

THE BIGGEST OF THE BIGGEST COME TOGETHER -Gamescon 2015



Had fun with this year's E3? Well, 'Gamescom' - a haven for gamers, is kicking off this week. It's the world's largest gaming event where video game developers will show off their upcoming games and game-related hardware, in other words, you can't miss it.

With over 31 publishers on the floor, there will be many new game announcements, new demos shown, and release dates revealed. It's the time when game developers from around the world, you had been cooking up some mind-blowing new titles in their secret labs-kind enough to give just a glimpse of it to the public in the start of the year with a release of a game poster- will lay out all the dirt on what's the new game all about and how to maneuver it.

TOP TEN GAMES TO LOOK OUT FOR IN GAMESCOM:

- 1- Dark Souls 3
- 2- Metal Gear Solid 5: The Phantom Pain
- 3- Quantum Break
- 4- Fallout 4
- 5- Final Fantasy 15
- 6- Crackdown
- 7- Rise of the Tomb Raider
- 8- Tom Clancy's The Division
- 9- Just Cause 3
- 10- Halo 5: Guardians

Check YouTube and game channels like IGN for the live coverage of many videos and demos.

● The timing of the conferences is as follows (Bahrain timings):

- **Microsoft:** August 4 - 5:00 PM
- **EA:** August 5 - 11:00 AM
- **Call of Duty:** August 5 - 8:00 PM
- **Blizzard:** August 6 - 7:00 PM



Metal Gear Solid 5: The Phantom Pain



Quantum Break



Fallout 4



Final Fantasy 15

HASH+AG GAMING

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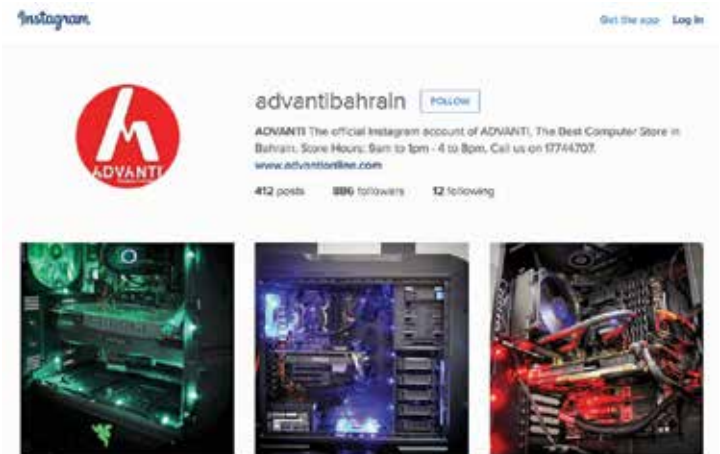
There's a reason we are the masterrace

THE PERSONAL COMPUTER

Last week's column I was discussing the PC as the dominant model of video gaming. As part of a three part discussion on the topic, this week's column will deal with the ownership and maintenance of a PC.

Like I said the only good thing going for consoles in my opinion is that you spend money once and won't need to upgrade for another 5~7 years until the next generation consoles are released. But even then it is not like you are paying an arm and a leg to upgrade a PC; this is a common misconception that to own and maintain a PC is expensive.

It is only expensive when you are a nut that upgrades annually, anyone who is familiar with computer components knows that this is a money burning and useless strategy that will at best give you an unnoticeable 1~3% performance increase. For a more mainstream example think of upgrading your car by buying a new one every year, or a new smartphone every year! It is absolutely ludicrous. I have read online through several PC tech forums that the best strategy of going about maintaining a PC and not burning a hole in your wallet is via upgrading every 3 years. You see my latest build was in 2011, I know that's 5 years but that is because I have been in university abroad and had my other build I called "Uni Rig" which I maintained every 2 years.



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Now I am typing this column on the rig I built back in 2011, why? Because it still holds up, though I will be upgrading come quarter 1 or 2 of 2016. This is the best way to go on about it, some people max out the options on their computers then new tech comes out and they do it again and this is very costly and thus they create a misreading that PC gaming is expensive.

Thankfully in our day and age there are a plethora of helpful guides on how to build your first rig and how to maintain it in future upgrades and longevity. It is very much like a car, clean it, oil it and service it and I swear to All Mighty God that it will last.



Just look at that beauty!

Preparing the youth for tomorrow

Zain Bahrain has kicked off its 2015 Summer Training Program under its Future University Network (F.U.N) initiative. The unique training program provides university undergraduates the opportunity to gain valuable and real-life workplace experience through different specialized human development programs.

Based on their area of studies, the summer trainees were joined by 18 FUN members and introduced to this year's development sessions which focused on Lateral Thinking, Customer Retention, Time Management, Emotional

Intelligence and Social Media for Youth.

The program gives university students the opportunity to nurture their corporate skills under the guidance of Zain experts, who prepare them for the job market and its challenges. The youth development program is focused on feeding the minds of students and sculpting their professional skills through teamwork, collaboration, training and practical field work. It also provides them the opportunity to develop projects and develop innovative business ideas and test them against the real world.

