Autodesk University Opens to Record Setting Numbers

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Industry's Fastest-Growing Developer Conference Delivers More Than 400

Training Classes, Accelerating Adoption of Leading Edge Technology; Improves

User Productivity and Proficiency for Greater Business Value

ORLANDO, Fla., AUTODESK UNIVERSITY, Nov. 28 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Autodesk, Inc. (Nasdaq: ADSK) today announced the commencement of its annual user conference, Autodesk University, in Orlando, Florida. A record number of attendees from around the world will join together for four days of training sessions designed to help users maximize productivity and proficiency using Autodesk solutions. More than seven million people currently use Autodesk software to realize their ideas.

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Featuring Autodesk customers, partners and executives, Autodesk University will provide attendees with key insight into implementing the latest product and technology innovations to solve creative business problems across multiple industries. Autodesk will feature its Chief Executive Officer, Carol Bartz as the keynote speaker on Tuesday, November 29, 2005, with her focus on the power of 3D.

"Our customers are the most imaginative people in the world, so supporting their creativity through our best-in-class software and events like Autodesk University, remains our focus," said Carl Bass, chief operating officer at Autodesk. "Customers have an opportunity to network with peers and Autodesk employees to learn about integrating today's best technologies into their everyday business practices to drive sustainability, success and compliance. In this way, we help ensure our customers' get products to market faster and remain highly competitive, without having to compromise their creativity."

Conference Highlights

Industry Tracks: Customers can choose from 400 multi-level classes and hands-on labs on industry specific tracks. Topics will include best practices, updated trends and challenges faced by global customers. Customers can get updates on general development plans directly from the Autodesk officials.

Networking and Social Events: Autodesk customers can take advantage of multiple opportunities to network and socialize with peers. Special activities will include an Autodesk User Group International (AUGI) event, "Birds of a Feather" networking lunch and a special evening event at Disney MGM Studios.

Exhibit Hall: More than 90 exhibitors with leading-edge tools and services will be on hand at the networking pavilion to answer one-on-one questions. Additionally, technology experts and applications engineers will demonstrate products and share industry insights.

About Autodesk

Autodesk, Inc. is wholly focused on ensuring that great ideas are turned into reality. With over seven million users, Autodesk is the world's leading software and services company for the manufacturing, infrastructure, building, digital media, and wireless data services fields. Autodesk's solutions help customers create, manage, and share their data and digital assets more effectively. As a result, customers turn ideas into competitive advantage by becoming more productive, streamlining project efficiency, and maximizing profits. Founded in 1982, Autodesk is headquartered in San Rafael, California. For additional information about Autodesk, please visit www.autodesk.com.

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