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**Open Source 3D Modeling, Animation, and Game Design**

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GIMP is a free alternative to

Adobe Photoshop with tons of professional-grade features. But with so many powerful tools and menu options, GIMP can be difficult to master. Whether you're

struggling to get started or trying to master some of GIMP's more complex features, you'll find the answers you're looking for in The Book of GIMP. The tutorials in the first half

of the book walk you through essential GIMP skills, like resizing and cropping images, touching up spots and scratches, and customizing your work area. Illustrated, step-by-step instructions show you how to: -Improve the lighting and composition of images -Remove distortions and noise to make old and damaged photos look like new -Create stunning

panoramas and digital collages using a series of photos -Make, edit, and export custom textures, logos, and animated GIFs -Work with selections, channels, and masks to edit images like a pro -Create colorful digital art, layer by layer The book's second half offers a comprehensive reference to GIMP's many features, including color balancing, masks, filters, and plug-ins. You'll find tools described in

unparalleled detail, with coverage of nearly every option and parameter. With illustrated tutorials and detailed references, *The Book of GIMP* is sure to become your one-stop guide to just about everything GIMP. **LaTeX Beginner's Guide** Packt Pub Limited ARDUINO for BEGINNERS ESSENTIAL SKILLS EVERY MAKER NEEDS Loaded with full-color step-by-step illustrations!

Absolutely no experience needed! Learn Arduino from the ground up, hands-on, in full color! Discover Arduino, join the DIY movement, and build an amazing spectrum of projects... limited only by your imagination! No “geekitude” needed: This full-color guide assumes you know nothing about Arduino or programming with the Arduino IDE. John Baichtal is an expert

on getting newcomers up to speed with DIY hardware. First, he guides you gently up the learning curve, teaching you all you need to know about Arduino boards, basic electronics, safety, tools, soldering, and a whole lot more. Then, you walk step-by-step through projects that reveal Arduino’s incredible potential for sensing and controlling the environment—projects that inspire you to

create, invent, and build the future! · Use breadboards to quickly create circuits without soldering · Create a laser/infrared trip beam to protect your home from intruders · Use Bluetooth wireless connections and XBee to build doorbells and more · Write useful, reliable Arduino programs from scratch · Use Arduino’s ultrasonic, temperature, flex, and light sensors · Build projects that react to a

changing environment · Create your own plant-watering robot · Control DC motors, servos, and stepper motors · Create projects that keep track of time · Safely control high-voltage circuits · Harvest useful parts from junk electronics · Build pro-quality enclosures that fit comfortably in your home  
*HTML5 and CSS3 All-in-One For Dummies*  
 Apress

Create a YouTube channel that draws subscribers with top-notch content  
 YouTube has the eyes and ears of two billion monthly users.  
 YouTube Channels for Dummies, 2nd Edition offers proven steps to attracting a chunk of those billions to your personal or business channel. This updated guide offers insight from a quartet of YouTube channel creators, managers, marketers,

and analysts as they share the secrets of creating great content, building an audience, and interacting with your viewers. The book includes information on: · Setting up a channel · Creating videos that attract viewers · Putting together a video studio · Editing your final product · Reaching your target audience · Interacting with your fans · Building a profitable business · Tips on copyright

law Written for both the budding YouTube creator and the business professional seeking to boost their company's profile on the popular social networking site, YouTube Channels for Dummies allows its readers to access the over two billion active YouTube users who log on each day. Learn how to create a channel, build a YouTube following, and get insight on content creation, planning, and marketing from established YouTube creators. *OpenOffice.org For Dummies* No Starch Press Uses the straightforward For Dummies style to show Linux and Windows users how to use the OpenOffice.org desktop productivity suite. OpenOffice.org has a user interface and feature set similar to that of other office suites and works transparently with a variety of file formats, including those of Microsoft Office Explains how to download, install, and set up both the Linux and Windows versions of OpenOffice.org Organized by the four key desktop applications provided in the OpenOffice.org suite: Writer (word processing), Calc (spreadsheets), Impress (presentations), and Draw (graphics) Other topics covered include

creating and formatting documents with Writer, using templates and styles, creating spreadsheets with Calc, manipulating spreadsheet data, creating a presentation with Impress, and creating and editing images with Draw

