STYLOS HD Product Overview

STYLOS HD NEW GENERATION VECTOR ANIME TOOL



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STYLOS HD Screenshot



$\ensuremath{\textbf{X}}\xspace$ shows window is for managing the cel timings as well as the

order in which the cels should be overlapped.

Drawing Functions (1)

Line Compensation

• This function smoothes shaky lines drawn using the graphics tablet.





Compensation: OFF

Compensation: ON

Stroke-in, Stroke-out

This function adds [Stroke-In] to the starting point and/or [Stroke-Out] to the ending point of a line. (Applicable to [Pen], [Line], and [Curve] tools)
Similar [Stroke-In] and [Stroke-Out] can be added, without the need to control the pen pressure from the graphics tablet.





Line without [Stroke-In], [Stroke-Out]

Auto-Snap

[Stroke-Out]

• Setting Snap option to ON for [Pen], [Line], or [Curve] tool makes a line to be joined to another close to the mouse pointer.

• This function is convenient when lines need to be closed to avoid paint overflow.



Sharpen

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• This function is useful to sharpening vertices, such as hair ends.



Unsharpened vertex



Sharpened vertex

Drawing Functions (2)

Join Line

• Gaps equal or smaller than a specified value can be joined by just dragging the [Join Line] tool.



Zigzag Compensation

• This function smoothes the zigzags in line parts selected by dragging the mouse pointer.





After using the [Line Smooth] tool

Reshaping

• This function allows you to reshape an already drawn line by picking a point on the line.





• This function allows you to change the thickness of drawn lines from thick to thin, or make uniform a non-uniform line.



Change Width

After using the

[Change Width] tool

Multi-layer function

With STYLOS HD, it is possible to work efficiently because works can be done using different layers depending on the needs of the workflow.

Sketch layer

[Raster Sketch Layer]

This layer is for drawing sketches.

In this layer, lines get thicker as they are drawn over as when drawing with a pencil.



Drawing Correction layers

[Vector Correction Layer] [Raster Correction Layer]

These are layers for Chief Animators to write (draw) directions.



Outline/Color Separation Line layer

[Vector Drawing Layer] [Raster Drawing Layer]

This layer is for drawing outlines and color separation lines. In this layer, it is possible to add outlines and color separation lines as well as change the way they are overlapped.



* It is not possible to have both Raster Drawing and Vector Drawing layers defined for the same image.

Shadow Markup Layer

[Shadow Markup Layer]

This is a layer for adding Shadow Markup to an image. Shadow Markup is passed as such to PaintMan HD where it is used to distinguish the shadows during painting.



Drawing Assistance Functions (1)

Eraser

• The [Eraser] tool can remove only the part of a vector line between intersections.

• This function can also remove a whole line in cases such as when a line is placed over another.

• The function is convenient for erasing stray lines.



* The part touched by the [Eraser] tool, up to the intersection is erased.



 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{STYLOS}}$ HD [Eraser] tool keeps the tool shape even when erasing vector lines.

Vanishing Point

• This function allows displaying the vanishing point using the Vanishing Point layer, as a guide for drawing with perspective.



* The vanishing point can be put out-of-the screen.

Dust Filter

• Dust is wiped away from parts selected by dragging the [Dust Filter] tool.



Before using the [Dust Filter] tool After using the [Dust Filter] tool

Drawing Assistance Functions (2)

Light Table

- Light Table with capability of saving the settings. Positions and angles of images loaded to the Light Table can be called and used any number of times until they are deleted.
- Multiple Light Tables ([Set] function)

The Light Table function can save the location of loaded images, its offset, its transparency, and other information all together in a [Set]. By having multiple [Sets], you may work as with multiple Light Tables.

Off Peg Registration

- This function allows you to use the traditional "Off Peg Registration" technique by displacing and overlapping images on the Light Table.
- You can instantly swap the image you are drawing with those shown on the Light Table.

• After the swap, the image that was on the Light Table becomes the edit target while the image you were working on is shown on the Light Table.

When you want to correct [0005] while working on the inbetween [0003]



[0005] becomes the edit target but the positions within the Light Table remain the same



Motion Check Functions (1)

Flip

•The [Quick Motion] command can reproduce the book flipping operation which is essential during the drawing process.



• The [Quick Motion] command is the computer simulation of the flipping, traditionally done with the hands relying on the tact.



• Response to the arrow key entries is quick to recreate the feeling as when the inbetweens drawn on papers are flipped using the fingers.



⁷ This function allows you to perform a quick trial-and-error as keys and inbetweens can be flipped back and forth using the arrow key operations.

•Inbetweens can be flipped manually or automatically at a constant speed.

