EAZYDRAW

Vector Drawing App

Introduction:

- Eazydraw (yes it is Eazydraw not Easydraw) was first released in 2003.
- There are now IOS and iPad OS versions. Require systems 12+ Free.
 - We will not discuss these here.
- The first Macs shipped with Macdraw. This was followed by Macdraw II, Macdraw Pro, Clarisdraw. There were drawing apps within Appleworks and Clarisworks too.
 - If you purchase Eazydraw you can then download Eazydraw Retro that will open the above file types. Catch is it is 32 bit, so 10.4.11 to 10.14 Mojave only.
- It is a vector based drawing app however EazyDraw will accept the most common bitmap file formats: TIFF, JPG, BMP (Windows BitMap), GIF, and PNG.

Vector vs Raster (bitmap)

- Vector:
- Scalable (math based)
- Small File Size
- Usage: Fonts, Graphics, technical drawings
- File Formats: EPS, SVG, Adobe illustrator, DXF, etc

- Raster:
- Pixel device dependent
- Large File size depends on Resolution
- Usage: Photos, Print material, art paintings
- File formats: GIF, BMP, JPEG, PNG, TIFF, etc

Drawing Spectrum:

- Bitmaps: Using a tablet, draw everything freehand, perfect technical drawings, artist painting beyond the great masters: Almost nobody!
- Posters, Logo's, illustrations; Need to look good No real dimensioning
- Other end is technical drawings: Electrical Schematics, Mechanical drawings, Architectural drawings, etc, need alignment and dimensions
- Eazydraw can do these.

Alternatives:

- Clarisdraw is a PPC program, discontinued will not work post OS 10.6
- Intaglio disappeared in 2020, unable to license downloaded final version
- Affinity Designer is an Alternative. \$70 Allison Sheridan on Podfeet reviewed this
- Adobe Illustrator \$20.99 per Month
- There are technical drawing Apps the Pros use Autocad and Pro E. Steep learning curve. ~ 2000/Yr for Autocad Mac. Pro E not available for the Mac.
- Pages, Keynote, and Freeform supplied applications have a limited drawing capability.

Eazydraw Pricing:

- \$95 to purchase outright.
- 9 month license plan \$20, will apply to full purchase
- \$35 Upgrade price
- There is a free trial version, limited to 20 graphics.
- https://www.eazydraw.com