*Arduino for Beginners*  
John Wiley & Sons

Image editing is a crucial element in the photographic workflow. Image editing tools, most notably Photoshop, are usually

sophisticated and deep applications, and are fairly expensive. The only open source tool in this market is the GIMP, which has developed into a powerful, multiplatform system running on Linux, Mac OS X, and Microsoft Windows. GIMP 2.8 for Photographers is a beginner's guide to the only open source image editing tool that provides a no-cost alternative to expensive programs

such as Photoshop. Topics include the new user interface and tools, the basics of image editing and simple adjustments, advanced techniques using layers and masks, developing RAW images, working with the improved text tool, and preparing high-quality black-and-white images. The most important editing functions are presented in individual, easy-to-follow workshops. A bonus section

on the included DVD describes special techniques for web graphics. GIMP 2.8 for Photographers has evolved from classroom materials that the author developed and taught in courses and workshops on image editing with the GIMP. The Book of GIMP John Wiley & Sons One of the fastest ways to learn Linux is with this perennial favorite Eight previous top-selling editions of Linux For

Dummies can't be wrong. If you've been wanting to migrate to Linux, this book is the best way to get there. Written in easy-to-follow, everyday terms, Linux For Dummies 9th Edition gets you started by concentrating on two distributions of Linux that beginners love: the Ubuntu LiveCD distribution and the gOS Linux distribution, which comes pre-installed

on Everex computers. The book also covers the full Fedora distribution. Linux is an open-source operating system and a low-cost or free alternative to Microsoft Windows; of numerous distributions of Linux, this book covers Ubuntu Linux, Fedora Core Linux, and gOS Linux, and includes them on the DVD. Install new open source software via Synaptic or RPM package managers Use

free software to browse the Web, listen to music, read e-mail, edit photos, and even run Windows in a virtualized environment. Get acquainted with the Linux command line. If you want to get a solid foundation in Linux, this popular, accessible book is for you. Note: CD-ROM/DVD and other supplementary materials are not included as part of eBook file.

**YouTube Channels For**

### **Dummies**

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Learn the basics of 3D modeling for the popular Farming Simulator game. Do you want to get started with creating your own vehicles, maps, landscapes, and tools that you can use in the game and share with the Farming Simulator community? Then this is the resource for you! With the help of Jason van Gumster, you'll get up and running on everything you need to

master 3D modeling and simulation—and have fun while doing it! Inside, you'll find out how to create and edit maps, start using the material panel, customize your mods by adding texture, use the correct file-naming conventions, test your mod in single and multiplayer modes, get a grip on using Vehicle XML, and so much more. There's no denying that Farming Simulator players love modding—and



now there's a trusted, friendly resource to help you take your modding skills to the next level and get even more out of your game. Written in plain English and packed with tons of step-by-step explanations, *Farming Simulator Modding For Dummies* is a great way to learn the ropes of 3D modeling with the tools available to you in the game. In no time, you'll be wowing your fellow

gamesters—and yourself—with custom, kick-butt mods. So what are you waiting for? Includes an easy-to-follow introduction to using the GIANTS 3D modeling tools. Explains how to export models to Blender, Maya, 3DS Max, or FBX. Provides tips for using the correct image format for textures. Details how to use Photoshop and Audacity to create custom mods for *Farming Simulator*. Whether

you're one of the legions of rabid fans of the popular *Farming Simulator* game or just someone who wants to learn the basics of 3D modeling and animation, you'll find everything you need in this handy guide. [Farming Simulator Modding For Dummies](#) John Wiley & Sons. As a full-featured, free alternative to Adobe Photoshop, GIMP is one of the world's most popular open source

projects. The latest version of GIMP (2.8) brings long-awaited improvements and powerful new tools to make graphic design and photo manipulation even easier—but it's still a notoriously challenging program to use. The *Artist's Guide to GIMP* teaches you how to use GIMP without a tedious list of menu paths and options. Instead, as you follow along with Michael J. Hammel's

step-by-step instructions, you'll learn to produce professional-looking advertisements, apply impressive photographic effects, and design cool logos and text effects. These extensively illustrated tutorials are perfect for hands-on learning or as templates for your own artistic experiments. After a crash course in GIMP's core tools like brushes, patterns, selections, layers, modes,

