

****MEDIA ALERT****

PILOT THE 1903 WRIGHT FLYER

**Join Erik Lindbergh and the Microsoft Flight Simulator team and Recreate History
Aboard the 1903 Wright Flyer Simulators**

- WHAT:** A one-hour hands-on exploration of the 1903 Wright Flyer and how, 100 years ago, the Wright brothers launched the aviation industry.
- **Study the mechanics of the 1903 Wright Flyer** with simulated flight footage and an open-forum educational session with the Microsoft Flight Simulator team
 - Visit with **Erik Lindbergh, grandson of Charles Lindbergh**, as he provides simulated flying lessons on the 1903 Wright Flyer and Ryan NYP “Spirit of St. Louis”
 - Use your hands and hips to **recreate the historic flight of Orville and Wilbur Wright** aboard the Microsoft 1903 Wright Flyer Simulator cradles
 - Hands-on opportunity to fly 24 historic and contemporary virtual aircraft

WHEN: **Tuesday, Dec. 16, 2003, 10:30 a.m.**
– *A full breakfast will be provided (RSVP requested)* –

WHERE: The EAA Countdown to Kitty Hawk Pavilion

DETAILS: The 20th anniversary edition of “Flight Simulator” celebrates the first 100 years of powered flight, offering a combination of historical and modern aircraft, superior graphics, interactive 3-D cockpits, dynamic weather effects and interactive multimedia content to celebrate history and recreate the thrills of flying.

“Microsoft Flight Simulator 2004: A Century of Flight” powers the three **Microsoft 1903 Wright Flyer Simulator** cradles housed within the EAA Countdown to Kitty Hawk Pavilion. Aviators of all ages can recreate history by operating the “aircraft” from a horizontal hip cradle, using hand levers and a shifting hip mechanism to control virtual takeoffs and landings in front of a giant panoramic projection screen. “A Century of Flight” is available today at retail stores nationwide for an estimated retail price of \$54.95.

For more information, or to RSVP:

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