ArtRage: Getting Started

Introduction

ArtRage is an easy-to-use digital drawing and painting application for your computer. All the ATA lab Macs have ArtRage 2.5 Starter Edition pre-installed.

Starting ArtRage

To start ArtRage, just look for ArtRage 2.5 Starter Edition in your Mac's Dock and click on it. The icon looks just like the one on the top left corner of this page.

Using ArtRage

ArtRage 2.5 Starter Edition will show you a welcome screen when it first opens. In the top right corner, look for the word Close with an X, and click it. This will cancel the welcome screen and let you begin using the program right away. The File menu has options to Open, Save, just like other programs you are used to. You should save your artwork to the server when you're done.

The ArtRage Interface

Read below for basics about where to find different features of ArtRage. The numbers correspond with the screenshot at the bottom of the page.

1. Left to right, these buttons will close, minimize, or zoom the current window.
2. The title of your artwork.
3. Upper toolbar: Includes tools to zoom in and out, or undo and redo your changes.
4. Controls the way your different tools or brushes behave.
5. The main canvas where you draw or paint.
6. Select from different types of brushes, pencils, etc., and adjust their thickness.
7. Color palette: Select which color will be used when you draw or paint.
8. Stencils and Tracing allow you to color over shapes and rulers just like you could with a real physical piece of paper.