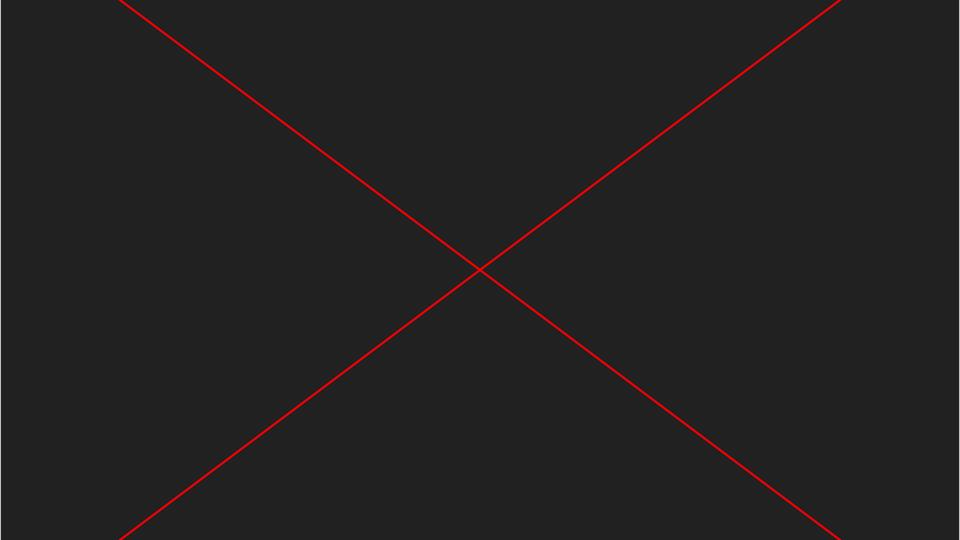


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Blender today



Penta Awesome

Twice as good as 2.5.

Download Blender 5.0

Watch Recap Video



Blender 5.0 splash by Juan Hernández

Color me impressed.

Blender 5.0 introduces a completely overhauled color management pipeline that natively supports wide-gamut and HDR color spaces.



Team Player

Blender 5.0 includes essential support for <u>ACES</u> workflows with the **ACEScg** working space, **ACES 2.0** view transform and OpenEXR images saved in the **ACES2065-1** and **ACEScg** color spaces.

This covers most needs when working in an ACES pipeline. For more complete support, the <u>official ACES configurations</u> can be manually installed and set through the <u>OCIO environment variable</u>.

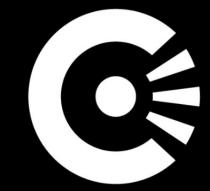
Read Manual

What is ACES

Blender 5.0 improved compatibility with the OpenColorIO configuration for **ACES 2.0**.

When a blend file is loaded that was created with another OpenColorIO config, a warning is now shown.

See the <u>color management documentation</u> for how to make a configuration file work well with HDR and wide gamut in Blender.



Read Manual

OpenColorIO

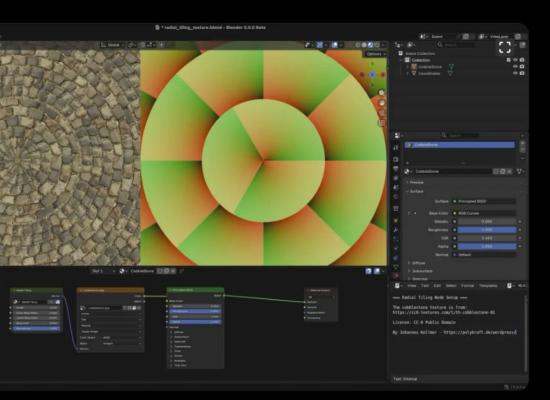
The **sky** is not the limit.

The Sky Texture node now supports multiple scattering, providing more realistic effects procedurally out of the box.

Night & Day

Generate a sunset scene instantly by animating only one parameter.

Beautiful out of the box, in both Cycles and EEVEE.



Download this file and play!

Radial Tiling

The new Radial Tiling node is a building block for creating shapes and tilings, including rounded corners.