Motion Check Functions (2)

Motion Check function

• This function allows you to check the motion of pictures according to timings set in the X-sheet.





[Frame-by-frame advance using the Arrow key]



• Advances the animation by one frame at a time unconditionally.



• Advances the animation by frames, skipping those without any changes. Frame 31 Frame 31 Frame 32 Pressing the key skips all frames without motion Frame 33 Frame 34

Frame 35

Frame 35

Directing Functions (1)

Shadow Markup



Before adding Shadow Markup



After adding Shadow Markup

 This function allows you to create a [Shadow Markup] layer for including [Shadow Markups] on the data to be sent to the finishing (painting) process. On the Shadow Markup layer, you can add Shadow Markups, Highlight Markups, and Transparency Markups by using the [Fill] tool. • Since the Shadow Markup can be processed by PaintMan HD as such, directions regarding shadows are transmitted to downstream processes by passing only the image.

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Vector Drawing Layer(32bit)

Frame Layer

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Vector Drawing Layer

Shooting Direction Markup





Before adding Shooting direction Markup





After adding Shooting Markup

• The frame for Shooting Markup (e.g., frame scale for T.U. (track up)) can be created on the [Frame] layer.

• Other directions related to Shooting Markup can be written on the [Markup] layer so that they can be passed onto downstream processes.



• Directions for [Layout], [Keys], etc. drawing corrections are given using an overlapping [Corrections] layer, similarly to when giving directions for correcting drawings on paper.

• As the layer for drawing corrections can be passed on separately from the original Drawing layer, the directions for corrections can be passed by passing the image only.

Batch Processing function

- [Batch processing] refers to a series of predefined processes executed on a large amount of image files.
- In STYLOS HD, [Batch Palette] is used for batch processing.
- By default, the batch set includes [Change Width]. However, the user can create his/her own set.



Export Function

Scene Folder Conversion

• This function allows you to convert the drawing data from [STYLOS HD Drawing Scene Folder] to [Finished Drawing Scene Folder] for passing them to the finishing (paint) process. Simultaneously, the conversion function converts the image data from DGA format which is exclusive for drawings to a suitable format for PaintMan HD to load, such as CEL or general raster.



Export to General Raster Image Format

• This function allows you to export the image data to a general raster image format for passing the image data to a software other than the RETAS!PRO series.

• Export is possible on a scene, or on an image basis.

[Supported Export General Raster Image Formats]	
BMP	
PICT	
PNG	
RAW	
SGI	
SOFTIMAGE	
TARGA	
TIFF	

Export to EPS, SWF

• Data of drawings in vector format can be exported to general vector formats such as EPS and SWF.





[Example of Export to SWF]

Management Functions (1)

Image Browsing

• Using the Image Browsing function in the [File Browser] window, you will be able to access to all image data easily.

• This function is convenient when you need to check the content of a large amount of images such as in [Inbetween Check or Cel Check].

Schedule function

• This function allows you to record the progress of each process for the scene folder and enter data such as the person in charge and/or the finished date.

• This function is convenient for checking the scene progress history.



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Management Functions (2)

Message Board

• This function allows you to write directions, cautions, and messages to downstream processes in text format. • You can also attach image files to comments.

Handwriting Memo

• This function allows you to insert diagrams and drawings to better explain directions, cautions, and messages to downstream processes. • Handwriting Memo may comprise multiple pages.

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Working Environment Improvements (1)



Full Screen mode

• This function allows you to view the Cel window at full screen by hiding other windows as well as palettes.



Multi-View function

This function allows you to open multiple windows on one image.
This function also allows you have an amplified image along with a "Fit on Screen" image.



Working Environment Improvements (2)

Multiple Undo-Redo

- This function allows you to undo multiple operations. (Maximum 20)This function allows you to redo the undone operations. (Maximum 20)



Shortcut Customization function

• The usability has been improved as a result of the support for [shortcut] assignment customization.

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∎OS

- Microsoft Windows English Operating System (OS) 2000 Professional (Service Pack2 or higher necessary) XP Home Edition XP Professional
- *1 Internet Explorer 5.01 or higher necessary.
- *2 QuickTime 6.0 or higher recommended.

■CPU unit

PC/AT compatible machines only. Personal computers with the above mentioned OS preinstalled.

- *1 Environment where the above mentioned OS operates comfortably.
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■CPU

Intel® Pentium® or compatible processor 800 MHz or higher (2.0 GHz or higher recommended)

■Memory (**1)

512 MB or more necessary (1.0 GB or more recommended)

■Free space on HDD (**1)

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Monitor

XGA (1024x768) or higher resolution display, full-color (24 bits, 16.7 million colors)

■Graphics Tablet WACOM tablet FAVO, Intuos, Cintiq, PL series, etc.

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