## Ingress Presentation By Jamie Leben May 11, 2013

- What is Ingress?
  - Massively multi-player (50,000 players worldwide currently)
  - Online (Internet-based)
  - Augmented reality game (virtual objects are overlayed on the real world, viewable via the phone app)
  - Made by Google's "Niantic Labs"
- Who can play?
  - Anyone with an Android phone
  - o Currently in "closed beta", need an invite
- How do you play?
  - Download app to your phone
  - Play through training program
  - Choose a "faction"
  - Find portals
    - Portals are persistent items in game
    - Portals are found worldwide
    - Typically on "points of interest": art, museums, libraries, etc., placed by Niantic based on suggestions submitted by players.
    - www.ingress.com/intel has a map: need an account to access it
  - Move within range of a portal, actions include:
    - Hack to get resonators, XMPs, keys, power cubes, media
    - Deploy "resonators"
    - Upgrade resonators
    - Recharge
    - Link to another portal you have a key for
      - Connect three portals in a triangle to form a "field"
    - Attack with XMPs to destroy "enemy" resonators
  - Join your faction's local G+ group and other open Ingress groups
- Why play?
  - o Exercise
  - See new things
  - Meet (many) new people
    - Events
      - Large fields
      - High level portals