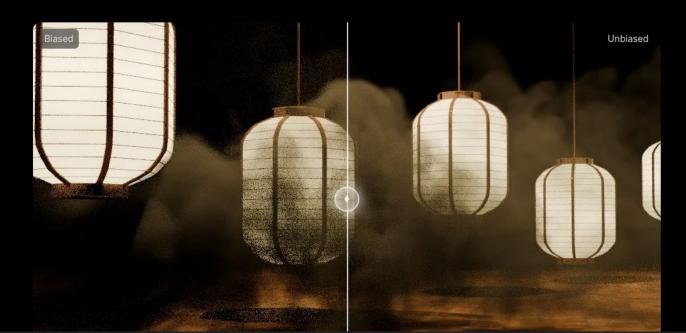


Radial textures with ease.

Learn More

Unbiasedly **Smooth**

A new unbiased null-scattering volume rendering algorithm is now the default. It removes blocky artifacts in overlapping volumes and eliminates the need for step size, max steps, and homogeneous volume settings.



CYCLES

Subsurface **Scattering**

Blender 5.0 introduces a more accurate random walk subsurface scattering algorithm with multiple bounces, reducing darkening artifacts at the cost of some render time.

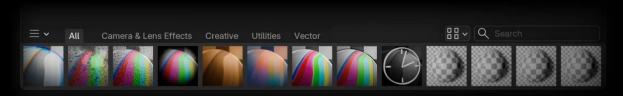
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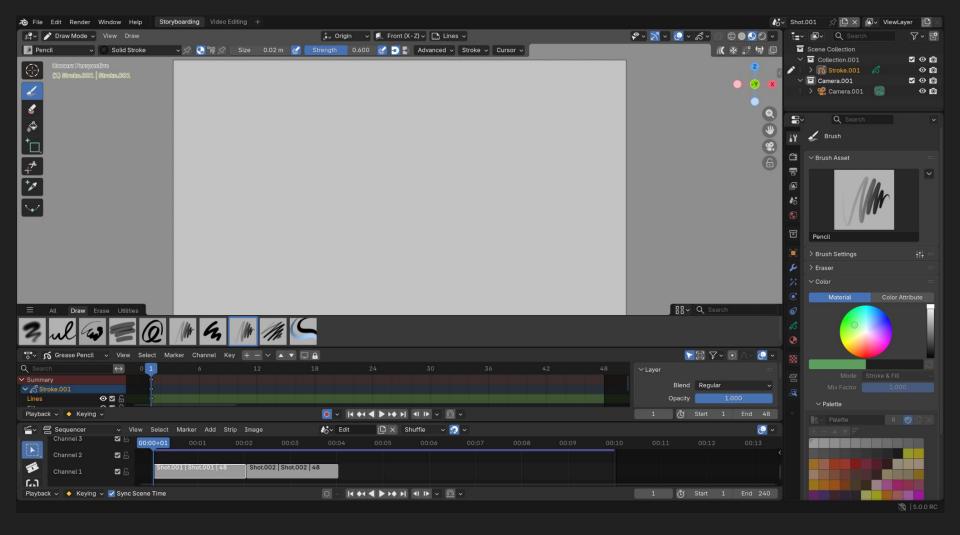
COMPOSITOR

Drag & Comp

The Compositor in Blender 5.0 features a new asset shelf, filled with built-in effects to get from nothing to stunning in no time.







Ongoing Projects

□ blender/blender

Project	Description	Status
Blender Asset Tracer	BAT version 2 for Flamenco	Under Development
Hair Dynamics	High quality hair dynamics modifier.	Under Development
Project Setup	Shared "project" environment for different blend-files.	Under Development
Remote Asset Libraries	Add support for online / remote hosted asset libraries.	Under Development
VR Location Scouting	Support blocking camera vantage points while immersed in VR (Virtual Reality)	Under Development
VSE: Compositor Modifier	Implement a compositor modifier in the Video Sequencer.	Under Development

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Project Storm

A new character to add to the Blender Studio library, and a new system to handle facial deformation.

