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## **Ashlar-Vellum™ Releases Graphite™ v9 Beta**

**December 4, 2013, Austin, TX.** Ashlar-Vellum announces the beta release of Graphite version 9, their 2D/3D wireframe drafting program on both Mac and Windows. Graphite v9 precision CAD software includes a number of enhancements and new features.

Graphite v9 includes an updated user interface with optionally larger text and new, easy to read icons, tool tips with click-through hyperlinks to documentation. New features include a general function tool palette, a new Stretch tool and Copy Item by Path tool. Enhancements have also been added to import/export functions including adding the latest DXF/DWG support, 2D PDF import and enhanced PDF exports. Now based on a Unicode core, Graphite v9 supports multiple foreign languages and alphabets for both the user interface and drawing document.

Ashlar-Vellum president, Robert Bou, commented, “Graphite is still the quickest way from thought to production. Now with the new v9 interface we anticipate that the average self-learning time for a new user, with no previous CAD experience, will be less than three hours.”

Graphite v9 is a paid upgrade for those using Graphite v8 or for Cobalt and Xenon v8 users with a companion license to Graphite. Upgrades are available from previous versions from the past 10 years, with prices varying according to the age of the software.

### **About Ashlar-Vellum**

Founded in 1988, Ashlar-Vellum is the leading provider of precision CAD and 3D modeling software that automates and simplifies the design process for drafting, design, and engineering professionals on both Macintosh and Windows platforms. Ashlar-Vellum's unique Organic Workflow™ featuring their renowned Vellum® user interface and powerful toolsets have earned the loyalty of innovators around the world. Ashlar-Vellum operates from its headquarters in Austin, Texas. To learn more call +1 800-877-2745 or visit [www.ashlar.com](http://www.ashlar.com).

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