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Artifex CF

BEST PRACTICES



Artifex CF is built for use at small to medium sizes, in print and digital environments. Its Book weight is designed for use in longform text, articles, books, footnotes, and documents, while the thicker weights can double as headlines, subheadlines, and captions. Artifex includes a wide range of language support, including extended Latin, Cyrillic, Greek, and the International Phonetic Alphabet. Also supported are romanization options for Arabic, Pinyin, and Sanskrit, making Artifex an excellent choice for research papers, international reports, and scientific writing.

FOUNDRY	DESIGNER	CLASSIFICATION
Connary Fagen, Inc.	Connary Fagen	Oldstyle

ROOTS



Artifex CF is an original design by Connary Fagen initially created in 2018. His aim was to build on the experience gained from his previous serif typeface projects to design a refined and graceful typeface. Updates and enhancements were released in 2019, 2021 and 2022, greatly expanding language support.

FONT FACTS



- Artifex CF has a sister typeface, Artifex Hand CF, a humanist sans-serif built on the same foundation and with the same focus on legibility.
- The name "Artifex" is Latin for artist or craftsman, chosen to evoke a sense of history and refinement.

FAMILY

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Eight weights of roman designs, each with a complementary italic, for a total of 16 styles.

Fleeting Images

Towards the baroque – the surreal & the symbolic

Babylonian Star Catalogues

Romance

To live between victory and defeat, where a real life and unfold in its own time.

Uncounted Time

LEGIBILITY



Artifex CF was designed for text use, and reads well at small to medium sizes. A low contrast design built with a tall x-height keeps counters open and shapes distinct, even in less than ideal conditions.

DIAGONAL STRESS

AMPLE X-HEIGHT

Typography

CALLIGRAPHIC TOUCHES

LOW-CONTRAST DESIGN

SHORT DESCENDERS

HOW TO SPOT



a Chiseled top stroke on lowercase a

c Hard calligraphic lower stroke on c, e

y Sweeping descender on lowercase y

t Calligraphic stroke on lowercase t tail

ψ Complimentary Greek and Cyrillic glyphs

ALTERNATE CHOICES



Addington CF

Artifex Hand CF

Garamond

Novaletra Serif CF

PERFECT PAIRINGS



Articulat CF

Criteria CF

Greycliff CF

Futura



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