=71
Show and Tell The Easy Way - Introduction to Screencasting from the SirsiDynix Institute

http://www.presentersuniversity.com/visuals_screencasting.php
Screencasting tips for beginners, by Betsy Weber of TechSmith

http://www.freevlog.org/index.php/category/tutorial/
Nice little tutorial on how to make your blog a video blog

http://www.lynda.com
Great web based learning site that makes use of screencasts. Additionally, there is a lesson on Captivate.
This is a subscription site - it's the best $25 that I spend a month.

http://screencastingprimer.wikispaces.com/
Great source on getting started with screencasts by Beth Kanter of Beth's Blog. Noted as a screencasting primer this will surely get you up to speed quickly

http://eden.rutgers.edu/~sarazoe/talks/onlinetutorials/
One of my former student's presentations on Online Tutorial including screencasts

Book:

Park, Daniel. Camtasia Studio 4: The Definitive Guide (Wordware Applications Library). Plano: Wordware Publishing, Inc., 2007.
Must have if you are a Camtasia User...I used Camtasia for 2 years before buying this and learned lots of new things.

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Products*

Product	Platform	URL	Price**
TechSmith Camtasia	Windows	http://techsmith.com/camtasia.asp	$299/$179 edu
TechSmith Jing	Windows and Mac	http://jingproject.com/	Free (for now)
Adobe Captivate	Windows	http://www.adobe.com/products/captivate/	$699/$199 edu
IShowU	Mac	http://www.shinywhitebox.com/home/home.html	$20
SnapZPro	Mac	http://www.ambrosiasw.com/utilities/snapzprox/	$69
Wink	Windows	http://www.debugmode.com/wink/	Free
CamStudio	Windows	http://sourceforge.net/projects/camstudio/	Free
BB Flashback	Windows	http://www.bbsoftware.co.uk/BBFlashBack.aspx	$199/$179 edu

*this is not an exhaustive list

Tips/Tricks

- The files are big/Attention spans short
    - Keep your recording short/break 'em up
- Don't forget about loading to services like YouTube, blip.tv, screencast.com
- Resize when possible (800x600, 640x480, 320x240(YouTube size)))
- Prepare
    - Storyboard, outline
    - Do a dry run
- Have a good microphone
- Relax and remember that you can Pause
- Have some water handy