Filemaker workshops

This series is in its infancy - further sessions on advanced topics (advanced searching, scripting and database design) are in the works. If you would like to receive notices about these workshops, please subscribe to: filemaker-users@lists.brandeis.edu

To RSVP, please fill out the short survey found here: https://docs.google.com/a/brandeis.edu/forms/d/1skhIDJ_yb4MvN49fplmEHPze9qJG7QeQ5nsas691Wo/viewform

UPCOMING SESSIONS:

Session 14: Stump the chumps/Office Hours

Tuesday 9/20 from 3pm to 4:30pm Goldfarb computer classroom (note the new location: http://lts.brandeis.edu/location/maps/)

This session is for you to bring your thorniest problems in Filemaker to. Steven Karel and Jessica Maryott will do their best to help with the problems and provide further resources. Please fill out the questionnaire found here: https://docs.google.com/a/brandeis.edu/forms/d/1RG3gqY3MBKaAvfP1nEpY-dLQadQL43CjA9581lorxY/viewform to participate. All are welcome, but it will be a short session without brave souls to add their problems to the list!

Session 15: Introduction to Database Design in Filemaker

Thursday 10/6 from 9:30am to 11am Goldfarb computer classroom (note the new location: http://lts.brandeis.edu/location/maps/)

We will go through the basics of how to design a database, from concept to a functional system. Previous Filemaker experience will be helpful, but not required. Please bring an idea of what you might like to use Filemaker for and short list of the types of data you will have. Please fill out the questionnaire found here: https://docs.google.com/a/brandeis.edu/forms/d/1RG3gqY3MBKaAvfP1nEpY-dLQadQL43CjA9581lorxY/viewform to participate.

Session 16: Stump the chumps/Office Hours

Tuesday 10/18 from 3pm to 4:30pm Goldfarb computer classroom (note the new location: http://lts.brandeis.edu/location/maps/)

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Session 17: TBD (email jmaryott with your suggestions/requests!)

Thursday 11/3 from 9:30am to 11am Goldfarb computer classroom (note the new location: http://lts.brandeis.edu/location/maps/)

TBD

Session 18: TBD (email jmaryott with your suggestions/requests!)

Tuesday 11/15 from 3pm to 4:30pm Goldfarb computer classroom (note the new location: http://lts.brandeis.edu/location/maps/)

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Session 19: TBD (email jmaryott with your suggestions/requests!)

Thursday 12/1 from 9:30am to 11am Goldfarb computer classroom (note the new location: http://lts.brandeis.edu/location/maps/)

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Session 20: TBD (email jmaryott with your suggestions/requests!)

Tuesday 12/13 from 3pm to 4:30pm Goldfarb computer classroom (note the new location: http://lts.brandeis.edu/location/maps/)

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PAST SESSIONS:

Session 1: What can Filemaker do for me?
Tuesday 2/24/15 11 - 12:20 pm  Farber Computer classroom
This introductory session will introduce you to solutions that Filemaker can offer to a variety of processes in academia and research. We will explore a couple of databases currently used on campus as well as a couple of the premade solutions that come with Filemaker. It will also include a brief discussion of features new with Filemaker 13. No Filemaker experience is necessary - this session is designed to introduce you to the possibilities of Filemaker as way to make your office or lab processes and data collection more efficient.

Session 2: How to design a basic (but useful) database
CHANGED: Monday 3/2/15 9:30 - 11 am  Farber Computer classroom (the email accidentally listed this as Tuesday) - STILL AVAILABLE
We will go through the basics of how to design a database, from concept to a functional system. Previous Filemaker experience will be helpful, but not required.

Session 3: What can Filemaker do for me?
Tuesday 4/21/15 10:30 - 12 pm  Farber Computer classroom
This introductory session will introduce you to solutions that Filemaker can offer to a variety of processes in academia and research. We will explore a couple of databases currently used on campus as well as a couple of the premade solutions that come with Filemaker. It will also include a brief discussion of features new with Filemaker 13. No Filemaker experience is necessary - this session is designed to introduce you to the possibilities of Filemaker as way to make your office or lab processes and data collection more efficient.

Session 4: How to design a basic (but useful) database
Thursday 4/23/15 2 - 3:30 pm  Farber Computer classroom
We will go through the basics of how to design a database, from concept to a functional system. Previous Filemaker experience will be helpful, but not required.

Session 5: Advanced finds and reporting
Thursday 7/23/15 2 - 3:30 pm  Farber Computer classroom
This session will show you how to run, save and script complex finds and to generate reports easily and quickly. We will cover wildcard finds, omitting records and multiple find requests. Some familiarity with Filemaker is necessary.

Session 6: Stump the chumps
Thursday 8/13/15 2 - 3:30 pm  Farber Computer classroom
This session is for you to bring your thorniest problems in Filemaker to. Steven Karel and Jessica Maryott will do their best to help with the problems and provide further resources. Please fill out the questionnaire found here: https://docs.google.com/a/brandeis.edu/forms/d/1RG3gqY2MBKaAvfP1nEpY-dLo4rdOL43jCA9581oxY/viewform to participate. We are looking for RSVPs by August 3rd so that we can research some of the issues as necessary. All are welcome, but it will be a short session without brave souls to add their problems to the list!

Session 7: Setting up security
Thursday 3/31/16 1-2 pm Farber Computer Classroom
This session will walk you through the basics of setting up security (both local and Brandeis authenticated) security on your files. We will go over using the built-in privileged sets (levels of access) and how to create and maintain your own. I'll also point out some common pitfalls when setting up security that can have a large effect on performance. RSVP requested, see above.

Session 8: Stump the chump
Wednesday 4/13/16 1-2:30 pm Farber Computer Classroom
This session is for you to bring your thorniest problems in Filemaker to. Anything that you have been having trouble figuring out on your own - bring those questions with you! Steven Karel and Jessica Maryott will do their best to help with the problems and provide further resources. RSVP requested, see above.

**Session 9: Archiving old records**

Wednesday 4/27 1-2:30 pm Farber Computer Classroom

This session will discuss how to handle records that change from year to year. Two approaches will be demonstrated - archiving the records into a separate database and automated finds/record locking. Advantages and disadvantages of each approach will be discussed.

**Session 10: Stump the chump**

Thursday 5/12 1-2 pm Farber Computer Classroom

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**Session 11: Stump the chumps**

Wednesday 6/29 from 2pm to 3:30 Farber Computer classroom

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**Session 12: Navigations and Finds**

Thursday 7/14 from 2pm to 3:30 Farber Computer classroom

This session will show you how to navigate in Filemaker and run and save finds in an existing database. Depending on time and attendance, we may also cover more complex finds.

**Session 13: Stump the chumps**

Tuesday 7/26 from 1:30 to 3:30 Farber Computer classroom

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