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## MeshLab

The Good	The Bad	The Bottomline
<p>There are quite a few prefab render-objects that you can use. The fact that it got a GNU General Public License. Also the possibility of importing works from other programmes.</p>	<p>It promises more than it offers. At the first glance it seemed to be really userfriendly. But once you start finding your way you find out that it isn't at all. The constant crashing doesn't make it better either.</p>	<p>There's quite a good basis for a well working program. But isn't there where it should be yet.</p>

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## **Specifications**

**The official website of the tool is**

<http://www.meshlab.net/>

**The tool is made by**

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**You can find the official  
documentation on:**

<http://www.meshlab.net/>

**Is there a user forum/ bug tracker/  
issue tracker and if so where?**

<https://stackoverflow.com/questions/tagged/meshlab> <https://github.com/cnr-isti-vclab/meshlab/issues>

**I reviewed version 2016.12 of the  
Software The interface:**

- what is it : application
- what is it for ?image processing, other
- this tool functions : after download and install
- this tool is available for : ALL
- this tool is : Free Speech
- does this tool have a paid version available? no

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## Review

### The user interface:

It seems pretty clear and easy to understand. However once you are busy you find out that especially for beginners it can be quite a challenge to find out how to start a project.

### Tutorials / Instructions:

useful / helpful : 2

clear : 1

quick and easy to understand : 1

### What notable things do other users say about this tool? (either good or bad!)

The intentions are good, but the result is a bloated mess of unfinished filters. I am sad to say that I had a hard time finding a filter that did not cause the program to crash. My impression is that the authors and audience are academics interested in the algorithms, and knowing what to give them, and especially not to give them. Creating robust software for ordinary users has clearly not been a priority. - hrclausen

### Testing the tool (learning by doing — trial and error) What would/could a designer use this tool for?

I'm doubting if it's a tool that is used widely. Especially because there are a lot of other free 3d render programmes. However I understand that it can be quite useful when it comes to preparing 3d works for 3d printing also 3d scanning.

### Depending on what kind of free this tool is, how "free" is this tool really?

Free and open source under the GNU General Public License.

### Please add any additional comments below:

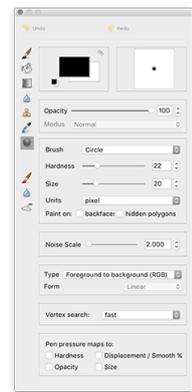
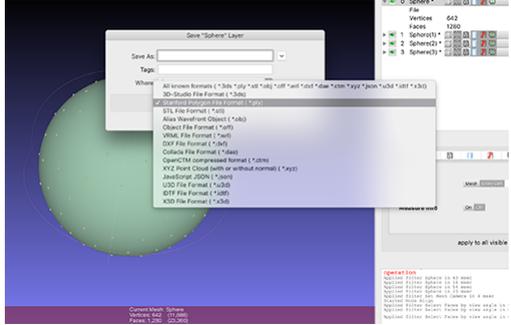
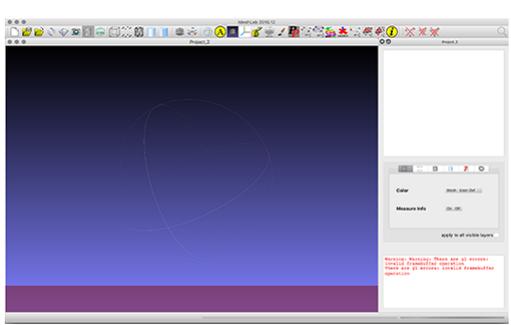
Bit disappointed by the program which I think still got a lot of potential.

**As an official reviewer for the Great Free Graphic Software Review I confirm I have filled in the above review at the best of my abilities, with care, patience and without prior prejudice, so help me Tux.\***

*Pamina, 18/10/2017*

# Images

## Interface



## Testing the tool

