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Macromedia FreeHand 9.0!

Macomedia has announced it will ship FreeHand 9.0 sometime in March. FreeHand 9's new features include Flash integration, new drawing tools including a perspective grid, and better page management tools including a web site story board. Previous owners of FreeHand or Flash can upgrade to the Flash 4 FreeHand 9 Studio for $199 US. Registered FreeHand users can upgrade to the new version for $149 US. The studio is priced at $499 US and FreeHand 9 is priced at $399 US. Competitive upgrades to Macromedia FreeHand are available for $169 US.
http://www.macromedia.com/software/freehand/

Adobe Announces Acrobat InProduction

Adobe has announced InProduction, a set of five tightly integrated utilities for managing Portable Document Format (PDF) files through a print production workflow. InProduction covers preflighting (PreFlight), handling color separation (Separator) and conversion (Color Converter), specifying trim and bleed settings (Trim/Bleed), and defining trapping parameters in PDF files (Adobe In-Rip Trapping). Adobe Acrobat InProduction, which requires Mac OS 8.5.1 or higher, is expected to ship in Spring 2000 with an estimated street price of $899 US. Existing Acrobat 4.0 customers can purchase a promotional version of InProduction (including an Acrobat update to version 4.0.5) for an estimated street price of $699.

Adobe Offers Preflighting On-line

Adobe's new InProduction Preflight Online service is a promotion to let customers experience InProduction's preflighting capabilities. Users can electronically submit files up to 10MB for preflight analysis. Preflight reports are then emailed to the customer or hosted on the web for secure viewing. This service can be used a maximum of 10 times at no charge. The preflight tool is available at:
http://preflightpdf.adobe.com

Macromedia Flash 4.0a

Macromedia has an update for Flash 4 which his updater provides improved memory handling and more stability when defining actions.
http://www.macromedia.com/support/flash/downloads/40a_update.html

Apple Airport 1.1

Apple has an update to it's wireless networking hardware/software combo (Airport). The new version offers improved stability and user interface enhancements.
http://asu.info.apple.com/swupdates.nsf/artnum/n11570