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Ashlar-Vellum™ Releases Cobalt™, Xenon™ & Argon™ version 8 Service Pack 1

December 9, 2008, Austin, TX. Ashlar-Vellum announced today the release of Service Pack 1 for Cobalt, Xenon and Argon version 8, their trio of products for 3D modeling.

Ashlar-Vellum President, Robert Bou, commented, "This Service Pack delivers significant performance advantages for our MAC customers and has hundreds of small enhancements that will benefit every user."

The highlights of v8 SP1 include:

- Optimizations for the Intel Mac with a performance increase of 3X on zoom, pan and selection functions, and 2X for file loading under Leopard.
- Lightworks support for multicore now on Mac.
- Materials and colors designated per face.
- Document thumbnails for Finder and Windows Explorer.
- Hundreds of user requested enhancements and bug fixes.

This free update is available to all those on Cobalt, Xenon and Argon v8. Upgrades are available from previous versions, with prices varying according to the age of the software.

About Ashlar Incorporated

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 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.

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