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# ROVs to the Rescue: Advancing the Capabilities for Submarine Rescue

***A competition that challenges students to design and build the next generation of submarine rescue vehicles***


Courtesy of Steve Van Meter/VideoRay

*The pressure increases (literally!) for students from the 2008 Shau Kei Wan Government Secondary School (Hong Kong) team as they pilot their ROV through the mission tasks.*

## An exciting and educational competition for high school and college students that:

- facilitates connections among employers, technical professionals, students, and educators
- promotes the development of technical, problem solving, and teamwork skills
- increases the awareness of marine-related technical fields, employers, and careers
- highlights the history and technological advances being made in submarine rescue systems

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**Front Cover Photo:** *An ROV attempts to measure the temperature of a "black smoker" during the 2008 international competition.*

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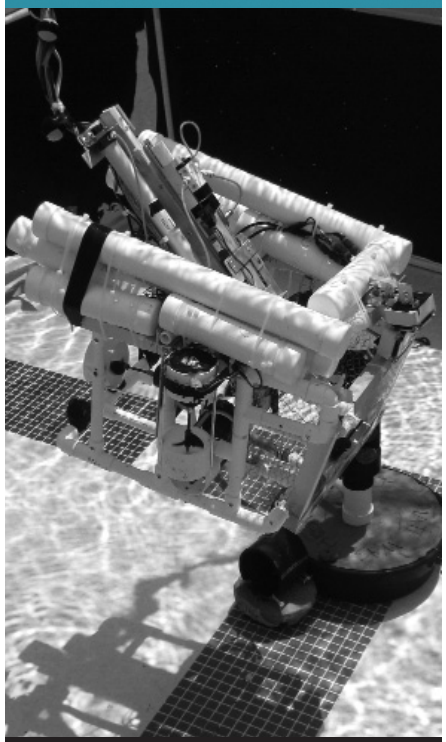
# 8th Annual International Student ROV Competition

***ROVs: The Next Generation of Submarine Rescue Systems***



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# Using ROVs to Teach Technical Skills

## What?

The Marine Advanced Technology Education (MATE) Center and the Marine Technology Society's (MTS) ROV Committee are organizing the 8th annual international student remotely operated vehicle (ROV) design and building competition. The competition will take place June 24-26, 2009 at the Massachusetts Maritime Academy in Buzzards Bay, Massachusetts.

## Why?

Using submarine rescue technology as the theme, the competition goals are to increase the awareness of marine technical fields, help students develop the skills necessary for careers in marine technology, and connect students and educators with employers and technical professionals.

## Who?

Middle and high school, community college, and university students compete. Employers (including marine industries, research institutions, professional societies, and government organizations) and working professionals and working professionals support the teams with funds, facilities, equipment, materials, and technical expertise.

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*A member of the University of California Santa Cruz team troubleshoots an electrical issue on the pool deck at the 2008 international competition.*

## Promote Your Company, Develop Your Workforce

- Help to support the development of your future workforce
- Increase your company's visibility through the MATE web site, newsletters, and conference presentations
- Gain publicity via advertisements and articles published in industry journals
- Include your company's logo on the contest materials, including banners at the event
- Attend the competition and display company materials and products, and meet potential employees at the **Ocean Career Expo**, a regularly scheduled part of the international event
- Post your job announcements on the MATE Center's online job board
- Connect with skilled interns through MATE Technical Internship Program
- Gain access to graduates from technical programs of MATE partner colleges

## Sponsorship Opportunities

- **Team Support**

  You can help teams by contributing:

  - Funds for travel, housing, and meals
  - Building materials and equipment
  - Access to workshop facilities
  - Time and technical expertise as mentors

- **Competition Events**

  High-profile sponsorship opportunities include:

  - Kick-off reception
  - Technical workshops and seminars
  - Event venue
  - Awards banquet and ceremony

- **Awards and Prizes**

  Supporting organizations can help recognize teams by providing:

  - Trophies, plaques, and event t-shirts and patches
  - Company products, such as cameras, thrusters, tethers, tools
  - Trips to subsea facilities or on board vessels
  - Cash awards

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*Students at the international competition double check their ROV's buoyancy before their mission run.*

## About the Organizers

The **Marine Advanced Technology Education (MATE) Center**, headquartered at **Monterey Peninsula College** in Monterey, California, is a national partnership of community colleges and other educational organizations, research institutions, professional societies, government organizations, marine industries, and working professionals. Established in 1997 with funding from the **National Science Foundation**, the Center's mission is to improve marine technical education in the U.S. and thereby prepare individuals for ocean occupations.

**www.marinetech.org**

The **Marine Technology Society's (MTS) ROV Committee** was created in 1978. The Committee's mission is to promote interchange of technical information among industrial, academic, defense, and other organizations in the areas of ROVs, undersea robotics, and artificial intelligence; provide speakers to academic institutions to increase the participation of students in the society and areas of ROV and undersea technology; and produce technical publications related to ROV technology.

**www.mtsociety.org**
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