Microsoft Office for Mac Roadmap Update



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Microsoft Office for Mac AGENDA



- About the Mac Business Unit
- Office 2004 for Mac Update
- Office 2008 for Mac Sneak Peek
- Beta Trial Information
- Messenger for Mac
- RDC 2.0
- Roadmap
- Q&A





Microsoft: Macintosh Business Unit (MacBU) Who are we?



- Established in 1997
- 180 Employees

Our Products

- Office 2004 & 2008 for Mac
- Messenger for Mac
- Remote Desktop Client for Mac





Macintosh Business Unit (MacBU) How do we work with Apple?



- 5 year agreement
- Weekly meetings
 - Engineering
 - Marketing
 - Program management
- One of the largest concentrations of Mac only developers outside Apple



Microsoft Office 2004 for Mac Product Update



- Current version 11.3.4
- Time zone changes in Entourage in the 11.3.3 update
- Office runs great under Rosetta MacTech benchmark study and additional QAs at: http://www.microsoft.com/mac
- Virtual PC does not run under Rosetta





Microsoft Office 2004 for Mac When can I read Office 2007 files?



- File format converters will allow Office v.X and 2004 users to read the new Open XML format used by Office 2007 on Windows
- Available spring 2007
- Save Office 2007 files as "Word/Excel/ PowerPoint 97-2003" documents until file converter availability



Microsoft Office 2008 for Mac What's in the new version?



- Universal Binary
- File format compatibility with Office 2007
- Updated user interface
- Customer requested Exchange functionality
- Rigorous security testing



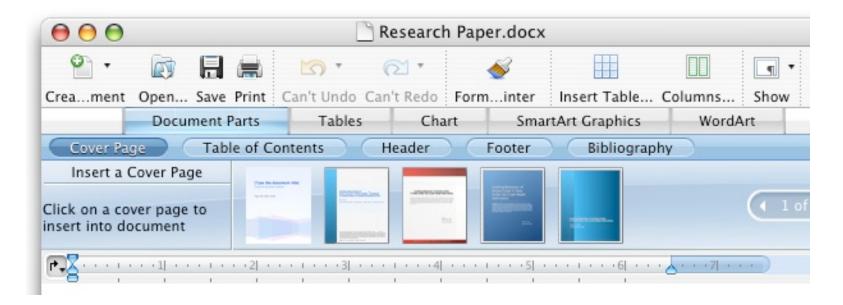
Microsoft Office 2008 for Mac Key Feature Enhancements



New User Interface

- Updated look and feel
- New Elements Gallery
- Updated Formatting Pallet

- Updated toolbars
- Continues with Mac standard user interface features such as toolbars and menus





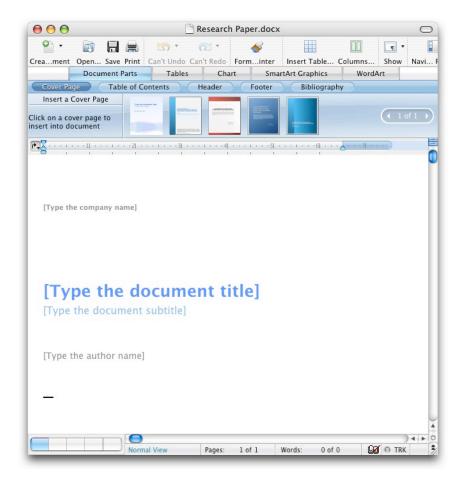
Microsoft Office 2008 for Mac Word: Key Feature Enhancements



Document Parts

Easy creation of formal documents by using preset templates

- Cover Pages
- Table of Contents
- Headers
- Footers
- Bibliography





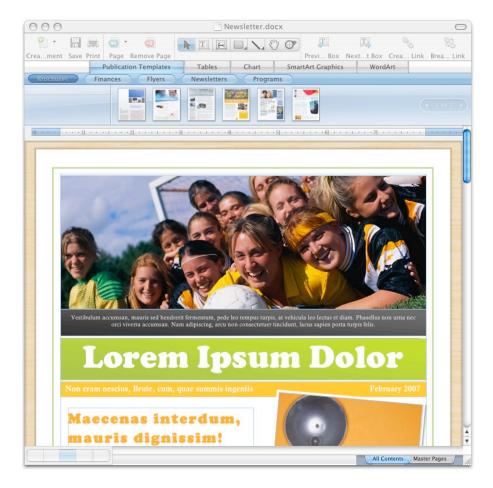


Microsoft Office 2008 for Mac Word: Key Feature Enhancements



Publishing Layout View

- New publishing user interface
- Layout guides
- Publishing templates
- Linked text boxes
- Create brochures, catalogs, newsletters, and more







Microsoft Office 2008 for Mac Entourage: Key Feature Enhancements



- Kerberos authentication
- Out of Office Assistant
- Document retention policies in Exchange 2007 Managed Folders
- Improved Mail rendering
- Enhance spam and anti-phishing features





Microsoft Office 2008 for Mac Entourage: Key Feature Enhancements



New Calendar Features

- Improved calendaring experience
- Updated user interface
- Improved ToDo lists
- Enhances Free/Busy indicators
- Vivid colors





Microsoft Office 2008 for Mac Entourage: Key Feature Enhancements



My Day

- Instant overview of daily schedule, tasks, and messages
- Add new tasks and print daily schedule with one click
- Displays Entourage information even when Entourage isn't running
- Launches Entourage with the click of a button







