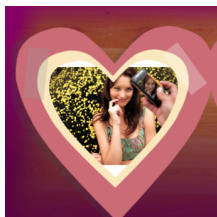


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Share the Love
Microsoft

[Microsoft Shares the Love, but Not with Linux](#)

Via Windows Live and Silverlight

Microsoft has put up an invitation to share the love, but not with Linux (just bear with me, it will make sense in the end). With Valentine's Day just a few weeks away, the teams over at Windows Live and [Microsoft Silverlight](#) have joined their forces to enable users to spread and share their love. Obviously, the initiative is built around a Valentine's Day card. Created in Silverlight, the Valentine's Day card will permit a healthy level of customization, letting the users play around, while they attempt to pour their hearts out on the Silverlight card. In the end, personalization is the strongest point of the initiative. Although similar offerings are mundane items across the web, being able to seamlessly create your own content is a characteristic that has the potential to give the edge when it comes down to throbbing hearts everywhere. If you've got a special somebody, then it's right about time to head over to [ShareTheLove](#) and, making sure that the Silverlight plug-in is in place, let him/her know how you feel. "Build your own valentines card. Click on one of the three buttons below to begin. Finish all three to send your valentines email," reads the invitation from Microsoft, featuring the service that combines Windows Live with its cross-browser, cross-platform and cross-hearts browser plug-in. Of course that the website takes Linux users out of the equation. As of yet, the Redmond company is offering support just for Windows and Mac OS X with Silverlight. Back in September 2007, S. "Soma" Somasegar, corporate vice president of the Developer Division at Microsoft, announced that the company inked a partnership with Novell "to provide a Silverlight implementation for Linux. Microsoft will be delivering Silverlight Media Codecs for Linux, and Novell will be building a 100% compatible Silverlight runtime implementation called 'Moonlight'. Moonlight will run on all Linux distributions, and support FireFox, Konqueror, and Opera browsers," Somasegar stated at the time. As of yet, Microsoft still has to provide Silverlight support for Linux. But the Windows and Mac OS X users can send their loved ones Silverlight Valentine's Day cards featuring pictures from Flickr or Windows Live Spaces, a customizable message and even a tune.