



Discreet Showcases Its Award-Winning cleaner and combustion Software at Macworld Expo and Conference

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Multiple OS X Product Updates Reinforce Discreet's Commitment to the Macintosh Platform

From the show floor of MacWorld today, Discreet, a division of Autodesk Inc. (Nasdaq:ADSK), announced new updates to its award-winning Macintosh(R) OS X software products cleaner(TM) 6.01 and combustion(R) 2.1. New in cleaner 6.01, Discreet's professional video and audio encoding software solution, is support for the Kinoma(R) 1.5 exporter that allows video playback on Palm OS 5 based PDAs. This week, Macworld show attendees can see video playback on the Sony(R) Clie(R) and enter to win one at the Discreet booth. combustion 2.1, Discreet's unified paint, animation and 3D compositing software application, is now accessible to a wider range of creative professionals at the newly announced price of US \$995. With these software updates, Discreet stays committed to the Apple Macintosh community and the desktop video professional market.

"I don't feel like being discreet, I feel like telling the whole world about these great products," explained award winning director David Lynch after using Discreet cleaner to encode his Cannes Diaries series for the web. cleaner(TM) 6 Mac(R) continues to receive rave press reviews, industry awards and broad customer adoption from companies including BMWfilms.com, Chevron, The Discovery Channel and CNN.

Discreet's desktop video products started making waves in the industry with the successful introduction of cleaner 6 for Mac, winning 'Best of Show' at Macworld Conference & Expo in July, 2002. As an industry standard for professional video encoding and the indispensable complement to Apple(R) Final Cut Pro(R), Adobe(R) Premiere, and Avid(R) Xpress(R) DV, cleaner 6.01 remains the comprehensive solution for high quality, multi-format, video encoding on the Macintosh with support for the latest version of QuickTime(R).

Discreet also announced this week that it is shipping combustion

- 2.1 at a new price point of US \$995 to provide desktop professionals affordable access to its powerful visual effects solutions based upon, and complimentary to, the same Academy Award(R) winning technology* used to produce visual effects in blockbuster films including Star Trek Nemesis, Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets and Lord of the Rings: Fellowship of the Ring and Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers.

"For the past decade, Discreet has led the visual effects revolution. Now we're extending the revolution to the desktop," commented Paul Lypaczewski, general manager of Discreet and executive vice president, Autodesk, Inc. "combustion 2.1 gives Macintosh artists the workflow, tools and user interface Discreet designed to satisfy the world's most demanding effects professionals. With cleaner 6.01 we've enhanced our industry standard video encoder so they can deliver their work to widest audience possible."

Pricing and Availability

Discreet combustion 2.1 for Apple Macintosh and Microsoft(R) Windows(R) is available in North America for the MSRP of US \$995. A free update from combustion 2 to version 2.1 is available at <http://www.discreet.com/support/combustion/download/> Discreet cleaner

- 6.01 for Apple Macintosh is available in North America for the MSRP of US \$599. A free update from cleaner 6 to cleaner 6.01 is available at <http://www.discreet.com/support/cleaner/download/download>.

Both products can be purchased now on the Discreet e-store at <http://estore.discreet.com/>, or through a local reseller or by calling 1-866-317-1011. For availability outside the U.S. please visit <http://www.discreet.com>.

*In 1999, Discreet's inferno and flame visual effects systems were each recognized with an Academy Award - Scientific and Engineering Award by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

About Discreet

Discreet empowers moving media professionals to realize the visual experience, transforming their most evocative and ambitious visions into reality. Its range of award-winning systems and software is developed for digital media creation, management and delivery--across all disciplines from visual effects and editing to animation, game development, web/interactive design, and design visualization. Discreet is based in Montreal, Quebec and is a division of Autodesk, Inc., the world's leading design and digital media creation, management, and distribution company. Product and corporate information is located on the Internet at www.discreet.com.

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