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Microsoft Certified Master (MCM) and Microsoft Certified Solutions Master (MCSM) Offering Event Based Testing

1 month ago by [Cindy McCormack](#)

The Microsoft Learning and Advanced Certification team is excited to begin offering testing for the MCM and MCSM Knowledge and Qualification Lab exams at upcoming Microsoft events*. Hosted Events: February 3, 2013 - TechReady16, Redmond, WA USA...

Reminder-Microsoft Certified Master (MCM) and Microsoft Certified Solutions Master (MCSM) Registration Offline Dec 18-21st, 2012

1 month ago by [Cindy McCormack](#)

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Introducing our latest SQL Server 2008 Microsoft Certified Master - Tim Chapman

1 month ago by [boB 'The Tool Man' Taylor](#)

Tim Chapman is a Dedicated Premier Field Engineer with Microsoft where he specializes in training and working with large customers on performance tuning, high availability, and disaster recovery. Tim has been working with SQL Server since the SQL 2000...

Introducing our latest SQL Server 2008 Microsoft Certified Master - Thomas LaRock

1 month ago by [boB 'The Tool Man' Taylor](#)

Thomas LaRock is a seasoned IT professional with over a decade of technical and management experience. Currently serving as a Technical Evangelist for Confo Software, Thomas has progressed through several roles in his career including programmer, analyst...

Microsoft Certified Architect (MCA), Master (MCM) and Solutions Master (MCSM) Registration Portal Upgrade Enhancements Scheduled for Dec 18-21, 2012

1 month ago by [Cindy McCormack](#)

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Existing Microsoft Certified Masters To Receive Microsoft Certified Solutions Master Charter Certification!

2 months ago by [Cindy McCormack](#)

Individuals who currently hold or achieve the Microsoft Certified Master credential by December 31, 2013 for Exchange Server 2010, Lync Server 2010, SharePoint Server 2010, SQL Server 2008, or Windows Active Directory 2008R2 will automatically receive...

MCSM: SharePoint Training Open for Registration - Time to Get Ready!

2 months ago by [Brett Geoffroy](#)

It's just two days before the start of a huge SharePoint Conference in Las Vegas, and we have great news to share from the Advanced Certifications team. The first MCSM: SharePoint rotations are scheduled to start in early 2013, and registration is now...

Its back...SQL Server Master Level Training

2 months ago by [boB 'The Tool Man' Taylor](#)

As Jimmy May (@aspiringgeek) alluded to yesterday there is big news in the MCM / MCSM world for SQL Server. In the early days (i.e. when I went through the SQL Ranger program) there was on campus, required training in order to obtain the MCM certification...

Introducing our latest SQL Server 2008 Microsoft Certified Master - Shiyang Qiu

2 months ago by [boB 'The Tool Man' Taylor](#)

Shiyang Qiu is currently a Premier Field Engineer in Microsoft Hong Kong. Shiyang works with SQL Server since SQL Server 2000 in Greater China region, focusing on high performance database programming, database tuning and t-shooting, database HA solution...

At SQL PASS and clarification around MCM Lab Exam

2 months ago by [boB 'The Tool Man' Taylor](#)

Testing has started at SQL PASS Summit 2012 #sqlpass (yesterday in fact) and is well attended. Between individuals taking the exam, attendees asking, and social media comments I thought it was time to clear up a few misconceptions about the MCM Qualification...

SQL PASS Summit right around the corner

2 months ago by [boB 'The Tool Man' Taylor](#)

Please stop by the Certification Testing area, Microsoft Learning area, or the #SQLFamily Birds of a Feather luncheon. See you at the Summit!

Thank you for your patience

3 months ago by [boB 'The Tool Man' Taylor](#)

We had a delay (too many moving parts, I'm afraid) with the scheduling process for MCM exams to be taken at SQL PASS Summit 2012. The 88-970 (SQL Server 2008 MCM Knowledge Exam) can now be scheduled directly via Prometric website. Please use test center...

Current SQL 2008 MCMs Take Note - You are automatically granted the MCSM: Data Platform Certification!

3 months ago by [boB 'The Tool Man' Taylor](#)

All current SQL 2008 MCMs to receive MCSM: Data Platform certification (Grandfathering) The implementation of this policy will allow MCMs to hold both an MCM and an MCSM – it will be an additional certification and will not replace the current...

