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LulzBot TAZ 4 by Aleph Objects, Inc. awarded "Most Maker Machine" by Make: magazine

Open Source Hardware Enables High Performance 3D Printing and Respects User Freedom

(Loveland, CO., November 18, 2014): *Make*: magazine, producer of the popular Maker Faire events, once again developed test scripts and benchmarks to run the current field of 3D printers through their paces to create the *Ultimate Guide to 3D Printing 2015*.

Make:'s team of 3D testers identified the top performing 3D printers across nine classes, and awarded LulzBot TAZ 4 the "Most Maker Machine." This award comes on the heels of last years review by Make: where the original LulzBot TAZ was awarded the top spot for Best Documentation.

The review explains, "Makers, hackers, engineers, and artists will feel right at home with this machine. The large heated glass build platform, ability to print untethered, and ease of modification will give them everything they are looking for."

According to the Make: 3D printer team, the LulzBot TAZ 4 has "has everything a maker wants," adding that this machine possesses "the excellent print quality and the detailed documentation needed to level up." The LulzBot TAZ 4 price as tested is just \$2,195 USD.

"We are proud that our flagship LulzBot 3D printer won the award for Most Maker Machine," noted Aleph Objects, Inc. CTO Seth Sinnema. "LulzBot 3D printers respect the freedom of every type of maker to get the job done. From engineers at Fortune 500 companies and Ivy League professors to educators and home hobbyists, we are proud to see our high performance machines enabling others to do great things."

A team of 16 recognized experts in the 3D printing field led by Anna Kaziunas France, Make:'s digital fabrication editor, put the printers through a battery of rigorous tests to create side-by-side comparisons of product attributes in order to identify the top performers. A PDF of the *Ultimate 3D Printing Guide 2015* and pre-orders of the print issue can be purchased through makershed.com for \$9.99. The issue will also be available at Barnes and Noble stores and on newsstands next week on November 25.

About Aleph Objects, Inc.

Aleph Objects, Inc. is an Open Source Hardware company that respects your freedom to get the job done. Aleph Objects was founded in January 2011 and is headquartered in Loveland, Colorado, USA, where we make the LulzBot line of desktop 3D printers. LulzBot 3D printers are the first hardware product and only 3D printer to be certified by the Free Software Foundation, they are also in compliance with the Open Source Hardware Association definition. LulzBot 3D printers and accessories are developed as a part of the RepRap 3D printer project. Learn more by visiting LulzBot.com.

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