Funding Krita

A Fundamental Challenge
Full Tilt for Krita! (KDE.News)

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KDE.News mentions a new fund raising effort for Krita, a painting and image editing application for KOffice. "Krita development is in a crucial phase, we are adding fun, useful and amazing stuff at a stunning rate. But there are things that no Krita developer can do, because we lack the proper hardware. Krita's renaissance started with a simple Wacom Graphire tablet, and it led to some great new possibilities. But to implement support for modern tablet features like tilt and stylus rotation we need to buy more advanced tablets and art pens, and to make that possible, we need your help!"
Krita Team Seeking Sponsorship to Take Krita to Next Level

At the KOffice meeting in Oslo the Krita team had a meeting to put the finishing touches to an ambitious plan. On hearing about it the Dot managed to lure two of the Krita developers in a separate room to question them and find out what was going on. Nobody got seriously hurt in the process.

We spoke with Krita developers Boudewijn Rempt and Lukáš Tvrďý.

User Experience

Jos: I sensed some excitement from the Krita developers, what do you guys have in store?

Boudewijn: Well, we realized while working on Krita 2.1 that it was getting to that point where an end user could basically work with it. So we were looking for the next challenge.

Lukáš: It was about that time when I got in contact with David Revoy. He’s the concept artist who has been working with the Blender team on Project Darius: their latest open source project.
This training DVD is about drawing comic-books using Krita, a free open-source digital painting software. Prepare for one hour of tutorial videos showing some step-by-step workflow to draw comics pages from scratch and export your work.

Then in more than five hours of timelapse videos, composed of more than twenty hours of recording at 400% speed, you can see the process applied to draw a short story (three pages, full color).

Also this disc contains the work files to open in Krita, the exported .pdf comics files for web and print (including "Wasted Mutants", my first comics made in Krita), and all the brush presets I’ve used in this project.

Happy Painting!

Timothée Giet
Comic-book artist
To support and further the development and use of Krita in any way imaginable, in 2012 the Krita community created the Krita Foundation. The Krita Foundation is an independent non-profit, public organization with the following goals:

- To develop free graphics software, especially Krita
- To provide services for users and developers of Krita
- To provide artists and studios with everything they need to create digital art.
2013: KO GmbH, Intel
2014: Steam
2014: Our First Kickstarter

Krita: open source digital painting | Accelerate Development

pledged of €15,000 goal

€19,955

Support

Pledge €5 or more

Donation. Thank you very much! Your support will help Krita get better and better.

ESTIMATED DELIVERY
Dec 2014

155 backers

SURVEY SENT:
7/28/2014 · 142 responses
2015: The Second Kickstarter

Krita: free paint app - let's make it faster than Photoshop!

Krita is the free and open source digital painting program used by artists all over the world. Help make Krita even faster and better!

Follow along!

Created by
Krita Foundation
Krita 2016: Let's Make Text and Vector Art Awesome!

Krita is the free and open source painting application used by artists all over the world. Let's create awesome text and vector tools!

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Krita Foundation
2016: An Artbook

Made with Krita

2016
2017: Huge Problems

Krita Foundation: Update

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When we posted the news about our tax wrangle yesterday, we did expect to make some waves. We didn’t expect the incredible response from all of you! A day later, over 500 awesome people have donated a total of €9562 (at the time of writing, check the fancy progress bar we’ve finally managed to create!). Fourteen people have joined the development fund, too! Thank you all!

But that’s not all, we were stunned when we were approached by the team at Private Internet Access. They wanted to help us out and sponsor Krita with £20,000! Private Internet Access provides worldwide fast, multi-gigabit VPN Tunnel gateways. They already sponsor a great many awesome organizations, and now also Krita!
Krita

Krita is an open source desktop painting application designed for illustrators, concept artists, illustrators, comic book creators, matte painters and texture artists, and the VFX industry. Krita is used daily by professional artists all over the world.
2017..2019: Working with Intel
2018: Fundraising on Our Own
2021: fund.krita.org – the dev fund

The Krita Development Fund
Campaign 2021: support 10 full time Krita developers!

Join the Development Fund and support the Krita Foundation to work on Krita development.
Lessons Learned

Asking Nicely Doesn’t Work
Unpopular Ideas

● Should distributions stop packaging big applications altogether?

● Should big applications find ways, like Blender, that make sure Linux users get the application from the makers, not the distributions of flathub

● Should flathub offer more ways of sending money the way of the makers?

● Should we start adding in-app purchases – and would those be patched out by distributions of flathub maintainers?