So what is the process for scheduling exams at SQL PASS Summit?

3 months ago by [boB 'The Tool Man' Taylor](#)

I have had numerous questions regarding the process so I will try and clarify... If you are taking MCSA or MCSSE exams (70-461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, or 467) you will register at Prometric and use a special testing center... As soon as this setup has...

SQL PASS Summit testing filling up quickly!

3 months ago by [boB 'The Tool Man' Taylor](#)

Thanks to everyone who tried contacting us via the GetCert@microsoft.com. There was an initial problem with the alias which should have been corrected. We have had a lot of interest already, and will be closing the pre-registration process at the end...

New Certification Announcements after Our Final SharePoint 2010 MCM Rotation

3 months ago by [Brett Geoffroy](#)

We wrapped up our final SharePoint 2010 MCM rotation ("R13") at the end of August, marking a delivery hiatus until our first MCSM: SharePoint rotations (stay tuned to the MCSM page, this blog, and our program webcasts for more info on the what/where...

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Its Confirmed! There will be Microsoft Certified testing at SQL PASS Summit - Seats will be limited

4 months ago by [boB 'The Tool Man' Taylor](#)

In a collaborative effort between Microsoft Learning IT, SQL Server Marketing, SQL PASS, and Advanced Certifications we will have a testing center, exam cram, and study hall at SQL PASS 2012! The facilities will be open for both pre-con days as well...



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Introducing our latest SQL Server 2008 Microsoft Certified Master - Pedro Correia

4 months ago by [boB 'The Tool Man' Taylor](#)

Pedro Correia is currently the responsible for the Information System that supports the Portuguese e school Program that delivered more than 1.5 million laptops to students and teachers. He has been working with SQL Server for over 12 years, since...



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MCM: Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Knowledge Exam Retirement Date Announced

4 months ago by [boB 'The Tool Man' Taylor](#)

If you have been trying to decide whether or not to pursue your MCM: Microsoft SQL Server 2008 certification this may help you make the decision. The MCM: Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Knowledge Exam will be retired on January 1, 2014. At that point in...



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Introducing our latest SQL Server 2008 Microsoft Certified Master - Klaus Aschenbrenner

4 months ago by [boB 'The Tool Man' Taylor](#)

Klaus Aschenbrenner is CEO & Founder of SQLpassion (<http://www.SQLpassion.at>) a SQL Server consulting company that provides SQL Server Consulting Services across Europe. Klaus works with SQL Server 2005/2008/2012 from the very beginnings. In the...



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Introducing our latest SQL Server 2008 Microsoft Certified Master - Cris Bengé

4 months ago by [boB 'The Tool Man' Taylor](#)

Cris Bengé has over 15 years of software development, database management and business intelligence experience primarily providing consultation and architectural guidance on the Microsoft platform. He is passionate about data warehouse design / ETL development...



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Introducing our latest SQL Server 2008 Microsoft Certified Master - Karl Grambow

4 months ago by [boB 'The Tool Man' Taylor](#)

Karl is a Senior Database Administrator for Coeo, a Microsoft Gold Partner providing SQL Server services for mission critical environments, where he provides mission critical support for Coeo's enterprise customers. He has been working with SQL...



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Introducing our latest SQL Server 2008 Microsoft Certified Master - Vesa Tikkanen

4 months ago by [boB 'The Tool Man' Taylor](#)

Vesa is agile oriented software architect who works mainly with large Dynamics AX and Microsoft BI environments in Solteq PLC, Finland. He specializes in architecting the right solution, performance tuning and he has a personal passion towards tabular...



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Introducing our latest SQL Server 2008 Microsoft Certified Master - Gail Shaw

4 months ago by [boB 'The Tool Man' Taylor](#)

Gail Shaw is a Senior Consultant with Xpertease, based in Johannesburg, South Africa. She specializes in database performance tuning and database recovery, with a particular focus on topics such as indexing strategies, execution plans, and writing T-SQL...



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Introducing our latest SQL Server 2008 Microsoft Certified Master - Ben Seaman

4 months ago by [boB 'The Tool Man' Taylor](#)

Ben has been working with SQL Server for 11 years since version 6.5. Like a lot of 'accidental' DBAs he started off being hired for something else but somehow just ended up being 'the SQL guy'. His career has evolved to encompass...



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