Explore Content Gallery

Articles



Project Storm

Project 'Storm' has started!

A new character to add to the Blender Studio library and a new workflow to handle facial deformation.

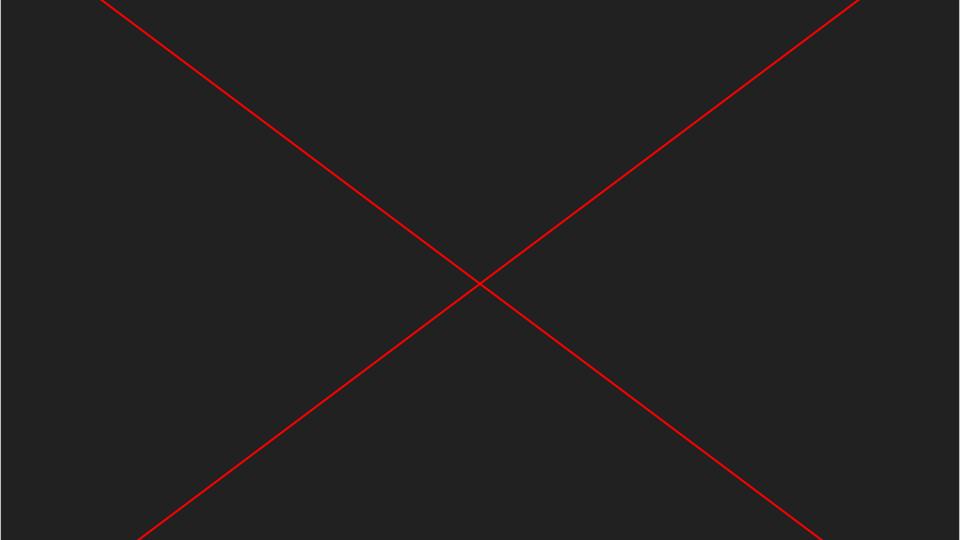


Project Storm

Proposal: Facial Rigging with shape keys

A proposal of improving the workflow for shapekey based facial rigs.

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Open Projects

Open Game



Articles







Open Short



Articles



Singularity

The Story Process of 'Singularity'

Andy is looking back at various techniques



Singularity

Announcing 'Singularity'

Let's set out on an epic space adventure to put





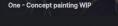




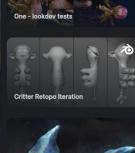










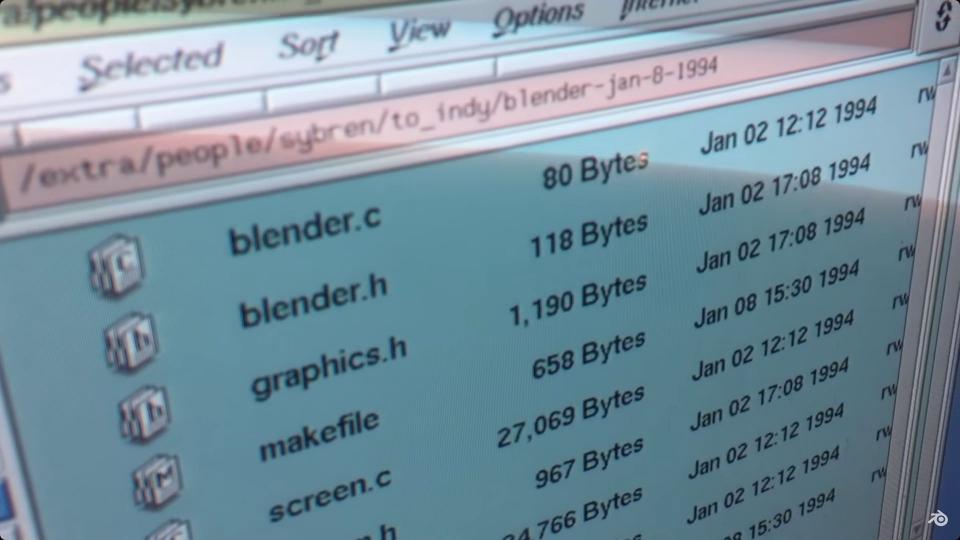




Watercolor/Acrylic Ink Ice Chunks



The Times they are a-Changin



L'équipe grandit

- 60+ personnes
- Amsterdam et tout autour du globe!



