
Macromedia Flash 5

Macromedia has announced that Flash 5 will ship in September. The upgrade gets a redesigned interface, new creative tools, extended support of ActionScripts, and Movie Explorer, a new way to see all the components in a project. Registered users of Flash will be able to upgrade for \$149 US; the Flash 5 FreeHand 9 Studio will cost \$599 US and upgrades to the Flash 5/FreeHand 9 Studio will be \$249 US. The free Macromedia Flash 5 Player is already in public beta, and is expected to be available in late August.

<http://www.macromedia.com/software/flash/>

Photoshop Altivec Plugins Update

Some Photoshop filters have access to a G4 Velocity Engine. This update improves performance. If you don't have a G4 you don't need the update.

<http://www.adobe.com/support/downloads/85ee.htm>

Markzware FlightCheck 3.85

Markzware continues to improve its preflight utilities FlightCheck and FlightCheck Collect. the latest versions offer increased compatibility with OS 9.0.4 and Quark 4.1.1.

<http://www.markzware.com/elements/data/download/collect.html>

Iomegaware 2.5

Iomegaware 2.5 is the latest supported Macintosh version of the Iomega software. It includes the latest version of Iomega Tools and Guest as well as the utility Copy Machine. The package integrates support for Iomega's new FireWire adapters.

<ftp://ftp.iomega.com/pub/english/ioware-mac-ppc-25.hqx>

InDesign 1.5 Hyphenation Fix

Adobe has a small bug fix for InDesign's hyphenation dictionary.

<http://www.adobe.com/support/downloads/85e6.htm>

Apple iMovie 2.0.1

Apple already has a fix for iMovie 2 which is included on every new iMac, Power Mac G4 and Power Mac G4 Cube. iMovie 2 will also be available commercially from the Apple Store in September. The 2.0.1 updater works only on version 2.0.

<http://asu.info.apple.com/swupdates.nsf/artnum/n11789>

iMovie 1.02 is still available as a free download (Apple says it requires a Power Mac G4 or PowerBook FireWire but reports say it works on other machines).

<http://asu.info.apple.com/swupdates.nsf/artnum/n11641>