and masks, you'll learn: Photographic techniques to clean up blemishes and dust, create sepia-toned antique images, swap colors, produce motion blurs, alter depth of field, simulate a tilt-shift, and fix rips in an old photo Web design techniques to create navigation tabs, icons, fancy buttons, backgrounds, and borders Type effects to create depth, perspective shadows, metallic and

distressed text, and neon and graffiti lettering Advertising effects to produce movie posters and package designs; simulate clouds, cracks, cloth, and underwater effects; and create specialized lighting Whether you're new to GIMP or you've been playing with this powerful software for years, you'll be inspired by the original art, creative photo manipulations, and numerous

tips for designers. Covers GIMP 2.8 GIMP Starter Packt Publishing Ltd The exciting new book on the exciting new Blender 2.5! If you want to design 3D animation, here's your chance to jump in with both feet, free software, and a friendly guide at your side! Blender For Dummies, 2nd Edition is the perfect introduction to the popular, open-source, Blender 3D animation software, specifically

the revolutionary new Blender 2.5. Find out what all the buzz is about with this easy-access guide. Even if you're just beginning, you'll learn all the Blender 2.5 ropes, get the latest tips, and soon start creating 3D animation that dazzles. Walks you through what you need to know to start creating eye-catching 3D animations with Blender 2.5, the latest update to the top open-source 3D animation program Shows you

how to get the very most out of Blender 2.5's new multi-window unblocking interface, new event system, and other exciting new features  
Covers how to create 3D objects with meshes, curves, surfaces, and 3D text; add color, texture, shades, reflections and transparency; set your objects in motion with animations and rigging; render your objects and animations; and create

scenes with lighting and cameras  
If you want to start creating your own 3D animations with Blender, *Blender For Dummies, 2nd Edition* is where you need to start!  
*BlitzMax for Absolute Beginners*  
John Wiley & Sons  
Essential HTML skills—made easy!  
Thoroughly updated and revised, *HTML: A Beginners Guide, Fifth Edition* shows you, step by step, how to create dynamic

websites with HTML. The book covers new HTML5 features, including video, audio, and canvas elements.  
Learn how to structure a page, place images, format text, create links, add color, work with multimedia, and use forms. You'll also go beyond the basics and find out how to work with Cascading Style Sheets (CSS), create dynamic web content with JavaScript, upload your

site to the web, and code HTML emails. By the end of the book you'll be able to build custom websites using the latest HTML techniques. Chapters include: Key Skills & Concepts--Chapter-opening lists of specific skills covered in the chapter Ask the Expert--Q & A sections filled with bonus information and helpful tips Try This--Hands-on exercises that show you how to apply your skills Notes--

Extra information related to the topic being covered Tips--Helpful reminders or alternate ways of doing things Self-Tests--End-of-chapter reviews to test your knowledge Annotated syntax--Example code with commentary that describes the programming techniques being illustrated *Plastic Lace Crafts for Beginners* John Wiley & Sons Do you want

to build web pages but have no prior experience? This friendly guide is the perfect place to start. You'll begin at square one, learning how the web and web pages work, and then steadily build from there. By the end of the book, you'll have the skills to create a simple site with multicolumn pages that adapt for mobile devices. Each chapter provides exercises to help you learn

various techniques and short quizzes to make sure you understand key concepts. This thoroughly revised edition is ideal for students and professionals of all backgrounds and skill levels. It is simple and clear enough for beginners, yet thorough enough to be a useful reference for experienced developers keeping their skills up to date. Build HTML pages with text, links, images,

tables, and forms Use style sheets (CSS) for colors, backgrounds, formatting text, page layout, and even simple animation effects Learn how JavaScript works and why the language is so important in web design Create and optimize web images so they'll download as quickly as possible NEW! Use CSS Flexbox and Grid for sophisticated and flexible page layout NEW! Learn

the ins and outs of Responsive Web Design to make web pages look great on all devices NEW! Become familiar with the command line, Git, and other tools in the modern web developer's toolkit NEW! Get to know the super-powers of SVG graphics **A Complete Guide to Nearly Everything** Appress Python is one of the most powerful, easy-to-read programming languages