Une structure en 3 pôles

Blender Foundation

Public benefit organization with a goal to support Blender as a free/open source project.

Freedom to create

Blender Institute

Corporation that functions as a working company for the Foundation (hiring employees, offices).

Drives and coordinates research, development, and product management.



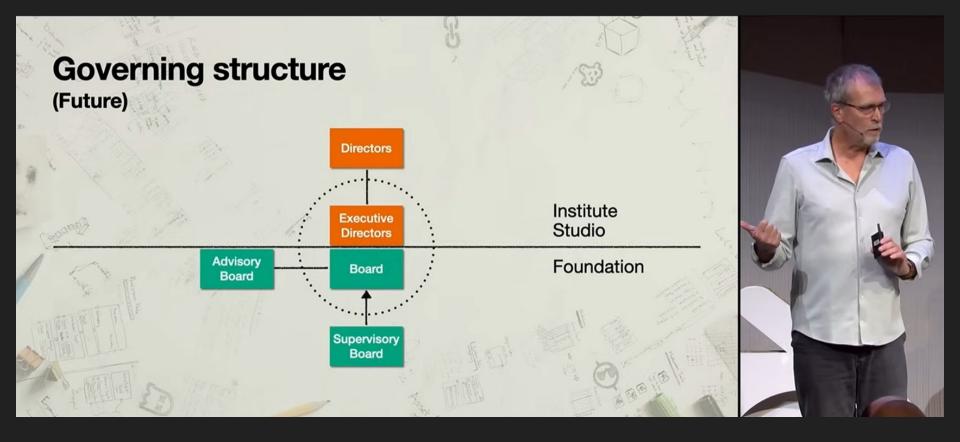


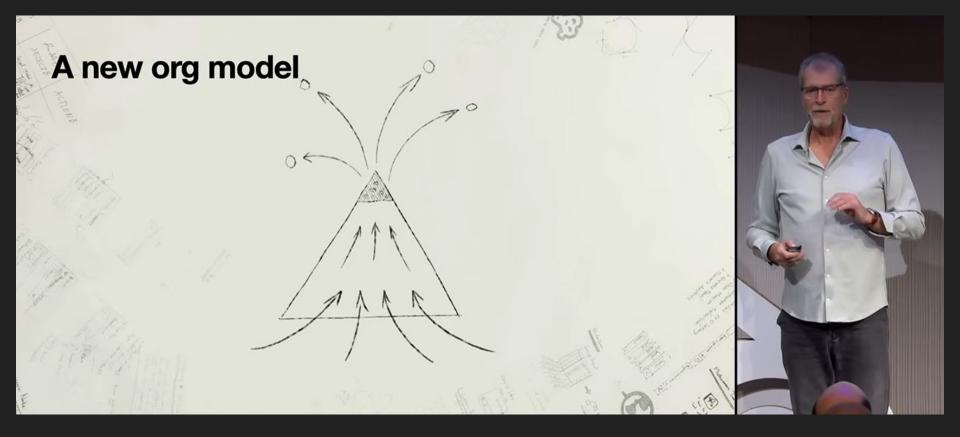
Blender Studio

Corporation hiring artists to make open movies and share assets and production knowledge.

Supports the Foundation's mission in stress-testing the software in a production environment.

