



Autodesk Expands Options for Mac Users

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Autodesk and Parallels Team to Support Mac Virtualization for AutoCAD, AutoCAD LT, Autodesk Inventor Professional, 3ds Max and Revit Software

SAN RAFAEL, Calif., Sept. 24 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Autodesk, Inc. (Nasdaq: ADSK), a leader in 2D and 3D design, engineering and entertainment software, and Parallels, a worldwide leader in virtualization and automation software, announced that they have signed an agreement to make Parallels Desktop for Mac Autodesk's preferred Mac virtualization software.

Autodesk will now support use of *AutoCAD* software, *AutoCAD LT* software, *Autodesk Inventor Professional* software, *Autodesk 3ds Max* software, *Autodesk 3ds Max Design* software and the *Autodesk Revit* software platform for *building information modeling (BIM)* on Mac OS X via Parallels Desktop. Autodesk added official support for these products on the Mac via Boot Camp earlier this year.

"Autodesk customers are increasingly working with both Mac and Windows, and have asked us to support Mac virtualization," said *Chris Bradshaw*, Autodesk chief marketing officer. "Today we are pleased to welcome Parallels as a partner and Parallels Desktop as our preferred Mac virtualization software. This is the latest step in Autodesk's ongoing efforts to support our customers on the Mac, who will now be able to use some of our most popular 2D and 3D design, engineering and entertainment software alongside Mac OS X, in addition to the five native Mac applications we currently offer."

"Parallels Desktop for Mac enables over two million users to run Windows-based applications seamlessly and simply on their Mac," said *Serguei Belousov*, chief executive officer of Parallels. "Autodesk has a long history of creating innovative and industry-leading software for design, engineering and entertainment, and we've heard many requests from customers interested in using their Autodesk applications with Parallels. We are delighted to partner with Autodesk to help make this software more broadly available to the Mac community."

With the launch of the *Autodesk Alias* family of software for Mac OS X earlier this year, Autodesk now offers six native Mac OS X applications for the entertainment, multimedia and design industries, including *Autodesk SketchBook Pro*, *Autodesk Maya*, *Autodesk Mudbox* and *Autodesk Stitcher Unlimited* software. For more information about Autodesk Mac support, visit <http://www.autodesk.com/mac>.

About Parallels -- Optimized Computing

Parallels is a worldwide leader in virtualization and automation software that optimizes computing for consumers, businesses and cloud services providers across all major hardware, operating systems and virtualization platforms. Founded in 1999, Parallels is a fast-growing company with 700 employees in North America, Europe and Asia. For more information, please visit www.parallels.com.

About Autodesk

Autodesk, Inc., is a world leader in 2D and 3D design and engineering software for the manufacturing, building and construction, and media and entertainment markets. Since its introduction of *AutoCAD* software in 1982, Autodesk has developed the broadest portfolio of state-of-the-art Digital Prototyping solutions to help customers experience their ideas before they are real. Fortune 1000 companies rely on Autodesk for the tools to visualize, simulate and analyze real-world performance early in the design process to save time and money, enhance quality and foster innovation. For additional information about Autodesk, visit www.autodesk.com.

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