Attainment's

art touch

user's guide

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Installation

Windows

An **Autoplay** menu appears when you insert the **ArtTouch** CD. If the Autoplay menu doesn't automatically appear, select **Run** from the **Start Menu** and type **D:\autoplay.exe** (substitute your CD-ROM drive letter). Choose **Install** and follow the on-screen instructions to install the program. The program will appear in the Start Menu under Attainment Company.

Macintosh

The CD contents window will open when you insert the **ArtTouch** CD. If the CD contents window doesn't open, double click the CD icon on the desktop. Double click the **Install** icon and follow the on-screen instructions to install the program.

Create pictures with **Art Touch** using stencils instead of free hand drawing. There are hundreds of stencils to select from.

Place your stencil selection on the "paper" and modify its location, size, color and other characteristics. Choose from a variety of backgrounds or use the blank white paper. Pictures can be printed or saved for use in other programs.

This software was designed with special consideration to alternative computer access methods such as touch screen or switch access through scanning.

Getting Started

The opening screen shows three **Art Touch** tablets. Each tablet has 9 blank pieces of paper. Click on one of the tablets to begin creating a picture.

Creating Pictures

Backgrounds

Select a tablet and the tablet fills the screen with a blank white piece of paper (background). There are 24 different background colors and themes to choose from. Click on the **Backdrop Tray** tab to view or select a different background. Background themes can be modified any time during the designing process.

Backdrop Tray tab

Stencils

Twelve stencils are shown on a tablet at one time. Select a stencil for your picture then drag it onto the paper. Over 400 stencils are available by accessing the **Stencil Tray.** Click on the **Stencil Tray** tab. Each stencil on the tray represents a set of twelve. Click on a stencil in the tray to reveal that set of twelve on the **ArtTouch** tablet.

Stencil Tray tab   Stencils

Colors

Color bars

Color cups

Eight colors are available in the color cups with an additional 40 colors available through the color bar selections. Select a color before adding new stencils. To change color of a stencil already on the paper, click on the stencil (an outline box will show around selected stencil) then select a new color.

Erase Stencils

To remove a stencil from the picture click and drag it off the paper or click the **Erase** button. Each time the **Erase** button is pressed the stencil last placed on the paper will erase.

Scroll forward

Scroll backward

Erase button

Paper Advance

Each tablet has nine pieces of paper. To **scroll** the paper, roll the paper advance knobs—the left to scroll backwards, the right to scroll forwards. **Pictures are automatically saved in the tablet until you erase them** .

Stencil controls

Size controls:
There are four size choices –

Spin controls:
Rotates stencils
90 degrees –

Reverse control
reverses the color
scheme of stencil.

Layer reposition/Pull forward-Push behind controls
pulls the stencil forward or pushes it behind when two or more stencils overlap.

Blur control
softens stencils to reduce detail.

Horizontal flip control
turns stencil the other way.

Vertical flip control turns the stencil upside down.

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Access program options at the opening screen by clicking on the button in the upper left corner.

Personalize

Add personal touches like the artist's name and labels for each of the three tablets. To add the artist's name, click in the **Artist** box and type their name. To rename a table, click on a tablet label (Tablet One, Two or Three) and type a new label. The artist's name and tablet label will appear on the bottom of printed pages. Tablet labels are also used as part of the filename when saving pictures.

Print

There are two ways to print pictures: a tablet's grid of nine pictures or one picture per page.

To print all pictures in a tablet on one 3x3 grid, press the PRINT button below a tablet on the **Options** screen.

Sample print of all pictures in a tablet in one grid.

To print a single picture from a tablet, click on the ⚙ button below a tablet. The tablet shows all nine pictures in a 3 x 3 grid. Click to highlight the picture you want to print and press the **Print** button.
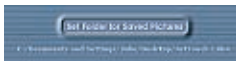

This button also opens the 3x3 grid allowing you to print, save or erase pictures, then returns you to the **Options** screen.

You can print, save or erase individual pictures from a tablet using this screen.

Sample print of a single picture from a tablet.

Save

ArtTouch pictures can be saved to your computer as separate JPEG files and used in other programs or as e-mail attachments. Pictures are saved in the **ArtTouch** folder. Change the location for saved pictures by clicking the **Set Folder for Saved Pictures** button on the Options screen. We recommend that you change the tablets' labels to prevent saved pictures from being overwritten.

To save each picture in a tablet to individual JPEG files, click on the

 button below a tablet on the Options screen. The prompt box on the Options screen will tell you that all pictures in the chosen tablet have been saved in the chosen location. Filenames combine tablet names with number 1-9.

To save one picture at a time, press the button below a tablet. The tablet shows all nine pictures in a 3 x 3 grid. Click to highlight the picture you want to save and press the **Save** button. The picture is saved to the chosen location.

Erase

There are two options: erase every picture in a tablet or erase an individual picture.

To erase all pictures in the tablet, press the ERASE button under the tablet on the Options screen. Press the **Erase** button again to confirm that you want to erase all pictures from the tablet.
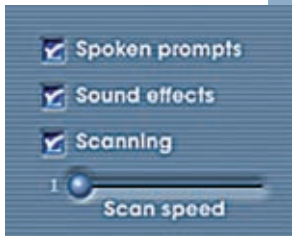
To erase an individual picture, click on the ⚙ button below the tablet. The tablet shows all nine pictures in a 3 x 3 grid. Click to highlight the picture you want to erase and press the **Erase** button.

Spoken prompts

Check to allow spoken prompts during scanning and narration on the **Help** screen.

Sound effects

This allows small sound effects to play from the program.

Scanning & Touch Screens

Scanning

Scanning is built into **ArtTouch**. Scanning is enabled on every screen except the **Options** screen. Start scanning at any time by activating **Spacebar** or **Enter** key.

Scanning speed

The slider sets the starting speed of scanning. Speed ranges from 1 to 10 second dwelling time. Scanning speed is adjustable while running the program using the keyboard vertical arrows.

Touch Screens

ArtTouch was designed with special consideration on accessing the program with a touch screen. All **ArtTouch** functions can be performed via touch screen.

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Technical Support

If you have a problem running **ArtTouch** software, please call Attainment Technical Support. If possible, with your computer nearby, have the program running while we discuss solutions. You can speed the process if you collect some basic information ahead of time:

- Note the error and type of error message, if any,
- What triggers the problem?
- Can you duplicate the problem?
- The Macintosh system version or the Windows version.

Tech Support is available weekdays from 9am–5pm (CST)

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