around, but it does have its limitations. This general purpose, high-level language that can be extended and embedded is a smart option for many programming problems, but a poor solution to others. Python For Dummies is the quick-and-easy guide to getting the most out of this robust program. This hands-on book will show you everything you need to know about building programs,

debugging code, and simplifying development, as well as defining what actions it can perform. You'll wrap yourself around all of its advanced features and become an expert Python user in no time. This guide gives you the tools you need to: Master basic elements and syntax Document, design, and debug programs Work with strings like a pro Direct a program with control

structures Integrate integers, complex numbers, and modules Build lists, stacks, and queues Create an organized dictionary Handle functions, data, and namespace Construct applications with modules and packages Call, create, extend, and override classes Access the Internet to enhance your library Understand the new features of Python 2.5 Packed with critical idioms

and great resources to maximize your productivity, *Python For Dummies* is the ultimate one-stop information guide. In a matter of minutes you'll be familiar with Python's building blocks, strings, dictionaries, and sets; and be on your way to writing the program that you've dreamed about!

**Beginner's Guide** No

Starch Press  
This is the perfect book for anyone

who wants to learn how to sew, or just needs a quick refresher course.

Friendly and easy-to-follow directions will have you sewing with confidence, making repairs, and creating new garments from scratch. From cutting patterns and sewing seams to binding edges, gathering fabric and installing zippers, each new skill is accompanied by a quick practice exercise to try, allowing

you to learn as you sew. Fifteen simple and straightforward projects are provided for sewing fun accessories from plushies and pincushions to placemats, hand towels, hats and more.

**Strategies for International Teaching Assistants**

Apress  
Provides information on creating a computer game using object-oriented programming with Python.  
John Wiley and



<p>Sons Learn all the essential stitches and skills you need to master the colorful art of plastic lacing. 17 simple but fun projects are provided for making zipper pulls, key chains, bracelets, decorations and more, using both 4-strand and 6-strand lacing techniques. Every braid is clearly illustrated, so instructions are a cinch to follow. <i>The Artist's Guide to GIMP Effects</i> Waveland Press</p>	<p>Get ready for C++20 with all you need to know for complete mastery! Your comprehensive and updated guide to one of the world's most popular programming languages is here! Whether you're a novice or expert, you'll find what you need to get going with the latest features of C++20. The workhorse of programming languages, C++ gives you the utmost control of data usage and interface and resource allocation. If</p>	<p>your job involves data, proficiency in C++ means you're indispensable! This edition gives you 8 books in 1 for total C++ mastery. Inside, internationally renowned expert John Paul Mueller takes you from the fundamentals of working with objects and classes to writing applications that use paradigms not normally associated with C++, such as those used for functional</p>
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programming strategies. The book also includes online resources such as source code. You discover how to use a C++ GNU compiler to build applications and even how to use your mobile device for coding. Conquer advanced programming and troubleshooting Streamline your code with lambda expressions Use C++ where you need it: for gaming, enterprise

applications, and Web services Uncover object secrets including the use of design patterns Discover how to use functional programming techniques to make code concise and easy to read If you want to be your organization's C++ guru, C++ All-In-One for Dummies is where it's at! *Beginning Photo Retouching and Restoration Using GIMP* John Wiley & Sons

Have you always wanted to do the things the pro's are doing? Now you can! In 'The Ultimate GIMP 2.10 Guide' you will learn professional photo editing, retouching, and e-book cover design in GIMP 2.10 in easy steps. The book starts from the very beginning, so when you are new to photo editing, that's no problem! The book starts with installing and configuring GIMP 2.10 to make it look

and act as Photoshop. Then all aspects of photo editing are covered, and no stone will be left unturned! Everything will be shown in easy to follow steps. You will learn how to improve and correct photographs professionally, and how to work with layers. You'll learn how to crop images, how to resize images, how to save images for web, how to save images for print, and how to make PDF's. You will

learn professional retouching, like skin retouching with frequency separation, Liquify (for example to make someone thinner), how to let the program remove objects, and how to remove objects with the clone and heal tool. You will learn how to use masks, and how to make selections. In Chapter 5 we will go in to making professional selections

with just a single click (this is not possible in Photoshop!) using the patented 'U-point technology'. The U-point technology is delivered by the Google Nik Collection, a professional high-end photo editing "plug-in" suite, used by professional photographers . The Google Nik Collection and its integration into GIMP will be discussed in its whole. So in addition to gaining great expertise in