Microsoft Office 2008 for Mac

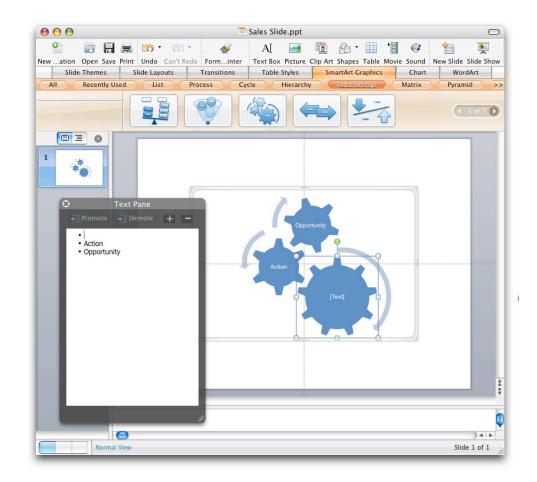
PowerPoint: Key Feature Enhancements



Office Art 2.0

Designer quality graphics for Office 2008 documents

- SmartArt
- Charts
- Diagrams
- Tables
- Graphs





Microsoft Office 2008 for Mac Excel: Key Feature Enhancements



Ledger Sheets

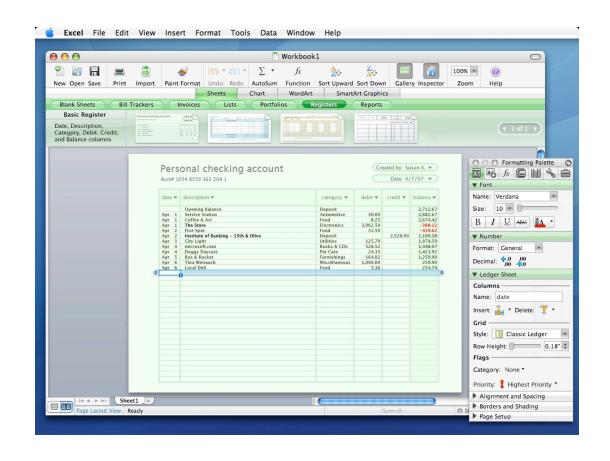
Templates for
commonly used
spreadsheet tasks.

"Big Grid" = "more calculability"

Rows: 1,048,576

Columns: 16,384

Cell character





Microsoft Office 2008 for Mac Visual Basic Support Ending



- Why is VBA support going away?
 - Office 2004 supports an older version of VBA
 - Moving VBA to Intel is a 3+ year project even if we bring over the old version
- What will my Mac users experience with Office 2008?
 - Scripts will not execute, but will not be removed or changed



Microsoft Office 2008 for Mac Programmability Options



- AppleScript (and Automator)
- Resources
 - April issue of MacTech Magazine
 - AppleScript Dictionaries for Office
 - http://www.microsoft.com/mac/resources/resources.aspx?
 pid=fordevelopers
 - Apple's AppleScript Center
 - http://www.apple.com/macosx/features/applescript/
 - Automator actions in Office 2008
 - Additional white papers and guides will be posted to our website in the coming months
- Ongoing investigation of long-term x-plat solutions



Messenger for Mac What are the Improvements?

- Supports Live Communication Server (LCS) and Windows Live Messenger
- Messenger for Mac 6.0 features
 - Support for federation between service providers
 - Add a status message that your personal contacts can see
 - Search for conversation histories using Spotlight
 - Check the spelling in your instant messages
- Audio / video additions for 7.0 LCS release





Microsoft Office for Mac RDC 2.0 for Mac



- Full rewrite
- Universal binary
- Updated user interface
- Enhanced security
- Support for RDP 6.0





Microsoft Office for Mac Server Products

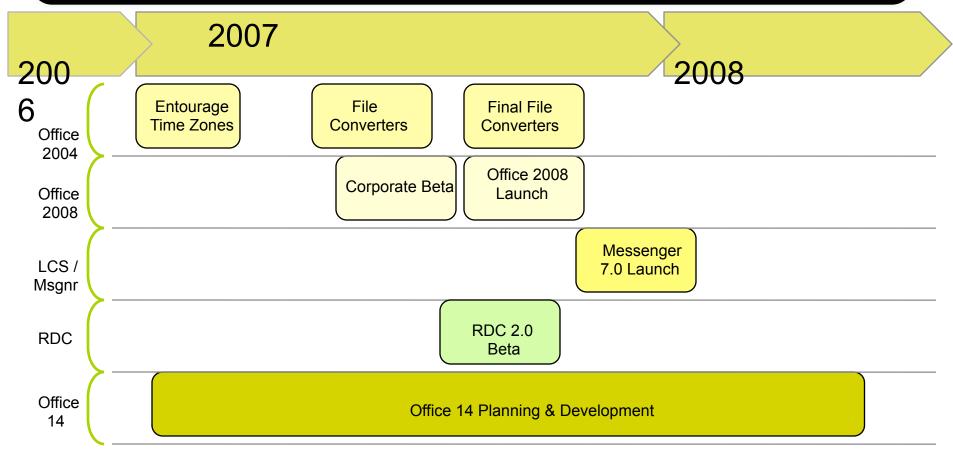


- Exchange 2007
- Live Communication Server
- SharePoint 2007
- Live Meeting
- ASP.NET 2.0



Microsoft Office for Mac Roadmap







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Microsoft Office for Mac Appendix 3: On Line Resources



Microsoft Mac Home Page

http://microsoft.com/mac

Microsoft MacBU Blog

http://blogs.msdn.com/macmojo/

MacTech Magazine

http://www.mactech.com

Entourage Blog

http://blogs.msdn.com/entourage/



Microsoft Office for Mac Appendix 1: Office 2004 for Mac Resource Kit v2



Deployment and installation information for IT Administrators

- Updated summer 2006
- Exchange integration
- Messenger with LCS
- Working with SharePoint and other server products
- Available at: http://www.microsoft.com/mac/resources/
 resources.aspx?pid=resourcekits&rk=office2004



Questions?

