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Form and Function Releases Wraptures Two; the Second Volume in Texture Library on CD-ROM

San Francisco, CA. (Thursday, December 31, 1992) – Today Form and Function announced the release of Wraptures Two™, the second CD-ROM volume in their library of seamless textures. Like Wraptures One, Wraptures Two contains over 150 seamless tile-able textures in PICT format for use as 3D image maps, presentation backgrounds, and graphic source for DTP, animations, and video productions. Wraptures Two includes textures of the same types as those on the first disc, as well as textures of new types, like "Foods" and "Crystal & Glass". The disc also includes several animated textures and environment maps in QuickTime file format like those found on Form and Function's QuickTime

disc entitled, WraptureReels One™.

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A special feature of the textures in the Wraptures library is that they tile seamlessly which means you can place a texture next to a copy of itself and not detect any seams. This is especially useful when using the textures to "wrap" around an object with 3D rendering software, or to fill or tile an area. "The value of Wraptures is that the user has a large and varied library of images that have been processed to use immediately.", commented Jonathan Gibson, president of Form and Function. "Since we began shipping Wraptures One in August 1991, we have seen several texture libraries come on the market that have images that have just been scanned in and have not been processed so that they tile seamlessly. Our customers quite often comment on the importance of this tiling ability in their 3D renderings and printing projects".

The Wraptures texture library has several other features not seen in other texture libraries. Each texture comes in multiple resolutions ranging from 64 x 64 to 1024 x 512 pixels and in bit depths of 32 and 8. Each texture also comes in a 640 x 480 size for use as presentation backgrounds. Some of the textures have 8-bit gray-scale bump map versions useful for 3d Renderings. Also, each texture comes in either a 2:1 or 1:1 dimension ratio that optimizes use in popular 3D rendering programs.   "By having multiple resolutions, dimension ratios, and bit depths for a single image, the user has increased flexibility and can optimize for his/her rendering power and design criteria. For example,

when rendering a 3D image, you can use the smallest resolution of a texture for objects that are far away, and use the higher resolution version for closeups and flybys.", explained Gibson.

Like Wraptures One, Wraptures Two provides an interactive, electronic flip-chart called the Wraptures Browsers that allows the user to view and peruse the textures as well as copy them to a hard drive. The Wraptures Two Browser has been enhanced with the addition of an interactive chip-chart called a "Click-Chart" that gives the user a miniature, visual reference to all the content on the disc. The Browser also displays a small sample of the texture and how it looks when mapped to several different objects. A section on how to use the textures in 3D mapping and tiling is also included.

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The Wraptures texture library makes full use of System 7.0 features by providing a color picon (picture - icon) of each Wrapture file. An "Aliases Folder" that holds aliases for each of the Wraptures is also included on the disc. Users can move this folder to their own hard drive for quick access to the files on the disc. All Form & Function discs contain On-Location™ file indexes as well.

Form and Function plans on releasing many more volumes of the Wraptures Texture Library. "We are always collecting new textures. We have come up with some unusual and not - so- obvious ones for this

next disc, and we have a lot more beyond that." remarked Gibson.

System Requirements: Color Mac, CD-ROM Drive, 4 MB RAM (needed to run Browser), System 6.07 and greater, QuickTime 1.5

Price: 129.ºº retail

AVAILABILITY: Wraptures Two is available NOW:

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