GIMP, this book will also cover the complete Google Nik Collection. We'll download and install the software, together with a special plugin that will let you work with the Google Nik Collection from out of GIMP. You will learn how to create black and white images at a professional level with the most powerful black and white plugin on the market, and you will learn how to sharpen

images and remove noise. We'll look at making vignettes, and HDR photography. We'll look at the use of text, kerning text, and how to make eye-catching book covers. You'll learn everything about all the powerful blending modes, and the practical use of each blending mode will be shown and explained. You'll learn how to select hair, how to use and make patterns and gradients, and

how to use and adjust a tablet. You will learn everything about brushes. How to create brushes yourself, the many special effects you can create with brushes (e.g. to create a flock of birds with just a single stroke, or to create grunge textures), and how to download free creative brushes. We will look at a popular skin retouching technique used by professionals called

"frequency separation", and different methods for dodging and burning (selectively darkening and lightening of an image). We will discuss color theory, and it's direct connection to the ways color is manipulated in photo manipulation programs. We'll discover creative filters that bring a different look and feel to your image. The book is created for the Windows (7,8,10) user. With some extra steps however, the

Linux user can also follow along. The book has been printed in black and white to keep the price as low as possible. About the writer: Bernard 't Hooft has over 15 years of experience with professional photo editing, and teaches photo editing at the VolksUniversiteit in the Netherlands. **C++ All-in-One For Dummies** John Wiley & Sons GIMP for Absolute

Beginners gives us an easy way to use the power of GIMP, and enjoy digital photography and graphics without worrying about application features. GIMP is a powerful open source graphics and digital imaging application with almost all the features of its proprietary counterpart, Photoshop. But many of us are photographers and artists first, and we like to use our tools without having to

think about them too much. GIMP for Absolute Beginners gets us to this stage without patronising users who haven't used GIMP before. But what can we actually do with photos and graphical images? These questions are answered in a photo projects chapter as well as a chapter on digital painting: Starting with making small changes to photos and adding information to them to

creating paintings and drawings without photographic input. GIMP for Absolute Beginners covers the newest version of GIMP, version 2.8, so you can be sure the book covers the latest GIMP features. \*\*The print version of this book is black & white, but the ebook version is in color on color-enabled devices. \*\*  
Crafting Digital Media  
 John Wiley & Sons  
 Get your slice

of Raspberry Pi With the invention of the unique credit card-sized single-board computer comes a new wave of hardware geeks, hackers, and hobbyists who are excited about the possibilities with the Raspberry Pi—and this is the perfect guide to get you started. With this down-to-earth book, you'll quickly discover why the Raspberry Pi is in high demand! There's a

reason the Raspberry Pi sold a million units in its first year, and you're about to find out why! In *Raspberry Pi For Dummies, 3rd Edition* veteran tech authors Sean McManus and Mike Cook make it easier than ever to get you up and running on your Raspberry Pi, from setting it up, downloading the operating system, and using the desktop environment to editing photos, playing music

and videos, and programming with Scratch—and everything in between. Covers connecting the Pi to other devices such as a keyboard, mouse, monitor, and more Teaches you basic Linux System Admin Explores creating simple hardware projects Shows you how to create web pages Raspberry Pi For Dummies, 3rd Edition makes computing as easy as pie!

## **Learning**

### **Web Design**

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Go through the steps necessary to create high-speed 2D retro-style games. This easy-to-read-and-follow one of a kind book on BlitzMax game programming also covers some 3D programming. *BlitzMax for Absolute Beginners* includes game application projects such as *The Great Escape*, *Tank Attack*, and *Paratrooper*. These will help you build your

skills as you go. Have you ever wanted to program your own computer game? Never felt you could? Well, now you can. What You'll Learn

Program computer games from scratch with BlitzMax  
Produce high-quality arcade games with sound and graphics  
Utilize the

power of OpenGL to create fantastic 3D effects  
Who This Book Is For Those new to game programming and those new to BlitzMax.