



EMBERGLASS STUDIOS

DraftAtlas 0.7.3

Public Progress Report

What prospective testers can expect from the current product, what improved in the latest hardening work, and what still must be proven before controlled beta expands.

Public scope

This report describes visible capabilities, author control, validation progress, limitations, and next milestones. It intentionally excludes private budgets, sales projections, competitor scoring, internal architecture, and confidential operations.

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1. Progress at a Glance

A capable local-first creative environment is being prepared for controlled Windows testing.

DraftAtlas keeps the manuscript central while approved project knowledge, evidence, maps, editorial review, consultation, recovery, and professional handoff remain connected around it.

Current status

Version 0.7.3 remains in evidence-led hardening. It is publicly visible, but it is not publicly downloadable, purchasable, or tied to a promised release date.

Latest visible improvements

- Asset Library now provides a clearer project-scoped gallery for images, documents, PDFs, audio, video, and bookmarks.
- Project Health better distinguishes repairable search-catalog problems from project-content risk and provides more careful recovery guidance.
- Support reports can be reviewed, redacted, saved locally, delivered directly, and traced by receipt.
- Large project lists, Story Bible results, manuscript outlines, and linked evidence reveal progressively instead of relying on fixed hidden limits.
- Project Bible labels and categories adapt to novels, cookbooks, comics, and lore/RPG work while preserving one author-approval system.

2. What Testers Can Explore

Write, understand, and protect the same project without surrendering source-of-truth control.

Write

- Draft and organize long-form work on a professional manuscript page with formatting, autosave, revisions, focus mode, document structure, and recovery foundations.
- Review Story Details found in prose and decide what should become approved project knowledge. DraftAtlas does not silently create canon.

Understand

- Explore the medium-appropriate Project Bible, backlinks, timelines, search, relationships, visual maps, Editorial Intelligence, and optional Consultation.
- Inspect evidence and distinguish deterministic findings, optional AI interpretation, author notes, and approved knowledge.

Protect and publish

- Create backups, restore points, recovery evidence, diagnostics, privacy-reviewed support reports, and portable project files.
- Export review-ready DOCX, PDF, Markdown, HTML, project archives, and production handoff materials.

Creator authority

The system may discover. The creator decides. Proposals, AI output, and editorial findings do not silently rewrite prose or approved project knowledge.

3. Validation Progress

Current source checks are green; physical-device and real-user evidence still matter.

The August 2 source state completed 897 automated tests with one documented skip. The application and public website also completed their production builds.

What those checks cover

- Project isolation, manuscript behavior, approved knowledge, migration compatibility, search, maps, exports, AI configuration, support reporting, privacy boundaries, and recovery logic.
- Purpose-specific production bundles keep optional editor, renderer, indexing, and language-analysis systems separated rather than forcing one oversized general download.

What automated checks cannot prove alone

- Weeks of ordinary writing on varied hardware, signed-installer reputation, macOS behavior, professional output acceptance, and the support burden of a real cohort.

4. Hardware, AI, and Privacy

Core project work remains local; optional intelligence follows explicit configuration.

- The initial controlled beta is Windows-first and will qualify constrained, mid-level, and stronger systems.
- Writing, Project Bible, deterministic review, search, backup, recovery, and export do not require AI.
- Local Ollama performance depends on available memory, processor/GPU capability, model size, and project context. Weaker machines may use Disabled mode or an explicitly configured cloud provider.
- Projects remain local by default and core use does not require a DraftAtlas account.
- Cloud AI receives scoped project context only through an explicitly configured provider and user-initiated task.
- Support reports exclude manuscript text, notes, images, prompts, and private project context by default and show the author what will be sent.

Beta caution

Keep independent copies of important manuscripts and practice the provided backup and restore workflow. Controlled testing exists to earn trust rather than ask users to assume it.

5. Known Boundaries

DraftAtlas is broad, but current claims remain deliberately narrower than the long-term vision.

- Publisher signing and final clean-machine qualification are not complete.
- macOS remains a separate physical-hardware, signing, notarization, and support lane.
- Local AI depth and speed vary materially by hardware and selected model.
- Imported structure, Story Details, editorial findings, and character reasoning require author review, especially for unusually large or ambiguous projects.
- Publishing outputs are professional review and handoff artifacts, not printer-certified final production files.
- Accessibility, unusual scaling, long-session behavior, and edge-case recovery remain active qualification areas.

6. What Comes Next

Qualification and evidence take priority over adding another major system.

- Freeze and verify an exact Windows candidate with checksums, privacy review, recovery instructions, and known limitations.
- Complete signed-installer, representative-hardware, display-scaling, output, accessibility, and support checks.
- Run a 3-5 person trusted pilot, resolve shared blockers, then expand through focused cohorts only when the evidence supports it.
- Continue public development updates when a verified milestone materially changes capability or tester expectations.

Request access

Prospective testers can review the product direction and request consideration at <https://draftatlas.app/request-access>.

Selection depends on the current medium, hardware, platform, accessibility, and testing needs.

7. Public Principles

The product is becoming visible without weakening its release gates.

- The manuscript remains central.
- Project knowledge evolves with the work.
- Evidence and provenance remain inspectable.
- Deterministic findings and AI interpretations remain distinct.
- AI is optional.
- No prose or approved knowledge is silently rewritten.
- The creator remains the authority over project truth.
- Local-first operation remains a core trust principle.

Operating rule

Do not accelerate unsafe distribution. Accelerate credible visibility, qualified audience formation, and evidence-backed readiness.

Chart your whole project.

One compass. Seven creative paths.