Free creativity







The Secret of Blender's success

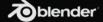
Organizer

Designer

Developer

Entrepreneur

BCON85



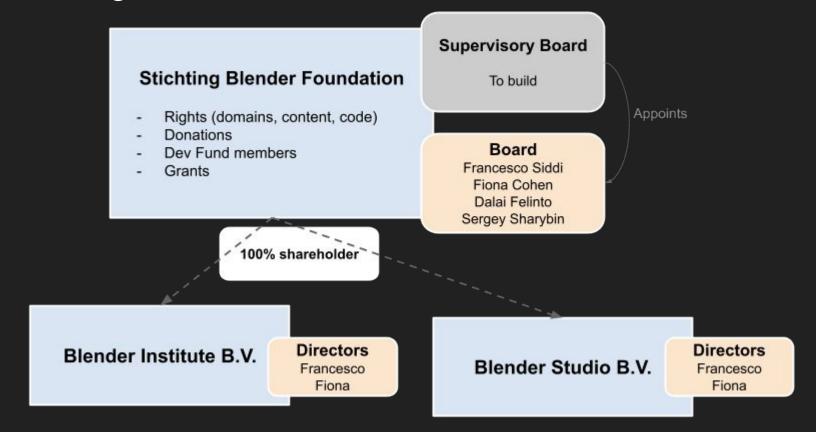


BCON25, Keynote

Nouveau board



Nouvelle organisation



We care (passion)

We share (community)

We work together (openness)

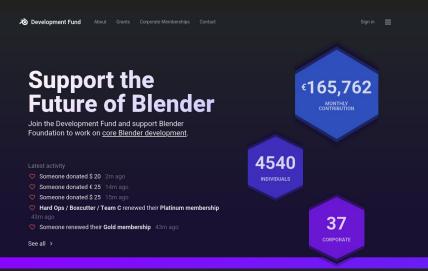
We have a story (vision)

Financé par la communauté

Blender:

The Development Fund

https://fund.blender.org/



Blender Studio:

Adhésions

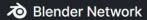
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Yearly campaign!

To the future

Connecter la communauté



About



##

Blender Network is currently in early access.

Blender Network

The online directory of users, studios and schools providing professional Blender services.

A+ Sign Up

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Blender Studio

Grandir ensemble

Get Involved Education Badges **Blender Education** This is a community of teachers who love to teach 3D stuff!

Blender is a fantastic tool for many teachers in many areas. The Blender Education Community strives to make Blender more accessible for teachers and students.

By being free and open-source, Blender ensures that teachers and students have unrestricted access to high-quality tools without financial barriers or privacy concerns.

The Blender Education Community shares resources, best practices, and teaching methods, fostering mutual support among educators. This creates an environment where knowledge and experiences are exchanged, continuously improving the quality of education.

Recurring meetings are held at the Blender Conference, where members present their work, share insights, and discuss community projects.

The Blender Education Badges Project



The Blender Education Badges project is a community project to create a reference framework including badges for teaching Blender. Using this reference framework teachers can communicate more specific about what they teach.

Introducing Blender Lab

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Introducing an innovation space within the Blender project, where designers and developers can work together on challenging or futurefacing projects, to keep Blender relevant in the years to come.

Over the years, Blender has grown and matured into a powerful and complex piece of software. With its unstoppable release cycle, a massive, highly demanding, and diverse user community, natural technical debt, and complex technical dependencies, shipping new features and general

What is a lab activity?

A lab activity is a project that **brings innovation** to the Blender project, and contributes to Blender Foundation's mission. The project should face some unknowns, but also be handled by a team or individual with sufficient domain knowledge to solve them. Lab activities are meant to be **independent of Blender releases**.

What does it look like?

Lab activities are always **public** and **visible** on <u>blender.org/lab</u>. Here the ongoing projects are presented, sharing objectives, timeline and participants. Intermediate builds for testing and feedback will be available here as well.

Applied vs. Academic research

Applied research,

the main focus of the lab.

Developing and eventually shipping groundbreaking solutions based on the latest research and knowledge in the field

Academic research.

For example, this can be achieved by participating in projects organized by institutions such as universities and research centers, where Blender developers offer an advisory role on how technology can be implemented in production software.

Première fournée

Some projects that qualify, and that are listed:

- Beyond mouse and keyboard (touch and pen)
- Beyond mouse and keyboard (VR/XR)
- Volume rendering
- Light transport

More projects that could be added soon:

- USD Authoring
- Al and ML technologies, starting with a Blender MCP server

Get involved!



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