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'Making the Macintosh' documents Apple history

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If you're interested in the history of our favorite computing platform, you'll want to drop by Stanford University's "[Making of the Macintosh: Technology and Culture in Silicon Valley](#)" Web site.

The site is an online project documenting the history of the Mac. It features such intriguing documents as memos tracing the evolution of the Mac mouse; images, such as technical drawings, stills from commercials, notes from user tests; and interviews with members of the Mac development team, technical writers, and founders of user groups.

"The Macintosh stands at a cusp in the history of computing and Silicon Valley: it brought together (and sometimes transformed) a number of technical and conceptual threads in computing that developed in the 1960s and 1970s, but it also was responsible for sparking new movements in computing," reads the introduction to the site. "This project collects and publishes primary material on the Macintosh's development and early reception. It draws on the extensive holdings of the Stanford University Library's Department of Special Collections, the personal papers of engineers and technical writers involved in the Macintosh project, and interviews conducted for the project."

Check it out. (Thanks to MacCentral reader Don Schloeder for the heads-up on this one.)

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